SMITH, Walter G. Jr.

B: 8 October 1922 Augusta, ME

D: 7 June 2001 Kittery, ME

Hometown: Augusta, Maine

Rank: Sergeant

MOS: 555 - Sheet Metal Worker

Unit: 336th Fighter Squadron

Aircraft:

P-51B-7-NA 43-6765 VF-P

P-51B-10-NA 42-106730 VF-P Reggie's Reply

P-51B-7-NA 43-6573 VF-P *Millie M' Love*

4th Service: 18 June 1943 - 1 August 1945

1 NOV 43 Promoted to Corporal

1 SEP 44 Promoted to Sergeant

Assistant Crew Chief on VF-P

Campaigns: Normandy, Northern France, Ardennes, Rhineland, Central Europe, Air Offensive Europe.

Post 4th Fighter Group:

Remained in the USAF for 28 years, serving in Korea.

Was one of the original eight awarded the rank of Senior Master Sergeant when it was created, and also was among the first to be named Chief Master Sergeant.

Base Sergeant Major at Langley AFB from 1968-71.

Decorations:

Presidential Unit Citation, Good Conduct Medal; European-African-Middle Eastern Service Ribbon (with six bronze stars); World War II Victory Medal.