

SAVELA, Wilho A.

B: 19 November 1912 Boston, MA

D: 15 February 1990 Memphis, TN

Hometown: Boston, Massachusetts

Rank: Corporal

MOS: 931 - Truck Driver, Heavy

Unit: 45th Service Squadron

4th Service: February 1943 – 19 August 1943

23 JUN 43 Promoted to Corporal

19 AUG 43 Transferred to the Headquarters, 1st Bomb Wing. Ultimately served as a waist gunner with the “Hell’s Angels”; the 303rd Bomb Group (H) based at AAF Station 107 in Molesworth. He flew with 359th Bomb Squadron and attained the rank of Staff Sergeant.

Post 4th Fighter Group:

Worked as a carpenter for the Veteran’s Administration Hospital at Rutland Heights, Massachusetts, as well as for Sawyer Lumber Company in Worcester, Massachusetts.

Decorations:

Good Conduct Medal, European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal, World War II Victory Medal.