

# RIMERMAN, Benjamin

B: 1913 Eustis, NE

D: 11 August 1945 Great Dunmow, ENG



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**Hometown:** Omaha, Nebraska

**Rank:** Major

**MOS:** 1055 - Pilot, single engine fighter

**Unit:** 334th Fighter Squadron

#### **Aircraft:**

P-47D-1-RE 42-7956 LH-K

**4th Service:** 21 July 1943 – 29 July 1943

6 missions

On DS (Detached Service) with the 334 for “training and operations with our pilots.”

#### **Victories:**

None

12.5 total (4.5 air/8 ground with 353rd Fighter Group)

#### **Post 4th Fighter Group:**

Attained the rank of Colonel

7/44-4/45 Commanding Officer, 353rd Fighter Group

4/45-5/45 Commanding Officer, 55th Fighter Group

21 MAY 45 Assigned to 3rd Air Division Headquarters as Chief of Staff

11 AUG 45 In transit as a passenger to a 353rd FG party in a two-seat P-51B-1-NA (43-12433, YJ-1) which encountered severe weather and crashed. KIFA.

#### **Decorations:**

Silver Star (OLC), Distinguished Flying Cross (3 OLC), Air Medal (8 OLC), World War II Victory Medal.