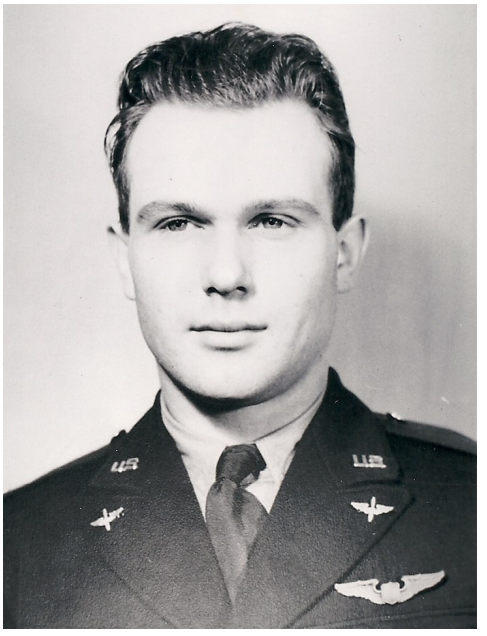
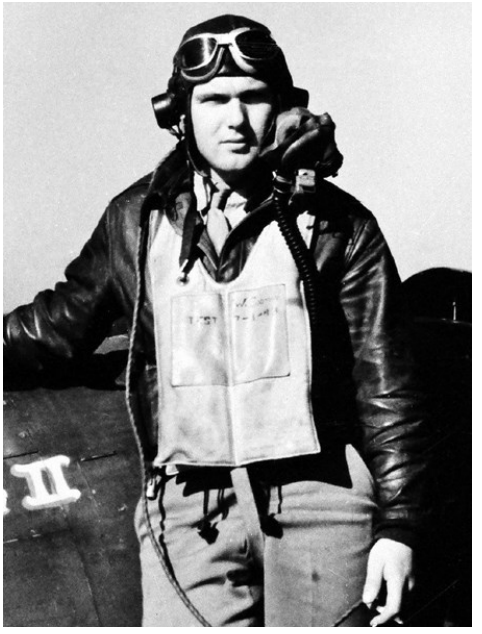
SOOMAN, Woodrow F.

"Woody"

B: 25 January 1920 Nelson, BC, CAN

D: 23 August 1979 Tacoma, WA





Hometown: Republic, Washington

Rank: 1st Lieutenant

MOS: 1055 - Pilot, single engine fighter

Unit: 336th Fighter Squadron

Aircraft:

P-47C-2-RE 41-6192 VF-D ***Lollapoluza***

P-51B-7-NA 43-6936 VF-D

4th Service: February 1943 – 18 March 1944

Promoted to 1st Lieutenant

18 MAR 44 Engine was observed to be streaming glycol on both sides. Declined an escort home, last seen near the German border. POW. (MACR 3382)

Victories:

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Post 4th Fighter Group:

Remained in the USAF, detailed as a recruiter in the late 40s. Served during the Korean War. Retired from the USAF as a Major.

Decorations:

Distinguished Flying Cross, Air Medal (OLC), POW Medal, European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal, World War II Victory Medal.