

THE 380TH BOMB GROUP ASSOCIATION 5th AF - RAAF

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EDITOR'S NOTE

As I sat down to put together this newsletter, I realized that I never got around to putting out an Autumn 2012 issue - I am so sorry because I know so many of you look forward to getting these newsletters.

I retired from Purdue University on December 29, 2011. It seems like the last year has just sped by - I guess it is true what you hear from retirees, that you are just as or even busier once you retire than when you were working full-time! Either that, or I'm a poor time manager (this is probably more like it!).

After the New Orleans reunion (October 31 - November 4) (it was so great to see so many of you there!), my husband (Doug) and I had a week at home before my nieces came to visit for a week, then on November 17 our daughter delivered a healthy baby boy (Peyton Andrew Martin) (a week early) - we went to help them out and ended up spending 3 weeks in Knoxville TN! I had every intention to work on the Autumn newsletter while there, but like the northern birds, they all flew south for the winter!

Then all of a sudden it was Christmas, then New Year's, Valentine's Day, and now it is the end of February 2013 already! So much for my good intentions and I am sorry for all the excuses!

I love this group and want to be able to spend more time answering letters, emails, queries, etc., as well as being more diligent about keeping up with the newsletter and website. And planning this year's reunion, of course!!!

Happy New Year, everyone!

Barb Gotham

PS-I am considering publishing 3 issues per year instead of 4 due to ever-rising postage and printing costs. I want to hear from you on this suggested change, so please send me an email or letter with your thoughts.

2013 REUNION - SEATTLE

The next "Last Hurrah" will be held in Seattle, Washington. Hotel proposals have been received and reviewed and narrowed down to three finalists.

Barb (reunion coordinator) and Doug Gotham will be visiting Seattle in March to select the hotel and dates, and to plan other group tour activities. The final selection should be made by the end of that visit and posted in the next newsletter and on the 380th Reunion webpage.

Reunion dates will depend on which hotel hosts our Reunion. These are the dates under consideration: July 31-August 4, August 7-11, August 14-18, and September 4-8,

Early August is preferred to allow more families to attend before school starts later in August/ September, but the final decision will depend on the venue's amenities and what extras they can offer our group.

Barb will be working with Dexter Baker, his sons (Dexter Jr and Greg) and their wives (Sharon and Crystal) who all live in/near or have connections to the Seattle community.

A major attraction in the Seattle area is the Future of Flight Aviation Center & Boeing Tour - you can explore interactive exhibits and displays in the 28,000-square-foot Aviation Center Gallery. Also offered is a behind the scenes 90-minute tour of the Boeing plant where you can watch 747s, 777s, or 787s being assembled right before your eyes. While in Seattle in March, Barb will be meeting with the Group Events manager there to discuss holding our Memorial Service and a luncheon at the Boeing Center.

Other things to do in Seattle include:
Puget Sound and other waterways cruises, city
tours (including a duck tour and an underground
tour), hike to the 268-foot waterfall at Snoqualmie
Falls, visit the Space Needle, Starbuck's flagship
store, the Seattle Aquarium, zoos, museums,
Chihuly Garden and Glass artwork, ride the Seattle
Center monorail or one of the largest ferris wheels
in North America, and so much more!

Check the next newsletter for more information!

2012 REUNION - THE "FIRST OF THE LAST HURRAHS"

The 2012 380th Reunion (aka "First of the Last Hurrahs") was held at the Holiday Inn Downtown Superdome, New Orleans, October 31 - November 4, 2012.

We had 98 attendees to the 2012 Reunion (largest group in recent years)! It was great that so many of our veterans (17 of them), their families, and friends (both new and old) were able to attend.

Two couples were unable to make it due to Hurricane Sandy: Sam & Miriam Leiner (531st) and Norma & Nick Lamicella (531st) -- we hope all is well with them and hope to see them at the 2013 reunion.

Veterans present were:

- 528th: Dexter Baker (Washington), Bill Brew (Nevada), Joe Brooks (Illinois), Milt Markowitz (Florida), Loyd Oakes (Texas), Russ O'Day (California), Ray Oeth (Indiana)
- 529th: Carl Borgstrom (Wisconsin), Lloyd Fry (Texas)
- 530th: Ed Allen (Louisiana), Wayne Olson (Minnesota), Charles Taylor (Ohio)
- 531st: George Lim Poy (Michigan/Arizona), Ed Walford (Colorado), Joe Wells (Ohio), Ted Williams (Indiana)
- RAAF (529th): Gus Cameron (Stirling, Australia)

Activities included: Swamp Tour, City/Katrina Tour, Memorial Service/Luncheon/Tours at the National World War II Museum, and two dinners (Welcome buffet on Thursday and Banquet on Saturday).

Thanks to the following people for contributing photos from the reunion: *Spencer Rackley IV, Steve Wassner, Ed Walford, Bill Shek, Barb Gotham, and Chris Martinez Photography (group photos).*

Also thanks to everyone in New Orleans who made this reunion such a success, in particular:

- The staff of the Holiday Inn Downtown Superdome
- The staff at the National World War II Museum
- The management, drivers, and tour guides from Alert Transportation/Louisiana Swamp Tours
- The staff of the New Orleans Convention & Visitor's Bureau, particularly Libby Kemp
- The magician and juggler (Thursday dinner) and DJ (Saturday banquet) from Gulf Talent Services Entertainment
- The Biloxi High School JROTC for color guard at the Memorial Service
- Chris Martinez Photography LLC for the group photos on Saturday
- Fact Not Fiction Films for providing THE SHADY LADY film for our private viewing on Saturday
- Eric Ramstead, General Manager, Prytania Theatre, for rental of the theatre for the private showing of THE SHADY LADY documentary
- Airport Shuttle Inc. for providing discounted shuttle service from the airport to the hotel
- Macy's for providing discount coupons

Looking forward to this year's reunion and hope it will be as successful and as well attended as 2012!

















Photos on this page from Barb Gotham



Tom Powers

Doug Gotham



Frank Knafelc, Gus Cameron, **Doris Mitchell**



Marie Anderson



Swamp Tour

Welcome Dinner



Irene Lanners & her daughters



Tour guide Dave

City/Katrina Tour



Wayne Olson, Milt Markowitz Joan Murphy & her family







Ingram

Ted Williams Jr & Victor







Bill Randall & Loyd Oakes



Carol & Ed Allen



Charles Taylor & the Rackleys





Michael O'Day, Russ O'Day,



Saturday Banquet



Gary & Vicky Hulsey





Tom Powers, Frank Knafec



Joe Wells



Gus Cameron & Doris Mitchell



Jill Walford & Bill Kuestner



Museum



Prytania Theatre (Shady Lady film)

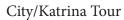
Photos on this page from Ed Walford







Holiday Inn Downtown/ Superdome







Walford Family & tour guide

Carl Borgstrom, Loyd Oakes







Tour guide

Halloween on Bourbon St









Walford Family Barbara Walford

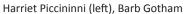
National WW II Museum























Photos on this page from Steve Wassner

Welcome Dinner



Daphne Girod & Karen Hinton



Daphne Girod, Amelia Wassner, Irene Lanners



Joe Wells, Bill Bever, Troy Bever

Troy Bever, Peggy

Vance Baker, Bill Bever



Entertainers & Carl Borgstrom's grandchildren



Ted Williams







Doug & Barb Gotham



Steve & Karen Wassner, Amelia Wassner, Daphne Girod

Lloyd Fry, Gus Cameron, Milt Markowitz



Lloyd Fry & his granddaughter Amy Behrens Brian Jeffries, Pat

Boatwright, Joan Murphy, Carroll Boatwright



& Flora Young



Amy Behrens, Bill Shek, Greg

Baker, Diana Shek

Robert Dick



George Poy,





Ted Williams, Joe Wells, Steve & Stevie Kin



Steve Wassner, Ted Williams



Saturday Banquet



Bob Oeth

Amelia

Ed Walford, Ted Williams, George Poy, Wayne Olson

Joe Wells & Charles Taylor



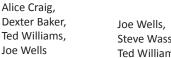
















Seated: Dexter Baker Sr, Lloyd Fry, Carl Borgstrom, Loyd

Oakes, Ray Oeth (with model built by Spencer Rackley - friend of Al Busedu who was unable to attend)

Not pictured: Joe Brooks and Charles Taylor



Photos on this page from Bill Shek

Welcome Dinner





Diana Shek, Crystal Baker, Dexter Baker, Greg Baker



Halloween on Bourbon St



Bill Shek, Carrie Elliott, Richard Dick & Flora Young





Carrie Elliott, Bill Shek, Diana Shek

Memorial Service



Joe Wells & Doug Gotham



Color Guard







Hospitality Suite







Diana Shek



Dexter Baker Sr.

Out and About



Harriet Piccininni & Victor Ingram







Prytania Theatre



Carrie - snack time!



Greg, Crystal, Dexter Baker



George Poy & family



Saturday Banquet

Bakers & Ingrams



Spencer Rackley with the B-24 model he made for Al Busedu

Loyd Oakes & **Gus Cameron**



Kathleen Rackley & Poy family

Photos on this page from Spencer

Rackley

Al Busedu with the model that Spencer made for him (Al was unable to attend)



Gus Cameron



Kathleen Rackley



Ed Walford



Russ O'Day



City/Katrina Tour Attendees

Irene Lanners



Amy Behrens & Lloyd Fry







Steve, Rosalyn & Stevie Kin



Cameron





Charles Taylor & Diana Shek



Beverly Henes



Pat & Carroll Boatwright, Troy Bever













Marie Anderson, Doris Mitchell, Irma Brooks

Joe Brooks, Brian Brooks Erica Kin, Jessie & George Poy

Peggy & Dean Baker







Ed & Carol Allen

Alma & Bill Brew, Rudy Porchivina

Michael O'Day, Russ O'Day, Peggy Vance Baker







Zoe, Alison, Christopher Knafelc

Frank & Janice Knafelc

Jordahl family with Carl Borgstrom









Joe, Irma, Brian Brooks

Linda Wheeden, Steve & Lynn Borgstrom

Bob Oeth, Barb & Doug Gotham

Carl Borgstrom, Terry & Terry Snyder









Robert Dick, Flora Young, Irene Lanners, Carrie Elliott

Bob Oeth & Ray Oeth

Photos on this page from Spencer Rackley

01/29/13

Maj Marvin E Gardner has had some serious health problems this past year. He is now living in an assisted living home, but his address is the same as always. He is doing very well now, just can't live at home by himself.

Thank you Kathleen Gardner Clements (daughter)

Doug Carter <dlcarter@bellsouth.net> 10/18/12

Hello Barbara...My name is Doug Carter. During WW2 my father served as a gunner aboard a B-29 in the 20th Army Air Force. Sadly he passed away last November. As you can imagine I am very appreciative of what our WW2 vets did for our country. Today, I was standing in line to vote where I live in Fayetteville, Georgia. I saw an elderly gentleman wearing a hat embossed "WW2 Army Air Corps Veteran". When he walked by I shook his hand and thanked him for his service. When I asked him where he served, he responded that he was in the Southwest Pacific with the 5th Army Air Force as a flight engineer aboard a B-24 bomber. Unfortunately our conversation was cut short when a staff member of the board of elections instructed me proceed to the voting booth. I would love to able to continue my conversation with this veteran. I searched the Internet, looking for 5th Army Air Force units that flew B-24s in the Southwest Pacific and found the 380 Bomb Group. If possible, could you check your members database to see if any live in Fayette County, Ga? Persons living in the following towns could reside in Fayette County:

Brooks, Fairburn, Fayetteville, Griffin, Hampton, Inman, Jonesboro, Lovejoy, Peachtree City, Sharpsburg, Starrs Mill, Tyrone, Union City, Woolsey

Thank you very much...Doug Carter, Fayetteville, GA

Bob Donley

bdonley@frontiernet.net> 12/26/12

I am in possession of a book "The Flying Circus 380th Bomb Group" "King of the Heavies." This book is special because it is signed "1st Lt. Fredrick J Irving, 530th Bomb Squadron, 380th Bomb Group, South West Pacific Area. 0-785399." In the back in what I believe to be in his own handwriting is a record of his 25 missions, including date, target, flying position (leader or wing), time in the air, and his mission number. As the book refers to different targets he has penciled in his mission number if he was there.

Although this book is quite interesting it is of no value to me. I would like to see it returned to it's rightful owner the Irving family or if this is not possible your organization is welcome to it.

Thanks for your service

Robert Donley Abingdon IL If anyone has information to provide Mr. Carter or Mr. Donley, please let me know Barb

Kara Martinelli <kara@hemlockfilms.com> 01/14/2013

Hi there,

My name is Kara Martinelli and my Grandpa, Richard B. Moore, was in the 530th Bomber Squadron. I wrote a book containing his letters home, last year called "My Very Dearest Anna". Since then, I have heard from the son of one of his crew members, Warren Steppe. I was able to talk with him about his Dad and his time in the 380th. I was wondering if you would know how I could find the rest of his crew or family members. Or if you happen to have any information on the rest of his crew:

Ernest C. Capone - pilot - Hartford, CT
Robert Spencer - gunner - Hartford, CT
Walter Noonan - gunner - Hartford, CT
Bill Angelini - gunner - Fall River, MA
Thornton Avery - radio operator - Cleveland, OH
William H. Daley - co-pilot - Hartford, CT
Donald Randolph - radar - Pittsburgh, PA
George Reed - bombardier - Billings, MT
Alvin C. Welch - navigator - Madison, WI

My email is kara@hemlockfilms.com and my number is 216-712-1446, if any of them would like to get into contact with me.

Also, the website for my book is www.dearestanna.com, there are pictures in the Photos tab of my Grandpa's time in the Pacific with the 380th. If you would like digital copies of any of them for your site or reunion, please let me know and I can send them to you.

Thanks,

Kara Martinelli Producer, Hemlock Films www.hemlockfilms.com

Stadler, Barbara

 stadler@okstate.edu> 10/26/12

We so wanted to attend the Bomb Group Reunion this year as we so enjoyed meeting everyone attending last year in Colorado Springs. But that just cannot happen this year. Maybe next year.

It was especially important for us as Gene [Stadler] passed away June 5 after his brave fight with recurring cancer. You might enjoy and appreciate this story. During the week before he passed, he asked for a shot of whiskey. No one saw a reason not to allow it. I recalled the story he told about lifting a shot glass with others in his crew in memory of those who had already passed away. I am convinced this was his final salute to that time in his life.

We hope to see you next year, as Gene would say, "God willing."

Steve and Barb Stadler

Paul Turner <cathy paul7@bigpond.com> 02/17/2013

Hi, I am a retired RAAF Police Dog Handler. In 1971 a fellow dog handler gave me a small collection of photos of B-24 Liberators just showing their nose art. I can't remember how he came across them. Yesterday I was going through my collection of photos when I remembered them, did a Goggle search on the aircraft nose art, and found they were from the 380th Bomb Group stationed at Darwin here in Australia. I have attached all photos so you may include them in your Association aircraft records if you like.

All the best - Paul Turner















BELTEDAIR@aol.com 02/03/2013

Does anyone have an address or number on Phil Doornbas, commander of Dauntless Dabie?

My wife's uncle (Wallace Johnson) was the flight engineer on his plane and died in the crash, I am a commercial pilot and wish to ask questions of the event. I mailed him [Phil Doornbas] at an address in Wyoming I think and never got an answer. The B-24 was not a good water lander like the Boeings. I served in the 146th MAW.

Uncle Wally was guite a legend in Minnesota, His father, my wife's grandfather Herman Johnson, took it quite hard as he was the only boy in the family, His two sisters, my mother-in-law and her sister, have passed on but Wally's namesake from Aunt Marion was asking me, I found the picture of Dauntless Dabie in my mother-in-law Edith's papers when we had to go through them.

Thank you Jess Meyers Las Vegas, NV

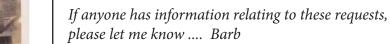
> BRohdes@aol.com 11/1/12

My uncle Tony is in the pix for Ward "Bousfield" group. He served in WWII in Australia and received a medal for his injury. Do you have any information and or other medals for him? He passed away in NYC in the 1980's after a long, happy life.

His full name is Anthony Liberatore.

Any information or pix appreciated. Thanks for your help.

Brohdes@aol.com



Don Dixon

bdixon@cvalley.net> Jan 9, 2013

In doing some end-of-year house cleaning, I came across some old pictures of my dad during the war.

He was in the 530th Squadron and a sheet metal worker on the ground crew.

Clifford Eldon Dixon, # 37375701.

These old photos are of him with some of the planes he serviced.

"Rough Knight" "Atom Smasher" "Puss & Boots" "Li'l D-Icer" "Dotties Double"

The pic of Dad in shirt and jacket is while on leave in Darwin. The other man in the pics is Sgt. Howard Beck.

Thank you for all you do for all the boys in Dad's old unit. Best regards, Don Dixon

















Jess Handorf handorf.jess@gmail.com 12/6/12

First, thank you for having information available on the internet. I have never met my husband's grandpa. I know of him only through family stories. It is wonderful to see information from when he was in the service.

I was wondering if you keep pictures on file. It would be nice to have more pictures of my husband's grandpa, Archibald E. Handorf. I have some pictures scanned into an old computer of Archie when he was in the service with other service members and Gus' Bus. I'm waiting for my husband to fix that computer so I can salvage the pictures saved on it. When he gets it fixed, I can forward pictures to you if you'd like.

I was wondering if family members are welcome at reunions. I'm not sure if there is anyone that knew my husband's grandpa. If there is, it would be a joy to visit with them.

Jessie Handorf 1216 4th Ave. E Menomonie, WI 54751 Phone: 715-309-3866

E-mail: handorf.jess@gmail.com

If anyone has information relating to these requests, please let me know Barb

John Lakey <johnlakey@bigpond.com> 01/18/2013

Barbara,

My late Father, Percival Keith Lakey, passed away on 01st January 2013, However, he preferred to use his middle name Keith, and his American friends nicknamed him 'Gus,' He was a member of the RAAF, who was seconded to the U.S. 5th Air Force, 380th Bomb Group (H) in 1943, and as I understand was sectioned predominately with the 528th Squadron.

As I also stated I have uncovered some Photographs of Dad's time in Northern Australia with the 380th. Also a few of S'sg Silvio (NMI) Potenzone, Gunner 528th, 32465401 (Burns' Crew 13-Gypsy). I can recall my father speaking very warmly of him and I would like to forward them to him or his family if possible.

Further Information for my Father is as follows;

Leading Aircraftman: Percival Keith Lakey

Enlistment # 129143

Service: Royal Australian Air Force Date of Birth: 15th January 1924 Date of Enlistment: 26th April 1943

Locality on Enlistment: Maldon, Victoria, Australia Place of Enlistment: Melbourne, Victoria, Australia

Date of Discharge: 31st January 1946 Posting at Discharge: 1 Aircraft Depot

Warm regards,

John L Lakey Desert Springs N.T. 0870



BEAUTIFUL BETSY gassing up for a mission at Nadzab NG, May 1944

If anyone has information on Mr. Potenzone, please let me or John know Barb

SHADY LADY UPDATE

From: Tristan Loraine <tristan@tristanloraine.

com>

To: William Shek <filmxtra@att.net>

02/13/2013

Subject: Re: Shady Lady

Hi Bill

We hope the "Shady Lady" DVD will be out by the end of March.

Sorry for the delay.

Best wishes

Tristan

HOPI CODE TALKER 2013 EVENT

The Hopi Tribe is planning its second annual Hopi Code Talker Day, for April 23, 2013, at Hopi in Arizona (about 1 hour from Flagstaff, 3-4 hours from Phoenix).

If any members are interested in attending, please contact Barbara Gotham, 380th.ww2@ gmail.com, 765-463-5390, as soon as possible. She would to attend, and is looking for others to join her (veterans, associate members, or family members).

NANTUCKET FLYING CLUB



TO THE NANTUCKET COMMUNITY:

On behalf of the Officers and Board Members of the Nantucket Flying Association (NFA), I'd like to express our pleasure at the outstanding turnout on Thursday, January 24th, at the Dreamland Theater, for the Nantucket premier of Tristan Loraine's aviation documentary, "Shady Lady." Over 80 people, both adults and children, braved the cold weather to not only enjoy a look back at a little-known World War II story, but also to learn about NFA's future plans, including the upcoming Aviation Camp, June 24th June 28th, with details to be on NFA's website on March 1st.

NFA, a non-profit committed to the island's residents, hopes to be the voice of aviation on Nantucket, with a "soon-to-be announced" schedule of well-known speakers and programs – varied, informative and appropriate for young and old alike.

I particularly would like to thank the NFA's Board Members for their support: Carl England, Steven Drabkin, Bob Egan and Bill McGrath – our well-functioning team, just like one sees in a flight squadron. Thanks also to Sikorsky Global Helicopters for donating, to the prize drawing, R/C helicopters which will certainly be enjoyed by the winners. And, many thanks to some special guests: a longtime Nantucketer who was part of a UK-based group that worked on B-24's during WWII and the editor of Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association (AOPA's) newsletter, Steve Schapiro, who will be writing a feature article about NFA for an upcoming issue.

NFA looks forward to involving many interested island residents in our various activities. We encourage everyone to view our website and see pictures of the event: www.ackfly.org; to "like" our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/nantucketflyingassociation and to contact us with questions and offers of assistance via e-mail: ackfly@gmail.com or by phone: 508-221-2429.

Again, the "Shady Lady" screening was a great night, with terrific attendance; most important, it was a great start to 2013 – a year in which the Nantucket Flying Association will, once again, be an integral part of aviation on the island.

Yours Truly, Capt. Chris McLaughlin, President Nantucket Flying Association

380th Bomb Group Association 5th AF – RAAF, World War II

Memorial Service Program

Friday, November 2, 2012, 11:00 AM National World War II Museum, New Orleans, Louisiana

Those who have left us (reported 2011-2012)

528th

Theodore Linkfield Arnheiter, Jr., July 13, 2005

Harry P. Cartwright, August 28, 2007

Leonard A. Castor, February 23, 1979

Joseph W. Dally, April 25, 2012

Richard Arthur Doering, May 10, 2008

Gene A. Halling, January 27, 2012

Thayne Kershaw Hill, August 18, 2009

Walter S. Ingram, Jr., April 12, 1985

Warren L. Jackson, March 3, 2012

William F. Klenn, November 20, 1996

Ella White Kulp (wife of Harry Kulp), 1986

Harry Marvin Kulp, March 30, 1988

Dr. Elmer Ody Mckeehan, March 25, 2002

Maurice V. ("Slim"/"Marty") Powers,

September 1, 2011

Graeme Thomas (son of Edward Grady McDonald),

August 8, 2012

William C. Tiernan, August 6, 2011

Gail Thomas (daughter of Gene Gaddis),

March 25, 2012

Thomas H. Woosley, July 21, 2011

529th

Leland Victor Bangerter, December 31, 2011

William ("Billy") A. Burns, September 23, 2011

Robert Dias, September 11, 2011

William Joseph Grant, February 2, 2012

Russel A. Johnston, June 18, 1966

Howard H. Murphy, July 8, 2003

Frank Oncay, Jr., June 27, 1978

Clifton R. Toepperwein, February 24, 2012

Edward Vincent, March 23, 2012

William Burrell Wyatt, June 1982

530th

Richard H. Ebel, February 8, 2012

Ralph A. ("Fig") Figueroa, August 9, 2011

George N. Leaska, May 22, 2012

Stanley Stephen Rush, May 13, 2012

531st

Forrest Lee Brissey, Jr., February 14, 2012

Doris C. Campbell (widow of John L. Campbell),

September 19, 2011

Mark G. Daugherty, May 29, 2011

Charles W. French, July 5, 1985

Niles L. Grover, August 29, 2011

Joseph R. Kozan, September 14, 2004

Charles W. Mitchell, November 4, 2011

Victor C. Morales, April 30, 2011

Barbara Jane Rafeld (wife of Paul L. Rafeld),

February 29, 2012

Alpheus Reges, October 12, 1982

Vincent ("Jim") Scalese, February 13, 2012

Isabel M. Williams (wife of Theodore J. Williams),

February 24, 2012

GROUP

Jack Neville Michelmore, June 22, 1994 (RAAF) Rex Pooyouma, October 23, 2010 (Hopi Code Talker)

OTHER

Lindsay James Peet, September 26, 2012 (Western Australian historian, researcher of SHADY LADY



TAPS

Day is done, gone the sun, from the lake, from the hill, from the sky. All is well, safely rest, God is nigh.

Thanks and praise for our days 'neath the sun, `neath the stars, 'neath the sky. As we go, this we know God is nigh.



528th - Fleming, Donald L., Aircraft Commander, DOD May 25, 2002, Delhi, New York, reported by his grandson, Wes Fleming (also reported that his grandmother, Donald's wife, passed on July 24, 2012)

RAAF/528th - Lakey, Percival Keith ("Gus"), leading aircraftsman, DOD January 01, 2013, Northern Territory, Australia, reported by his son John Lakey

528th - McDonald, Jean, wife of Edward Grady McDonald, DOD July/August 2012, reported by Jenny Thomas

528th - Thomas, Graeme, son of Edward Grady McDonald, DOD August 8, 2012, Victoria, Australia, reported by his widow, Jenny Thomas

529th - LaLena, Peter, Flight Engineer, Swanson Crew, DOD November 10, 2012, Sound Beach, New York, reported by his widow, Marie LaLena

530th - Stadler, Eugene B., Flight Engineer, DOD June 5, 2012, Rocky River, Ohio, reported by his son, Steve Stadler

531st - Gerards, Jr., George, Bombardier, Smolek Crew (111), DOD February 11, 2013, Cullman, Alabama, reported by his son-in-law, Ed Edmondson

531st - Veitch, Curtis Leon, Gunner, Baptist Crew (87), DOD December 14, 2012, Quitman, Texas, reported by his cousin, Richard O'Brien

Corrections:

528th - Leonard Antle Castor - corrected DOD 2/23/1979, Pangburn, Arkansas, reported by his daughter, Annette Pillow

530th - Floyd F. Crobar - died in Syracuse NY (not San Antonio, TX), DOD 12/14/2002, reported by his granddaughter, Sandra Bodensteiner



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