

Flashback

Luck



1st Lt. Joe R. Hollaway Jr. strikes a casual pose, but his “armrest” was created when a German shell pierced his aircraft’s propeller blade as he flew a sortie over France during World War II. Hairless Joe 2nd—the name of his airplane—should have been called Lucky Joe. The shell hit the widest part of the blade; had it struck closer to the edge, it probably would have shattered the propeller.