

AIR FORCE Magazine's Guide to Aces and Heroes

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Striking a pose in front of Capt. Eddie Rickenbacker's airplane are (l-r) 1st Lt. Joseph Eastman, Capt. James Meissner (8 victories), Rickenbacker (26), 1st Lt. Reed Chambers (7), and 1st Lt. Thorne Taylor (2).

Some Famous US Fighter Firsts

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| May 28, 1918 | First AEF-trained AEF ace: Capt. Edward V. Rickenbacker |
| Dec. 7, 1941 | First AAF victories (WW II at Pearl Harbor): Lts. Harry W. Brown, Philip M. Rasmussen, Lewis M. Sanders, Gordon H. Sterling Jr., Kenneth M. Taylor, George S. Welch |
| Dec. 16, 1941 | First AAF ace (WW II): 1st Lt. Boyd D. Wagner |
| Nov. 8, 1950 | First jet-to-jet victory (Korean War): 1st Lt. Russell J. Brown |
| May 20, 1951 | First USAF ace of the Korean War: Capt. James Jabara |
| Nov. 30, 1951 | First USAF ace of two wars (WW II and Korea): Maj. George A. Davis Jr. (7 in WW II and 14 in Korea) |
| Jan. 2, 1967 | First (and only) USAF ace with victories in WW II and Vietnam: Col. Robin Olds (12 in WW II and 4 in Vietnam) |
| Aug. 28, 1972 | First USAF ace of Vietnam: Capt. Richard S. Ritchie |

By tradition, anyone with five official victory credits is an ace. In compiling this list of aces who flew with the US Air Force and predecessor organizations (the Air Service, Air Corps, and Army Air Forces), *Air Force Magazine* relies on USAF's official accounting of aerial victory credits, which is the responsibility of the Air Force Historical Research Agency, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

Air Force historians have kept the official records of aerial victories by USAF pilots and crew members since 1957. The Office of the Air Force Historian initially published four separate listings—for World War I, World War II, the Korean War, and the Vietnam War. The four volumes were corrected, updated, and combined into one comprehensive volume. AFHRA continues to correct records and updates its online listing (www.maxwell.af.mil/au/afhra).

The criteria that the Air Force established for awarding aerial victory credits varied from war to war, and therefore one cannot make direct comparisons of aces across all wars.

In many cases during World War I, several aviators worked together to down a single aircraft. The Air Service awarded one whole credit to each aviator who contributed to the victory. A single victory could—and often did—result in three or four victory credits.

In World War II and Korea, the criteria were changed. The service divided one credit among all aviators who contributed to destruction of an enemy airplane. With the awarding of fractional credits, a single victory could result in no more than one credit.

The rules were changed again in the Vietnam War. When an F-4 downed an enemy aircraft, USAF would award two full aerial victory credits—one to the frontseater and one to the backseater. As in World War I, a single victory resulted in multiple victory credits.

Thus, the standards for World War II and Korea were more restrictive than those for World War I and Vietnam.



Capt. Eddie Rickenbacker (26)

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| Rickenbacker, Capt. Edward V. | 26 |
| Luke, 2nd Lt. Frank Jr. | 18 |
| Vaughn, 1st Lt. George A. | 13 |
| Kindley, 1st Lt. Field E. | 12 |
| Springs, 1st Lt. Elliott W. | 12 |
| Landis, 1st Lt. Reed G. | 10 |
| Swaab, 1st Lt. Jacques M. | 10 |
| Baer, 1st Lt. Paul P. | 9 |
| Cassady, 1st Lt. Thomas G. | 9 |
| Hamilton, 1st Lt. Lloyd A. | 9 |
| Wright, 1st Lt. Chester E. | 9 |
| Clay, 1st Lt. Henry R. Jr. | 8 |
| Coolidge, Capt. Hamilton | 8 |
| Donaldson, 2nd Lt. John O. | 8 |
| Erwin, 1st Lt. William P. | 8 |
| Hunter, 1st Lt. Frank O'D. | 8 |
| Jones, 2nd Lt. Clinton | 8 |
| Meissner, Capt. James A. | 8 |
| Stenseth, 1st Lt. Martinus | 8 |
| White, 2nd Lt. Wilbert W. | 8 |

In World War I, pilots who shared victories were each given one credit. This list uses the World War I counting rule.

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| Burdick, 2nd Lt. Howard | 7 | Grey, 1st Lt. Charles G. | 5 |
| Chambers, 1st Lt. Reed M. | 7 | Haight, 1st Lt. Edward M. | 5 |
| Cook, 1st Lt. Harvey W. | 7 | Healy, 1st Lt. James A. | 5 |
| Creech, 1st Lt. Jesse O. | 7 | Knowles, 1st Lt. James Jr. | 5 |
| Holden, 1st Lt. Lansing C. | 7 | Larner, 1st Lt. G. DeFreest | 5 |
| Robertson, 1st Lt. Wendel A. | 7 | Luff, 1st Lt. Frederick E. | 5 |
| Rummell, 1st Lt. Leslie J. | 7 | O'Neill, 2nd Lt. Ralph A. | 5 |
| Schoen, 1st Lt. Karl J. | 7 | Owens, 2nd Lt. John S. | 5 |
| Sewall, 1st Lt. Sumner | 7 | Porter, 2nd Lt. Kenneth L. | 5 |
| Beane, 1st Lt. James D. | 6 | Ralston, 1st Lt. Orville A. | 5 |
| Biddle, Capt. Charles J. | 6 | Seerley, 1st Lt. John J. | 5 |
| Brooks, 2nd Lt. Arthur R. | 6 | Strahm, Capt. Victor H. | 5 |
| Campbell, 1st Lt. Douglas | 6 | Todd, 2nd Lt. Robert M. | 5 |
| Curtis, 1st Lt. Edward P. | 6 | Vernam, 1st Lt. Remington D. | 5 |
| Easterbrook, 1st Lt. Arthur E. | 6 | Wehner, 1st Lt. Joseph F. | 5 |
| Guthrie, 1st Lt. Murray K. | 6 | | |
| Hammond, 1st Lt. Leonard C. | 6 | | |
| Hays, 2nd Lt. Frank K. | 6 | | |
| Hudson, 1st Lt. Donald | 6 | | |
| Knotts, 2nd Lt. Howard C. | 6 | | |
| Lindsay, 1st Lt. Robert O. | 6 | | |
| MacArthur, 2nd Lt. John K. | 6 | | |
| Ponder, 2nd Lt. William T. | 6 | | |
| Putnam, 1st Lt. David E. | 6 | | |
| Stovall, 1st Lt. William H. | 6 | | |
| Tobin, 1st Lt. Edgar G. | 6 | | |
| Vasconcells, 1st Lt. Jerry C. | 6 | | |
| Badham, 2nd Lt. William T. | 5 | | |
| Bair, 1st Lt. Hilbert L. | 5 | | |
| Bissell, 1st Lt. Clayton L. | 5 | | |
| Buckley, 1st Lt. Harold R. | 5 | | |
| Cook, 1st Lt. Everett R. | 5 | | |
| D'Olive, 1st Lt. Charles R. | 5 | | |
| Furlow, 1st Lt. George W. | 5 | | |
| George, 1st Lt. Harold H. | 5 | | |



2nd Lt. Frank Luke Jr. (18)

Army Air Forces Aces of World War II



Maj. Richard Bong (40)

Ranks are as of last victory in World War II.

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| Bong, Maj. Richard I. | 40 | Mahurin, Maj. Walker M. | 20.75 |
| McGuire, Maj. Thomas B. Jr. | 38 | Lynch, Lt. Col. Thomas J. | 20 |
| Gabreski, Lt. Col. Francis S. | 28 | Westbrook, Lt. Col. Robert B. | 20 |
| Johnson, Capt. Robert S. | 27 | Gentile, Capt. Don S. | 19.83 |
| MacDonald, Col. Charles H. | 27 | Duncan, Col. Glenn E. | 19.50 |
| Preddy, Maj. George E. | 26.83 | Carson, Capt. Leonard K. | 18.50 |
| Meyer, Lt. Col. John C. | 24 | Eagleston, Maj. Glenn T. | 18.50 |
| Schilling, Col. David C. | 22.50 | Beckham, Maj. Walter C. | 18 |
| Johnson, Lt. Col. Gerald R. | 22 | Green, Maj. Herschel H. | 18 |
| Kearby, Col. Neel E. | 22 | Herbst, Lt. Col. John C. | 18 |
| Robbins, Maj. Jay T. | 22 | Zemke, Lt. Col. Hubert | 17.75 |
| Christensen, Capt. Fred J. | 21.50 | England, Maj. John B. | 17.50 |
| Wetmore, Capt. Ray S. | 21.25 | Beeson, Capt. Duane W. | 17.33 |
| Voll, Capt. John J. | 21 | Thornell, 1st Lt. John F. Jr. | 17.25 |

Army Air Forces Aces of World War II Continued



Maj. Thomas McGuire Jr. (38)

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| Varnell, Capt. James S. Jr. | 17 |
| Johnson, Maj. Gerald W. | 16.50 |
| Godfrey, Capt. John T. | 16.33 |
| Anderson, Capt. Clarence E. Jr. | 16.25 |
| Dunham, Lt. Col. William D. | 16 |
| Harris, Lt. Col. Bill | 16 |
| Welch, Capt. George S. | 16 |
| Beerbower, Capt. Don M. | 15.50 |
| Brown, Maj. Samuel J. | 15.50 |
| Peterson, Capt. Richard A. | 15.50 |
| Whisner, Capt. William T. Jr. | 15.50 |
| Bradley, Lt. Col. Jack T. | 15 |
| Cragg, Maj. Edward | 15 |
| Foy, Maj. Robert W. | 15 |
| Hofer, 2nd Lt. Ralph K. | 15 |
| Homer, Capt. Cyril F. | 15 |
| Landers, Lt. Col. John D. | 14.50 |
| Powers, Capt. Joe H. | 14.50 |
| Brown, Capt. Henry W. | 14.20 |
| Carr, 1st Lt. Bruce W. | 14 |
| Curtis, Maj. Robert C. | 14 |
| Dahlberg, Capt. Kenneth H. | 14 |
| DeHaven, Capt. Robert M. | 14 |
| Emmer, Capt. Wallace N. | 14 |
| Goodson, Maj. James A. | 14 |



Col. Hubert Zemke (17.75)

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| Jeffrey, Lt. Col. Arthur F. | 14 | Hively, Maj. Howard D. | 12 |
| McComas, Lt. Col. Edward O. | 14 | Ladd, Capt. Kenneth G. | 12 |
| Roberts, Capt. Daniel T. Jr. | 14 | Moore, Maj. Robert W. | 12 |
| West, Capt. Richard L. | 14 | Olds, Maj. Robin | 12 |
| Bochkay, Maj. Donald H. | 13.83 | Schreiber, Capt. Leroy A. | 12 |
| Strait, Maj. Donald J. | 13.50 | Skogstad, 1st Lt. Norman C. | 12 |
| Bryan, Capt. Donald S. | 13.33 | Sloan, 1st Lt. William J. | 12 |
| Carpenter, Maj. George | 13.33 | Watkins, Capt. James A. | 12 |
| Brooks, 1st Lt. James L. | 13 | Megura, Capt. Nicholas | 11.83 |
| Hampshire, Capt. John F. Jr. | 13 | Blakeslee, Col. Donald J.M. | 11.50 |
| Head, Capt. Cotesworth B. Jr. | 13 | Conger, Maj. Paul A. | 11.50 |



Capt. Robert Johnson (27) and Lt. Col. Francis Gabreski (28)

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| Holloway, Col. Bruce K. | 13 | Kirla, 1st Lt. John A. | 11.50 |
| Millikan, Capt. Willard W. | 13 | McDonald, Maj. Norman L. | 11.50 |
| Moran, 1st Lt. Glennon T. | 13 | Stewart, Maj. James C. | 11.50 |
| Parker, Capt. Harry A. | 13 | Yeager, Capt. Charles E. | 11.50 |
| Stephens, Maj. Robert W. | 13 | Norley, Maj. Louis H. | 11.33 |
| Williamson, Capt. Felix D. | 13 | Frantz, 1st Lt. Carl M. | 11 |
| Brueland, Maj. Lowell K. | 12.50 | Goebel, Capt. Robert J. | 11 |
| Brown, Maj. Quince L. | 12.33 | Lawler, Capt. John B. | 11 |
| Brezas, 1st Lt. Michael | 12 | Lent, 1st Lt. Francis J. | 11 |
| Chase, Lt. Col. Levi R. | 12 | Leverette, Lt. Col. William L. | 11 |
| East, Capt. Clyde B. | 12 | Loisel, Maj. John S. | 11 |
| Gleason, Capt. George W. | 12 | Lowry, 1st Lt. Wayne L. | 11 |
| | | McCorkle, Col. Charles M. | 11 |
| | | McKennon, Maj. Pierce W. | 11 |
| | | Mitchell, Lt. Col. John W. | 11 |
| | | Molland, Capt. Leland P. | 11 |
| | | Quirk, Capt. Michael J. | 11 |
| | | Riddle, 1st Lt. Robert E. | 11 |
| | | Shubin, 1st Lt. Murray J. | 11 |
| | | Smith, Capt. Cornelius M. Jr. | 11 |
| | | Sparks, 1st Lt. Kenneth C. | 11 |
| | | Turner, Maj. Richard E. | 11 |
| | | O'Connor, Capt. Frank Q. | 10.75 |
| | | Ceuleers, Lt. Col. George F. | 10.50 |
| | | Clark, Lt. Col. James A. Jr. | 10.50 |
| | | Doersch, Capt. George A. | 10.50 |
| | | Halton, Maj. William T. | 10.50 |
| | | Hovde, Maj. William J. | 10.50 |
| | | Littge, Capt. Raymond H. | 10.50 |
| | | Storch, Lt. Col. John A. | 10.50 |
| | | Glover, Maj. Fred W. | 10.33 |
| | | Anderson, 1st Lt. Charles F. | 10 |
| | | Aschenbrener, Capt. Robert W. | 10 |



Maj. Donald Strait (13.50)

Army Air Forces Aces of World War II Continued



Capt. John Godfrey (16.33)

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| Blickenstaff, Lt. Col. Wayne K. | 10 |
| England, Maj. James J. | 10 |
| Giroux, Capt. William K. | 10 |
| Gladych,* SL Michael | 10 |
| Goehausen, Capt. Walter J. Jr. | 10 |
| Harris, Capt. Ernest A. | 10 |
| Lines, 1st Lt. Ted E. | 10 |
| Rankin, 1st Lt. Robert J. | 10 |
| Reynolds, 1st Lt. Andrew J. | 10 |
| Scott, Col. Robert L. Jr. | 10 |
| Stanch, Capt. Paul M. | 10 |
| Summer, Capt. Elliot | 10 |
| Bankey, Capt. Ernest E. Jr. | 9.5 |
| Spencer, 1st Lt. Dale F. | 9.5 |
| Adams, Capt. Fletcher E. | 9 |
| Andrew, Maj. Stephen W. | 9 |
| Banks, Maj. William M. | 9 |
| Beyer, Capt. William R. | 9 |
| Boggs, Capt. Hampton E. | 9 |
| Champlin, Capt. Frederic F. | 9 |
| Collins, Maj. Frank J. | 9 |
| Curdes, 1st Lt. Louis E. | 9 |
| Dahl, Capt. Perry J. | 9 |
| DalGLISH, Maj. James B. | 9 |
| Dunkin, Capt. Richard W. | 9 |
| Emmons, 1st Lt. Eugene H. | 9 |
| Fanning, 1st Lt. Grover E. | 9 |
| Feld, 1st Lt. Sylvan | 9 |
| Fiebelkorn, 1st Lt. Ernest C. | 9 |
| Forster, 1st Lt. Joseph M. | 9 |
| Gallup, Lt. Col. Kenneth W. | 9 |
| Hill, Capt. Allen E. | 9 |
| Hurlbut, Flight Officer Frank D. | 9 |
| Juchheim, Capt. Alwin M. | 9 |
| Kiser, Capt. George E. | 9 |
| Lesicka, 1st Lt. Joseph J. | 9 |
| Meroney, Capt. Virgil K. | 9 |
| Morrill, 1st Lt. Stanley B. | 9 |
| Overfield, 1st Lt. Loyd J. | 9 |
| Paris, Capt. Joel B. III | 9 |
| Roberts, Lt. Col. Eugene P. | 9 |
| Smith, Lt. Col. Meryl M. | 9 |

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| Stewart, Capt. John S. | 9 |
| White, Capt. Robert H. | 9 |
| Wolfe, Capt. Judge E. | 9 |
| Bennett, Capt. Joseph H. | 8.5 |
| Cesky, Capt. Charles J. | 8.5 |
| Dorsch, Capt. Frederick J. Jr. | 8.5 |
| Hayes, Lt. Col. Thomas L. Jr. | 8.5 |
| Hoefker, Capt. John H. | 8.5 |
| Jenkins, 2nd Lt. Otto D. | 8.5 |
| Johnson, 1st Lt. Arthur G. Jr. | 8.5 |
| Luksic, 1st Lt. Carl J. | 8.5 |
| McDowell, 1st Lt. Don | 8.5 |
| McGratten, Capt. Bernard L. | 8.5 |
| Moats, 1st Lt. Sanford K. | 8.5 |
| Schlegel, Capt. Albert L. | 8.5 |
| Ainlay, 1st Lt. John M. | 8 |
| Allen, 1st Lt. David W. | 8 |
| Benz, Maj. Walter G. Jr. | 8 |
| Booth, 1st Lt. Robert J. | 8 |
| Bostwick, Maj. George E. | 8 |
| Broadhead, Maj. Joseph E. | 8 |
| Carroll, 1st Lt. Walter J. Jr. | 8 |
| Cruikshank, Maj. Arthur W. Jr. | 8 |
| Damstrom, 1st Lt. Fernley H. | 8 |
| Douglas, Lt. Col. Paul P. Jr. | 8 |
| Elder, Maj. John L. Jr. | 8 |
| Fiedler, Capt. Arthur C. Jr. | 8 |
| Fowle, 1st Lt. James M. | 8 |
| Gardner, Capt. William A. | 8 |
| Gaunt, Capt. Frank L. | 8 |
| Gerard, Capt. Francis R. | 8 |
| Grosshuesch, Capt. Leroy V. | 8 |
| Harris, Capt. Frederick A. | 8 |
| Hart, 1st Lt. Kenneth F. | 8 |
| Ilfrey, Capt. Jack M. | 8 |
| Jackson, Maj. Michael J. | 8 |
| Jones, Capt. John L. | 8 |
| Kinnard, Lt. Col. Claiborne H. Jr. | 8 |
| Maloney, Capt. Thomas E. | 8 |
| Momyer, Col. William W. | 8 |
| Morehead, 1st Lt. James B. | 8 |
| Novotny, 1st Lt. George P. | 8 |
| O'Neill, 1st Lt. John G. | 8 |
| Paisley, 1st Lt. Melvyn R. | 8 |
| Richardson, Maj. Elmer W. | 8 |
| Roddy, Capt. Edward F. | 8 |



Lt. Col. Boyd Wagner (8)

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| Rowland, Col. Robert R. | 8 |
| Sangermano, 1st Lt. Philip | 8 |
| Schiltz, 1st Lt. Glen D. Jr. | 8 |
| Shaw, 1st Lt. Robert M. | 8 |
| Shomo, Capt. William A. | 8 |
| Smith, Maj. Carroll C. | 8 |
| Stanton, Maj. Arland | 8 |
| Sublett, Capt. John L. | 8 |
| Tapp, Maj. James B. | 8 |
| Tovrea, 1st Lt. Philip E. Jr. | 8 |
| Tyler, Maj. James O. | 8 |
| Vogt, Maj. John W. Jr. | 8 |
| Wagner, Lt. Col. Boyd D. | 8 |
| Warford, Maj. Victor E. | 8 |
| Weaver, Capt. Charles E. | 8 |
| Lang, Capt. Joseph L. | 7.83 |
| Stewart, Lt. Col. Everett W. | 7.83 |
| Bryan, Maj. William E. Jr. | 7.5 |
| Cutler, Capt. Frank A. | 7.5 |
| Davis, Capt. Glendon V. | 7.5 |
| Glenn, Maj. Maxwell H. | 7.5 |
| Karger, 1st Lt. Dale E. | 7.5 |
| Lamb, Maj. George M. | 7.5 |
| Lasko, Capt. Charles W. | 7.5 |
| Lowell, Lt. Col. John H. | 7.5 |



Capt. William Shomo (8)

*Squadron Leader Gladych was Polish and flew in service with American units, but because the Polish government in exile was headquartered in London, Polish pilots had British designations.

Miklajcyk, Capt. Henry J. 7.5
 Righetti, Lt. Col. Elwyn G. 7.5
 Garrison, 1st Lt. Vermont 7.33
 Morris, Capt. James M. 7.33
 Goodnight, 1st Lt. Robert E. 7.25
 Adams, Capt. Burnell W. 7
 Allen, 1st Lt. Calvin D. Jr. 7
 Anderson, 1st Lt. William Y. 7
 Becker, Capt. Robert H. 7
 Blair, Capt. Samuel V. 7
 Browning, Capt. James W. 7
 Carder, 1st Lt. John B. 7
 Chapman, Maj. Philip G. 7
 Cramer, Maj. Darrell S. 7
 Crenshaw, 1st Lt. Claude J. 7
 Davis, 1st Lt. George A. Jr. 7
 Dean, 1st Lt. Zach W. 7
 Duke, Capt. Walter F. 7
 Dunaway, 1st Lt. John S. 7
 Edens, 2nd Lt. Billy G. 7
 Elliot, 1st Lt. Vincent T. 7
 Fisher, Capt. Edwin O. 7
 Fisk, Capt. Jack A. 7
 Franklin, 1st Lt. Dwaine R. 7
 Graham, Lt. Col. Gordon M. 7
 Grant, 1st Lt. Marvin E. 7
 Gregg, 1st Lt. Lee O. 7
 Griffin, Maj. Joseph H. 7
 Hennon, Capt. William J. 7
 Hill, Maj. Frank A. 7
 Hockery, Capt. John J. 7
 Howard, Col. James H. 7
 Jackson, Lt. Col. Willie O. Jr. 7
 Jamison, Capt. Gilbert L. 7
 Jett, Capt. Verl E. 7
 Johnson, Capt. Clarence O. 7
 Keen, 1st Lt. Robert J. 7
 King, Capt. Benjamin H. 7
 Kinsey, 2nd Lt. Claude R. Jr. 7
 Klibbe, 2nd Lt. Frank W. 7
 Kuentzel, 2nd Lt. Ward A. 7
 Lamb, Capt. Robert A. 7
 Lewis, Maj. Warren R. 7
 Lewis, Lt. Col. William H. 7
 Liebers, 2nd Lt. Lawrence P. 7
 Little, 1st Lt. James W. 7
 Lombard, Maj. John D. 7
 Maguire, Capt. William J. 7
 Marshall, Maj. Bert W. Jr. 7
 McLaughlin, Capt. Murray D. 7
 Moore, Maj. John T. 7
 O'Brien, 1st Lt. Gilbert M. 7
 Older, Lt. Col. Charles H. 7
 Pierce, 1st Lt. Joseph F. 7
 Pierce, 1st Lt. Sammy A. 7
 Poindexter, Capt. James N. 7
 Popek, Maj. Edward S. 7
 Purdy, 1st Lt. John E. 7
 Reynolds, 1st Lt. Robert 7
 Rogers, Capt. Felix M. 7
 Ross, Maj. Herbert E. 7
 Sears, 1st Lt. Meldrum L. 7
 Shafer, Lt. Col. Dale E. Jr. 7
 Shipman, 1st Lt. Ernest 7
 Shuler, 1st Lt. Lucien B. 7
 Simmons, 1st Lt. John M. 7
 Smith, Maj. Leslie C. 7
 Smith, 1st Lt. Richard E. 7
 Stone, 2nd Lt. Robert J. 7

Strand, Capt. William H. 7
 Truluck, 1st Lt. John H. 7
 Turner, Lt. Col. William L. 7
 Tyler, 1st Lt. Gerald E. 7
 Vaughn, Maj. Harley C. 7
 Waters, 1st Lt. Edward T. 7
 Wheadon, Capt. Elmer M. 7
 Whittaker, Capt. Roy E. 7
 Wicker, Maj. Samuel J. 7
 Wilkinson, Capt. James W. 7
 Wire, 1st Lt. Calvin C. 7
 Woods, Lt. Col. Sidney S. 7
 Woody, Capt. Robert E. 7
 Zoerb, Capt. Daniel J. 7
 Murphy, Lt. Col. John B. 6.75
 Cummings, Capt. Donald M. 6.5
 Gray, Maj. Rockford V. 6.5
 Hoffman, 1st Lt. James E. Jr. 6.5
 Hubbard, Lt. Col. Mark E. 6.5
 Hunt, 1st Lt. Edward E. 6.5
 Koenig, 1st Lt. Charles W. 6.5
 Kruzel, Lt. Col. Joseph J. 6.5
 Moseley, Capt. Mark L. 6.5
 Rader, 1st Lt. Valentine S. 6.5
 Riley, 1st Lt. Paul S. 6.5
 Welden, 1st Lt. Robert D. 6.25
 Adams, 1st Lt. Charles E. Jr. 6
 Alison, Lt. Col. John R. 6
 Anderson, 1st Lt. Wyman D. 6
 Andrews, 1st Lt. Stanley O. 6
 Baker, 1st Lt. Ellis C. Jr. 6
 Baseler, Lt. Col. Robert L. 6
 Bille, Maj. Henry S. 6
 Blumer, Capt. Laurence E. 6
 Brown, 1st Lt. Harley L. 6
 Brown, Capt. Harry W. 6
 Brown, Capt. Meade M. 6
 Buck, Capt. George T. Jr. 6
 Callaway, Maj. Raymond H. 6
 Campbell, 1st Lt. Richard A. 6
 Candelaria, 1st Lt. Richard G. 6
 Care, Capt. Raymond C. 6
 Carlson, Capt. Kendall E. 6
 Carter, Capt. James R. 6
 Chick, Lt. Col. Lewis W. Jr. 6
 Coffey, Lt. Col. Robert L. Jr. 6
 Collinsworth, Capt. J.D. 6
 Cook, Capt. Walter V. 6



1st Lt. Urban Drew (6)

Crawford, 2nd Lt. Ray 6
 Crim, Maj. Harry C. Jr. 6
 Cundy, 1st Lt. Arthur C. 6
 Czarnecki, 1st Lt. Edward J. 6
 Davis, 1st Lt. Barrie S. 6
 Dean, 2nd Lt. Cecil O. 6
 Degraffenreid, 2nd Lt. Edwin L. 6
 Dent, Capt. Elliott E. Jr. 6
 Dillard, Capt. William J. 6
 Drew, 1st Lt. Urban L. 6
 Drier, Capt. William C. 6
 Eason, 1st Lt. Hoyt A. 6
 Emerson, Capt. Warren S. 6
 Emmert, 1st Lt. Benjamin H. 6
 Evans, Lt. Col. Andrew J. Jr. 6
 Evans, Maj. Roy W. 6
 Everhart, Capt. Lee R. 6
 Fleischer, Capt. Richard H. 6
 Foulis, Capt. William B. Jr. 6
 Froning, 1st Lt. Alfred C. 6
 Gallup, Capt. Charles S. 6
 Goss, Maj. Edmund R. 6
 Gresham, 1st Lt. Billy M. 6
 Gumm, 1st Lt. Charles F. Jr. 6
 Hagerstrom, 1st Lt. James P. 6
 Hall, 1st Lt. George F. 6
 Hanes, 1st Lt. William F. Jr. 6
 Harmeyer, 1st Lt. Raymond F. 6
 Hart, Capt. Cameron M. 6
 Haviland, Capt. Fred R. Jr. 6
 Hill, Col. David L. 6
 Hogg, Capt. Roy B. 6
 Holloway, 1st Lt. James D. 6
 Howard, 1st Lt. Robert L. 6
 Howes, 1st Lt. Bernard H. 6
 Hurd, 1st Lt. Richard F. 6
 Ince, 1st Lt. James C. 6
 Johnston, Lt. Col. Robert D. 6
 Jones, 1st Lt. Cyril W. Jr. 6
 Jordan, Maj. Wallace R. 6
 Karr, Capt. Robert A. 6
 Kemp, 2nd Lt. William T. 6
 Kienholz, 1st Lt. Donald D. 6
 Lane, 1st Lt. John H. 6
 Larson, Maj. Donald A. 6
 Larson, 2nd Lt. Leland A. 6
 Lubner, Capt. Martin W. 6
 Lucas, Capt. Paul W. 6



Col. James Howard (7)

Army Air Forces Aces of World War II Continued



Maj. John Alison (6), Maj. David Hill (6), and Capt. Albert Baumler (5)

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| Lustic, 1st Lt. Stanley J. | 6 |
| McDaniel, 1st Lt. Gordon H. | 6 |
| McGee, Capt. Donald C. | 6 |
| McKeon, Capt. Joseph T. | 6 |
| Meigs, 1st Lt. Henry II | 6 |
| Meuten, 1st Lt. Donald W. | 6 |
| Miller, Capt. Armour C. | 6 |
| Mills, Maj. Henry L. | 6 |
| Mugavero, 1st Lt. James D. | 6 |
| Murphey, Capt. Paul C. Jr. | 6 |
| Murphy, Capt. Alva C. | 6 |
| Ohr, Capt. Fred F. | 6 |
| Olson, Capt. Norman E. | 6 |
| Pietz, 1st Lt. John Jr. | 6 |
| Pissanos, 1st Lt. Spiros N. | 6 |
| Pugh, Capt. John F. | 6 |
| Reed, Capt. William N. | 6 |
| Reeves, 1st Lt. Horace B. | 6 |
| Reeves, 1st Lt. Leonard R. | 6 |
| Roberson, 1st Lt. Arval J. | 6 |
| Scheible, Capt. Wilbur R. | 6 |
| Schildt, 1st Lt. William J. | 6 |
| Schimanski, Capt. Robert G. | 6 |
| Simmons, 1st Lt. William J. | 6 |
| Smith, 1st Lt. John C. | 6 |
| Starck, Capt. Walter E. | 6 |
| Starnes, Capt. James R. | 6 |
| Taylor, Capt. Ralph G. Jr. | 6 |
| Thwaites, Capt. David F. | 6 |
| Turley, 2nd Lt. Grant M. | 6 |
| Vincent, Col. Clinton D. | 6 |
| Wainwright, 2nd Lt. John H. | 6 |
| Walker, 1st Lt. Thomas H. | 6 |
| Wandrey, Capt. Ralph H. | 6 |
| Welch, Capt. Robert E. | 6 |
| Wenige, 1st Lt. Arthur E. | 6 |
| Whalen, 1st Lt. William E. | 6 |
| White, 2nd Lt. Thomas A. | 6 |
| Williams, 1st Lt. James M. | 6 |
| Witt, Capt. Lynn E. Jr. | 6 |
| Wright, Capt. Ellis W. Jr. | 6 |
| Zubarik, 1st Lt. Charles J. | 6 |
| Fortier, Capt. Norman J. | 5.83 |
| Koraleski, Capt. Walter J. Jr. | 5.53 |
| Amoss, 1st Lt. Dudley M. | 5.5 |
| Bickel, 1st Lt. Carl G. | 5.5 |

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| Burdick, 1st Lt. Clinton D. | 5.5 |
| Buttke, Capt. Robert L. | 5.5 |
| Compton, Capt. Gordon B. | 5.5 |
| Edwards, 1st Lt. Edward B. Jr. | 5.5 |
| Gailer, 1st Lt. Frank L. | 5.5 |
| Graham, Capt. Lindol F. | 5.5 |
| Hatala, Capt. Paul R. | 5.5 |
| Heller, Capt. Edwin L. | 5.5 |
| Holmes, 1st Lt. Besby F. | 5.5 |
| Horne, 1st Lt. Francis W. | 5.5 |
| King, 1st Lt. William B. | 5.5 |
| Lampe, 1st Lt. Richard C. | 5.5 |
| Lenfest, Capt. Charles W. | 5.5 |
| Long, Capt. Maurice G. | 5.5 |
| McCauley, 1st Lt. Frank E. | 5.5 |
| Minchew, Capt. Leslie D. | 5.5 |
| O'Brien, Capt. William R. | 5.5 |
| Pascoe, 1st Lt. James J. | 5.5 |
| Pompetti, 1st Lt. Peter E. | 5.5 |
| Ruder, 1st Lt. Leroy A. | 5.5 |
| Shoup, 1st Lt. Robert L. | 5.5 |
| Smith, 1st Lt. Donovan F. | 5.5 |
| Tanner, Capt. William F. | 5.5 |
| Vanden Heuvel, 1st Lt. George R. | 5.5 |
| Waits, 1st Lt. Joe W. | 5.5 |



Col. Clinton Vincent (6)

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| Wang, 1st Lt. Kuang Fu | 5.5 |
| Winks, 1st Lt. Robert P. | 5.5 |
| Biel, 1st Lt. Hipolitus T. | 5.33 |
| Vinson, Capt. Arnold E. | 5.33 |
| Dorris, Maj. Harry W. | 5.25 |
| Miller, 2nd Lt. Thomas F. | 5.25 |
| Thompson, 1st Lt. Robert D. | 5.25 |
| Duffy, Capt. James E. Jr. | 5.2 |
| Abernathy, Capt. Robert W. | 5 |
| Adams, 1st Lt. Robert H. | 5 |
| Ambort, 2nd Lt. Ernest J. | 5 |
| Ammon, 1st Lt. Robert H. | 5 |
| Andersen, 1st Lt. Leslie E. | 5 |
| Anderson, 1st Lt. Richard H. | 5 |
| Arasmith, 1st Lt. Lester L. | 5 |
| Archibald, 1st Lt. David B. | 5 |
| Aron, 1st Lt. William E. | 5 |
| Aust, Capt. Abner M. Jr. | 5 |
| Axtell, 1st Lt. Eugene D. | 5 |
| Baccus, Lt. Col. Donald A. | 5 |
| Bade, 1st Lt. Jack A. | 5 |
| Bank, 1st Lt. Raymond M. | 5 |
| Barber, 1st Lt. Rex T. | 5 |
| Barkey, 1st Lt. Robert M. | 5 |
| Barnes, 1st Lt. Truman S. | 5 |
| Baumler, Capt. Albert J. | 5 |
| Bearden, 2nd Lt. Aaron L. | 5 |
| Beavers, Capt. Edward H. Jr. | 5 |
| Benne, 1st Lt. Louis | 5 |
| Bolyard, Capt. John W. | 5 |
| Bonner, 1st Lt. Stephen J. | 5 |
| Bostrom, 1st Lt. Ernest O. | 5 |
| Bradley, Maj. John L. | 5 |
| Brown, Capt. Gerald | 5 |
| Byrne, 1st Lt. Robert J. | 5 |
| Byrnes, Capt. Robert C. | 5 |
| Castle, 2nd Lt. Nial K. | 5 |
| Chandler, Capt. George T. | 5 |
| Chandler, 1st Lt. Van E. | 5 |
| Cleaveland, 2nd Lt. Arthur B. | 5 |
| Clinger, Capt. Dallas A. | 5 |
| Cloud, Capt. Vivian A. | 5 |
| Cochran, 2nd Lt. Paul R. | 5 |
| Colman, 1st Lt. Philip E. | 5 |
| Comstock, Maj. Harold E. | 5 |
| Condon, Capt. Henry L. II | 5 |
| Coons, Capt. Merle M. | 5 |
| Cox, Capt. Ralph L. | 5 |
| Cranfill, Maj. Niven K. | 5 |
| Cullerton, 1st Lt. William J. | 5 |
| Curton, 1st Lt. Warden D. | 5 |
| Daniell, 1st Lt. J.S. | 5 |
| Daniel, Col. William A. | 5 |
| Davis, Capt. Clayton E. | 5 |
| Day, 1st Lt. William C. Jr. | 5 |
| Deakins, 1st Lt. Richard S. | 5 |
| Della, 1st Lt. George | 5 |
| Dick, Capt. Frederick E. | 5 |
| Dikovitsky, 1st Lt. Michael | 5 |
| Donaldson, 2nd Lt. I.B. Jack | 5 |
| Dregne, Lt. Col. Irwin H. | 5 |
| Dubisher, Maj. Francis E. | 5 |
| Dubois, 1st Lt. Charles H. | 5 |
| Duffy, 2nd Lt. Richard E. | 5 |
| Egan, 1st Lt. Joseph L. Jr. | 5 |
| Elder, Maj. Robert A. | 5 |
| Empey, 1st Lt. James W. | 5 |



Capt. Edwin Heller (5.5)

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| Ernst, 1st Lt. Herman E. | 5 |
| Faxon, 1st Lt. Richard D. | 5 |
| Felts, 1st Lt. Marion C. | 5 |
| Fenex, Capt. James E. Jr. | 5 |
| Fiedler, 1st Lt. William F. Jr. | 5 |
| Fields, Capt. Virgil C. Jr. | 5 |
| Fischette, 1st Lt. Charles R. | 5 |
| Fisher, 1st Lt. Rodney W. | 5 |
| Fisk, Capt. Harry E. | 5 |
| Flack, Capt. Nelson D. Jr. | 5 |
| Ford, Maj. Claude E. | 5 |
| Gardner, Maj. Warner F. | 5 |
| Gerick, 2nd Lt. Steven | 5 |
| Gholson, Capt. Grover D. | 5 |
| Gibb, 1st Lt. Robert D. | 5 |
| Gladen, 1st Lt. Cyrus R. | 5 |
| Goodrich, 1st Lt. Burdett C. | 5 |
| Gordon, Capt. Mathew M. Jr. | 5 |
| Graham, 2nd Lt. Robert F. | 5 |
| Griffith, 1st Lt. Robert C. | 5 |
| Gross, Capt. Clayton K. | 5 |
| Grosvenor, Capt. William Jr. | 5 |
| Gupton, 1st Lt. Cheatham W. | 5 |
| Hammer, 1st Lt. Samuel E. | 5 |
| Hanna, 2nd Lt. Harry T. | 5 |
| Hanseman, 1st Lt. Chris J. | 5 |
| Harris, Capt. Thomas L. | 5 |
| Hartley, Capt. Raymond E. Jr. | 5 |
| Hatch, 2nd Lt. Herbert B. Jr. | 5 |
| Hauver, 1st Lt. Charles D. | 5 |
| Haworth, 1st Lt. Russell C. | 5 |
| Hendricks, Maj. Randall W. | 5 |
| Hill, Maj. James E. | 5 |
| Hiro, Maj. Edwin W. | 5 |
| Hnatio, 1st Lt. Myron M. | 5 |
| Hodges, Capt. William R. | 5 |
| Hoffman, 1st Lt. Cullen J. | 5 |
| House, 1st Lt. A.T. Jr. | 5 |
| Howe, 1st Lt. David W. | 5 |
| Hoyt, Capt. Edward R. | 5 |
| Hunter, Capt. Alvaro J. | 5 |
| Icard, 2nd Lt. Joe W. | 5 |
| Jones, Capt. Curan L. | 5 |
| Jones, Capt. Frank C. | 5 |
| Jones, Capt. Lynn F. | 5 |
| Jones, 2nd Lt. Warren L. | 5 |
| Julian, Maj. William H. | 5 |
| Kennedy, 1st Lt. Daniel | 5 |
| King, Maj. Charles W. | 5 |

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| King, 1st Lt. David L. | 5 |
| Kirby, 1st Lt. Marion F. | 5 |
| Kirkland, 1st Lt. Lenton F. Jr. | 5 |
| Knapp, Capt. Robert H. | 5 |
| Knott, 1st Lt. Carroll S. | 5 |
| Kopsel, 1st Lt. Edward H. | 5 |
| Lathrope, 2nd Lt. Franklin C. | 5 |
| Lazear, 1st Lt. Earl R. Jr. | 5 |
| Lee, 1st Lt. Richard J. | 5 |
| Leikness, Capt. Marlow J. | 5 |
| Lenox, 2nd Lt. Jack Jr. | 5 |
| Liles, Maj. Robert L. | 5 |
| London, Capt. Charles P. | 5 |
| Loving, Capt. George G. Jr. | 5 |
| Lutton, 1st Lt. Lowell C. | 5 |
| Mackay, 2nd Lt. John A. | 5 |
| Magoffin, Col. Morton D. | 5 |
| Mahon, Capt. Keith | 5 |
| Mahony, Lt. Col. Grant | 5 |
| Mankin, Capt. Jack C. | 5 |
| Markham, Capt. Gene E. | 5 |
| Marsh, 1st Lt. Lester C. | 5 |
| Martin, Col. Kenneth R. | 5 |
| Mason, Col. Joe L. | 5 |
| Mathis, 1st Lt. William H. | 5 |
| Mathre, 2nd Lt. Milden E. | 5 |
| Matte, 1st Lt. Joseph Z. | 5 |
| Maxwell, Capt. Chester K. | 5 |
| McArthur, 1st Lt. Paul G. | 5 |
| McArthur, Capt. T.H. | 5 |
| McDonough, Maj. William F. | 5 |
| McElroy, Capt. James N. | 5 |
| McGinn, Lt. Col. John L. | 5 |
| McGuyrt, 1st Lt. John W. Jr. | 5 |
| McMinn, Flight Officer Evan D. | 5 |
| Merritt, Maj. George L. Jr. | 5 |
| Miller, 1st Lt. Everett | 5 |
| Miller, Capt. Joseph E. Jr. | 5 |
| Milliken, 1st Lt. Robert C. | 5 |
| Monk, 1st Lt. Franklin H. | 5 |
| Mooney, 2nd Lt. Raymond P. | 5 |
| Morriss, Capt. Paul V. | 5 |
| Mullhollem, 1st Lt. Robert F. | 5 |
| Myers, 1st Lt. Jennings L. | 5 |
| Myers, Lt. Col. Raymond B. | 5 |
| Nichols, Maj. Franklin A. | 5 |
| Nollmeyer, Maj. Edward M. | 5 |
| Oberhansly, Maj. Jack J. | 5 |
| O'Neill, Capt. Eugene W. | 5 |



Lt. Col. Harrison Thyng (5)

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| O'Neill, 1st Lt. Lawrence F. | 5 |
| Osher, Capt. Ernest K. | 5 |
| Overcash, 1st Lt. Robert J. | 5 |
| Owens, Maj. Joel A. Jr. | 5 |
| Parham, Capt. Forrest F. | 5 |
| Paulk, 2nd Lt. Edsel | 5 |
| Payne, Capt. Carl W. | 5 |
| Perdomo, 1st Lt. Oscar F. | 5 |
| Pool, 1st Lt. Kenneth R. | 5 |
| Porter, 1st Lt. Philip B. | 5 |
| Powers, 2nd Lt. Macarthur | 5 |
| Price, Maj. Jack C. | 5 |
| Priest, 1st Lt. Royce W. | 5 |
| Pryor, Capt. Roger C. | 5 |
| Quigley, Maj. Donald L. | 5 |
| Ray, 1st Lt. C.B. | 5 |
| Reese, 1st Lt. William C. | 5 |
| Ritchie, 1st Lt. Andrew J. | 5 |
| Roberts, Capt. Newell O. | 5 |
| Rose, 1st Lt. Franklin Jr. | 5 |
| Rounds, 1st Lt. Gerald L. | 5 |
| Ruddolph, 1st Lt. Henry S. | 5 |
| Rynne, Capt. William A. | 5 |
| Schank, 1st Lt. Thomas D. | 5 |
| Schriber, Capt. Louis | 5 |
| Schuh, 1st Lt. Duerr H. | 5 |
| Schultz (Shoals), Capt. Robert B. | 5 |
| Sears, 1st Lt. Alexander F. | 5 |
| Seidman, 1st Lt. Robert K. | 5 |
| Smith, Capt. Jack R. | 5 |
| Smith, Capt. Kenneth G. | 5 |
| Smith, 1st Lt. Paul A. | 5 |
| Smith, 1st Lt. Virgil H. | 5 |
| Stangel, Capt. William J. | 5 |
| Stanley, 1st Lt. Morris A. | 5 |
| Suehr, 1st Lt. Richard C. | 5 |
| Sullivan, Capt. Charles P. | 5 |
| Sutcliffe, 1st Lt. Robert C. | 5 |
| Sykes, 1st Lt. William J. | 5 |
| Talbot, Maj. Gilbert F. | 5 |
| Taylor, Col. Oliver B. | 5 |
| Thyng, Lt. Col. Harrison R. | 5 |
| Tierney, 1st Lt. Robert E. | 5 |
| Tilley, 1st Lt. John A. | 5 |
| Tordoff, Capt. Harrison B. | 5 |
| Trafton, 1st Lt. Frederick O. Jr. | 5 |
| Troxell, Capt. Clifton H. | 5 |
| Vaught, Capt. Robert H. | 5 |
| Visscher, 1st Lt. Herman W. | 5 |
| Waggoner, 1st Lt. Horace Q. | 5 |
| Walker, 1st Lt. Walter B. Jr. | 5 |
| Warner, Capt. Jack A. | 5 |
| Warren, Capt. Jack R. | 5 |
| Watson, Maj. Ralph J. | 5 |
| Watts, Capt. Oran S. | 5 |
| Weatherford, 1st Lt. Sidney W. | 5 |
| Webb, Maj. Willard J. | 5 |
| Welch, Capt. Darrell G. | 5 |
| Wesson, 1st Lt. Warren M. | 5 |
| White, 1st Lt. John H. | 5 |
| Wilhelm, Capt. David C. | 5 |
| Wilkins, 2nd Lt. Paul H. | 5 |
| Williams, 1st Lt. Russell D. | 5 |
| Wilson, Capt. William F. | 5 |
| Wire, Maj. Ralph L. | 5 |
| Wiseman, Capt. Lee V. | 5 |
| Wolford, 1st Lt. John L. | 5 |
| Wright, Capt. Max J. | 5 |
| Yaeger, Capt. Robert R. Jr. | 5 |
| York, 1st Lt. Robert M. | 5 |

USAF Aces of the Korean War



Capt. Joseph McConnell Jr. (16)

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| McConnell, Capt. Joseph C. Jr. | 16 |
| Jabara, Maj. James | 15 |
| Fernandez, Capt. Manuel J. Jr. | 14.50 |
| Davis, Maj. George A. Jr. | 14 |
| Baker, Col. Royal N. | 13 |
| Blesse, Maj. Frederick C. | 10 |
| Fischer, Capt. Harold E. | 10 |
| Garrison, Lt. Col. Vermont | 10 |
| Johnson, Col. James K. | 10 |
| Moore, Capt. Lonnie R. | 10 |

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| Parr, Capt. Ralph S. Jr. | 10 |
| Foster, Capt. Cecil G. | 9 |
| Low, 1st Lt. James F. | 9 |
| Hagerstrom, Maj. James P. | 8.50 |
| Risner, Capt. Robinson | 8 |
| Ruddell, Lt. Col. George I. | 8 |
| Buttelmann, 1st Lt. Henry | 7 |
| Jolley, Capt. Clifford D. | 7 |
| Lilley, Capt. Leonard W. | 7 |
| Adams, Maj. Donald E. | 6.50 |
| Gabreski, Col. Francis S. | 6.50 |
| Jones, Lt. Col. George L. | 6.50 |
| Marshall, Maj. Winton W. | 6.50 |
| Kasler, 1st Lt. James H. | 6 |
| Love, Capt. Robert J. | 6 |
| Whisner, Maj. William T. Jr. | 5.50 |
| Baldwin, Col. Robert P. | 5 |
| Becker, Capt. Richard S. | 5 |
| Bettinger, Maj. Stephen L. | 5 |
| Creighton, Maj. Richard D. | 5 |
| Curtin, Capt. Clyde A. | 5 |
| Gibson, Capt. Ralph D. | 5 |
| Kincheloe, Capt. Iven C. Jr. | 5 |
| Latshaw, Capt. Robert T. Jr. | 5 |
| Moore, Capt. Robert H. | 5 |

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| Overton, Capt. Dolphin D. III | 5 |
| Thyng, Col. Harrison R. | 5 |
| Wescott, Maj. William H. | 5 |



Maj. William Whisner Jr. (5.50)

USAF Aces of the Vietnam War

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| DeBellevue, Capt. Charles B. | 6 |
| Feinstein, Capt. Jeffrey S. | 5 |
| Ritchie, Capt. Richard S. | 5 |



Capt. Jeffrey Feinstein (5)



Cpts. Charles DeBellevue (6) and Richard Ritchie (5)

AAF/USAF Aces With Victories in Both World War II and a Later War

| | WW II | Korean/Other | Total |
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| Gabreski, Col. Francis S. | 28 | 6.50 | 34.50 |
| Meyer, Col. John C. | 24 | 2 | 26 |
| Mahurin, Col. Walker M. | 20.75 | 3.50 | 24.25 |
| Davis, Maj. George A. Jr. | 7 | 14 | 21 |
| Whisner, Maj. William T. Jr. | 15.50 | 5.50 | 21 |
| Eagleston, Col. Glenn T. | 18.50 | 2 | 20.50 |
| Garrison, Lt. Col. Vermont | 7.33 | 10 | 17.33 |
| Baker, Col. Royal N. | 3.50 | 13 | 16.50 |
| Jabara, Maj. James | 1.50 | 15 | 16.50 |
| Olds, Col. Robin | 12 | 4 ^a | 16 |
| Mitchell, Col. John W. | 11 | 4 | 15 |
| Brueland, Maj. Lowell K. | 12.50 | 2 | 14.50 |
| Hagerstrom, Maj. James P. | 6 | 8.50 | 14.50 |
| Hovde, Lt. Col. William J. | 10.50 | 1 | 11.50 |
| Johnson, Col. James K. | 1 | 10 | 11 |
| Ruddell, Lt. Col. George I. | 2.50 | 8 | 10.50 |
| Thyng, Col. Harrison R. | 5 | 5 | 10 |
| Colman, Capt. Philip E. | 5 | 4 | 9 |
| Heller, Lt. Col. Edwin L. | 5.50 | 3.50 | 9 |
| Chandler, Maj. Van E. | 5 | 3 | 8 |
| Hockery, Maj. John J. | 7 | 1 | 8 |
| Creighton, Maj. Richard D. | 2 | 5 | 7 |
| Emmert, Lt. Col. Benjamin H. | 6 | 1 | 7 |
| Bettinger, Maj. Stephen L. | 1 | 5 | 6 |
| Visscher, Maj. Herman W. | 5 | 1 | 6 |
| Liles, Capt. Brooks J. | 1 | 4 | 5 |
| Mattson, Capt. Conrad E. | 1 | 4 | 5 |
| Shaeffer, Maj. William F. | 2 | 3 | 5 |

^aOlds's four additional victories came during the Vietnam War.



Lt. Col. John Meyer (26)



Maj. George Davis Jr. (21)

Leading Air Service/AAF/USAF Aces of All Wars

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| Bong, Maj. Richard I. | 40 | WW II |
| McGuire, Maj. Thomas B. Jr. | 38 | WW II |
| Gabreski, Col. Francis S. | 34.50 | WW II, Korea |
| Johnson, Capt. Robert S. | 27 | WW II |
| MacDonald, Col. Charles H. | 27 | WW II |
| Preddy, Maj. George E. | 26.83 | WW II |
| Meyer, Col. John C. | 26 | WW II, Korea |
| Rickenbacker, Capt. Edward V. | 26 ^b | WW I |
| Mahurin, Col. Walker M. | 24.25 | WW II, Korea |
| Schilling, Col. David C. | 22.50 | WW II |
| Johnson, Lt. Col. Gerald R. | 22 | WW II |
| Kearby, Col. Neel E. | 22 | WW II |
| Robbins, Maj. Jay T. | 22 | WW II |
| Christensen, Capt. Fred J. | 21.50 | WW II |
| Wetmore, Capt. Ray S. | 21.25 | WW II |
| Davis, Maj. George A. Jr. | 21 | WW II, Korea |
| Voll, Capt. John J. | 21 | WW II |
| Whisner, Capt. William T. Jr. | 21 | WW II, Korea |
| Eagleston, Col. Glenn T. | 20.50 | WW II, Korea |
| Lynch, Lt. Col. Thomas J. | 20 | WW II |
| Westbrook, Lt. Col. Robert B. | 20 | WW II |
| Gentile, Capt. Don S. | 19.83 | WW II |



Maj. George Preddy (26.83)

^bUnder World War II and Korean War counting rules, Rickenbacker would have been credited with 24.33 victories. The change would not alter his position on this list.

USAF Recipients of the Medal of Honor

Names, Alphabetically by Wars, and Rank at Time of Action

*Living Medal of Honor recipient.

| Names, Alphabetically by Wars, and Rank at Time of Action | Place of Birth | Date of Action | Place of Action |
|---|------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| World War I | | | |
| Bleckley, 2nd Lt. Erwin R. | Wichita, Kan. | Oct. 6, 1918 | Binarville, France |
| Goettler, 1st Lt. Harold E. | Chicago | Oct. 6, 1918 | Binarville, France |
| Luke, 2nd Lt. Frank Jr. | Phoenix | Sept. 29, 1918 | Murvaux, France |
| Rickenbacker, 1st Lt. Edward V. | Columbus, Ohio | Sept. 25, 1918 | Billy, France |
| World War II | | | |
| Baker, Lt. Col. Addison E. | Chicago | Aug. 1, 1943 | Ploesti, Romania |
| Bong, Maj. Richard I. | Superior, Wis. | Oct. 10-Nov. 15, 1944 | Southwest Pacific |
| Carswell, Maj. Horace S. Jr. | Fort Worth, Tex. | Oct. 26, 1944 | South China Sea |
| Castle, Brig. Gen. Frederick W. | Manila, Philippines | Dec. 24, 1944 | Liège, Belgium |
| Cheli, Maj. Ralph | San Francisco | Aug. 18, 1943 | Wewak, New Guinea |
| Craw, Col. Demas T. | Traverse City, Mich. | Nov. 8, 1942 | Port Lyautey, French Morocco |
| Doolittle, Lt. Col. James H. | Alameda, Calif. | April 18, 1942 | Tokyo |
| Erwin, SSgt. Henry E. | Adamsville, Ala. | April 12, 1945 | Koriyama, Japan |
| Femoyer, 2nd Lt. Robert E. | Huntington, W.Va. | Nov. 2, 1944 | Merseburg, Germany |
| Gott, 1st Lt. Donald J. | Arnett, Okla. | Nov. 9, 1944 | Saarbrücken, Germany |
| Hamilton, Maj. Pierpont M. | Tuxedo Park, N.Y. | Nov. 8, 1942 | Port Lyautey, French Morocco |
| Howard, Lt. Col. James H. | Canton, China | Jan. 11, 1944 | Oschersleben, Germany |
| Hughes, 2nd Lt. Lloyd H. | Alexandria, La. | Aug. 1, 1943 | Ploesti, Romania |
| Jerstad, Maj. John L. | Racine, Wis. | Aug. 1, 1943 | Ploesti, Romania |
| Johnson, Col. Leon W. | Columbia, Mo. | Aug. 1, 1943 | Ploesti, Romania |
| Kane, Col. John R. | McGregor, Tex. | Aug. 1, 1943 | Ploesti, Romania |
| Kearby, Col. Neel E. | Wichita Falls, Tex. | Oct. 11, 1943 | Wewak, New Guinea |
| Kingsley, 2nd Lt. David R. | Portland, Ore. | June 23, 1944 | Ploesti, Romania |
| Knight, 1st Lt. Raymond L. | Houston | April 25, 1945 | Po Valley, Italy |
| Lawley, 1st Lt. William R. Jr. | Leeds, Ala. | Feb. 20, 1944 | Leipzig, Germany |
| Lindsey, Capt. Darrell R. | Jefferson, Iowa | Aug. 9, 1944 | Pontoise, France |
| Mathies, Sgt. Archibald | Scotland | Feb. 20, 1944 | Leipzig, Germany |
| Mathis, 1st Lt. Jack W. | San Angelo, Tex. | March 18, 1943 | Veogesack, Germany |
| McGuire, Maj. Thomas B. Jr. | Ridgewood, N.J. | Dec. 25-26, 1944 | Luzon, Philippines |
| Metzger, 2nd Lt. William E. Jr. | Lima, Ohio | Nov. 9, 1944 | Saarbrücken, Germany |
| Michael, 1st Lt. Edward S. | Chicago | April 11, 1944 | Brunswick, Germany |
| Morgan, 2nd Lt. John C. | Vernon, Tex. | July 28, 1943 | Kiel, Germany |
| Pease, Capt. Harl Jr. | Plymouth, N.H. | Aug. 7, 1942 | Rabaul, New Britain |
| Pucket, 1st Lt. Donald D. | Longmont, Colo. | July 9, 1944 | Ploesti, Romania |
| Sarnoski, 2nd Lt. Joseph R. | Simpson, Pa. | June 16, 1943 | Buka, Solomon Islands |
| Shomo, Maj. William A. | Jeannette, Pa. | Jan. 11, 1945 | Luzon, Philippines |
| Smith, Sgt. Maynard H. | Caro, Mich. | May 1, 1943 | St. Nazaire, France |
| Truemper, 2nd Lt. Walter E. | Aurora, Ill. | Feb. 20, 1944 | Leipzig, Germany |
| Vance, Lt. Col. Leon R. Jr. | Enid, Okla. | June 5, 1944 | Wimereaux, France |
| Vosler, TSgt. Forrest L. | Lyndonville, N.Y. | Dec. 20, 1943 | Bremen, Germany |
| Walker, Brig. Gen. Kenneth N. | Cerrillos, N.M. | Jan. 5, 1943 | Rabaul, New Britain |
| Wilkins, Maj. Raymond H. | Portsmouth, Va. | Nov. 2, 1943 | Rabaul, New Britain |
| Zeamer, Maj. Jay Jr.* | Carlisle, Pa. | June 16, 1943 | Buka, Solomon Islands |
| Korea | | | |
| Davis, Maj. George A. Jr. | Dublin, Tex. | Feb. 10, 1952 | Sinuiju, Yalu River, N. Korea |
| Loring, Maj. Charles J. Jr. | Portland, Maine | Nov. 22, 1952 | Sniper Ridge, N. Korea |
| Sebille, Maj. Louis J. | Harbor Beach, Mich. | Aug. 5, 1950 | Hamch'ang, S. Korea |
| Walmsley, Capt. John S. Jr. | Baltimore | Sept. 14, 1951 | Yangdok, N. Korea |
| Vietnam | | | |
| Bennett, Capt. Steven L. | Palestine, Tex. | June 29, 1972 | Quang Tri, S. Vietnam |
| Day, Maj. George E.* | Sioux City, Iowa | Conspicuous gallantry while POW | |
| Dethlefsen, Maj. Merlyn H. | Greenville, Iowa | March 10, 1967 | Thai Nguyen, N. Vietnam |
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