



**Robert
Frederick**

Army Air Corps

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Mar 30, 1924 -

BIRTHPLACE: Salina, Kansas

SOLDIER DETAILS

HIGHEST RANK: Lieutenant

DIVISION: Army Air Corps, 15th Air Force

THEATER OF OPERATION: European

SERVED: Oct 14, 1944 - Oct 25, 1945

HONORED BY: Wife Mary Virginia (Hurt) Frederick

BIOGRAPHY

Bob Frederick was born on March 30, 1924 in Salina, Kansas and graduated from Salina High School. He then went to Colorado University for six months and then to Kansas State before being drafted into active duty in the Army October 14, 1944. He was sent to Camp Callan, CA for training and was then transferred to the Army Air Corps. He was then sent to Galesburg, Illinois for further training. From there, he was transferred to Hondo Air Base, Texas, for flight training, and received the rank of Warrant Officer. It was there that he earned his Navigator Wings. After being trained as a Navigator on the B-24 Bomber, he was sent to Boca Raton Field in Florida. From 'Boca' he and his crew were transferred to Italy. Bob was an aircrew member on B-24 aircraft in campaigns all over Europe including: the North Apennines, PO Valley, Central Europe, and Rhineland. He participated in the raid over the Poleski Oil Fields of Germany. Bob was promoted to Lieutenant while he was in Italy. He received several Air Force Decorations including: Four Battle Stars and the Air Medal. He was also awarded the EAME Ribbon. Bob returned to the United States on June 14, 1945 and received his Honorable Discharge at LAAF in Lincoln, Nebraska. After his military service, Bob returned to Salina, Kansas. There he worked in his family's business 'CW Lynn Abstract & Title Company' until retirement. Bob married Mary Virginia Hurt on October 19, 1946 and they had two daughters: Mary Lynn Fredrick and Martha Laura (Frederick) Hanzlicek.