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Kenneth E Foster

MILITARY



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SERVICE

Units served with



8th Air Force

Eighth Air Force Bomber Command became the Eighth Air Force on February 1944, it oversaw bombardment of strategic targets in Europe until 1945. ...





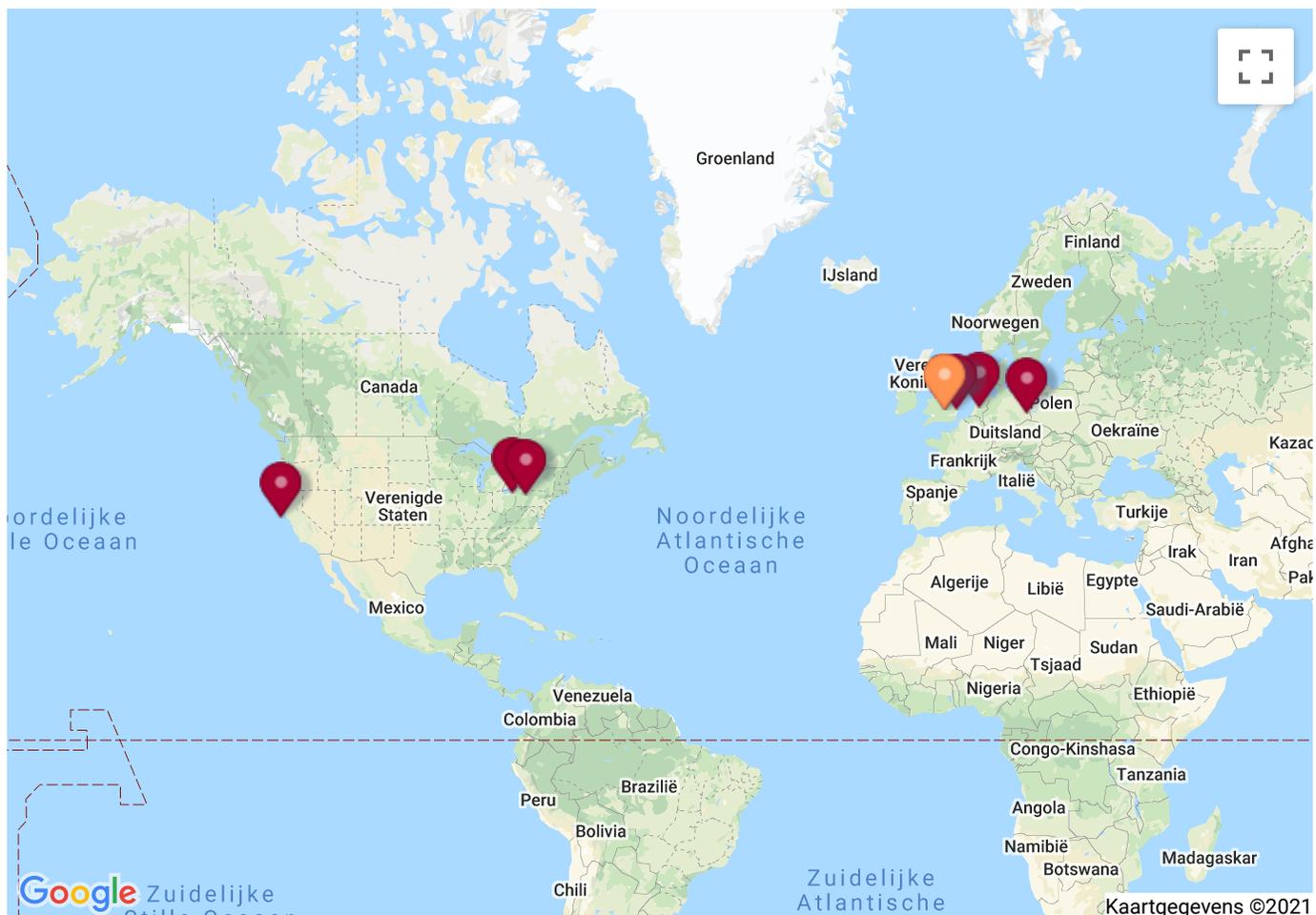
334th Fighter Squadron

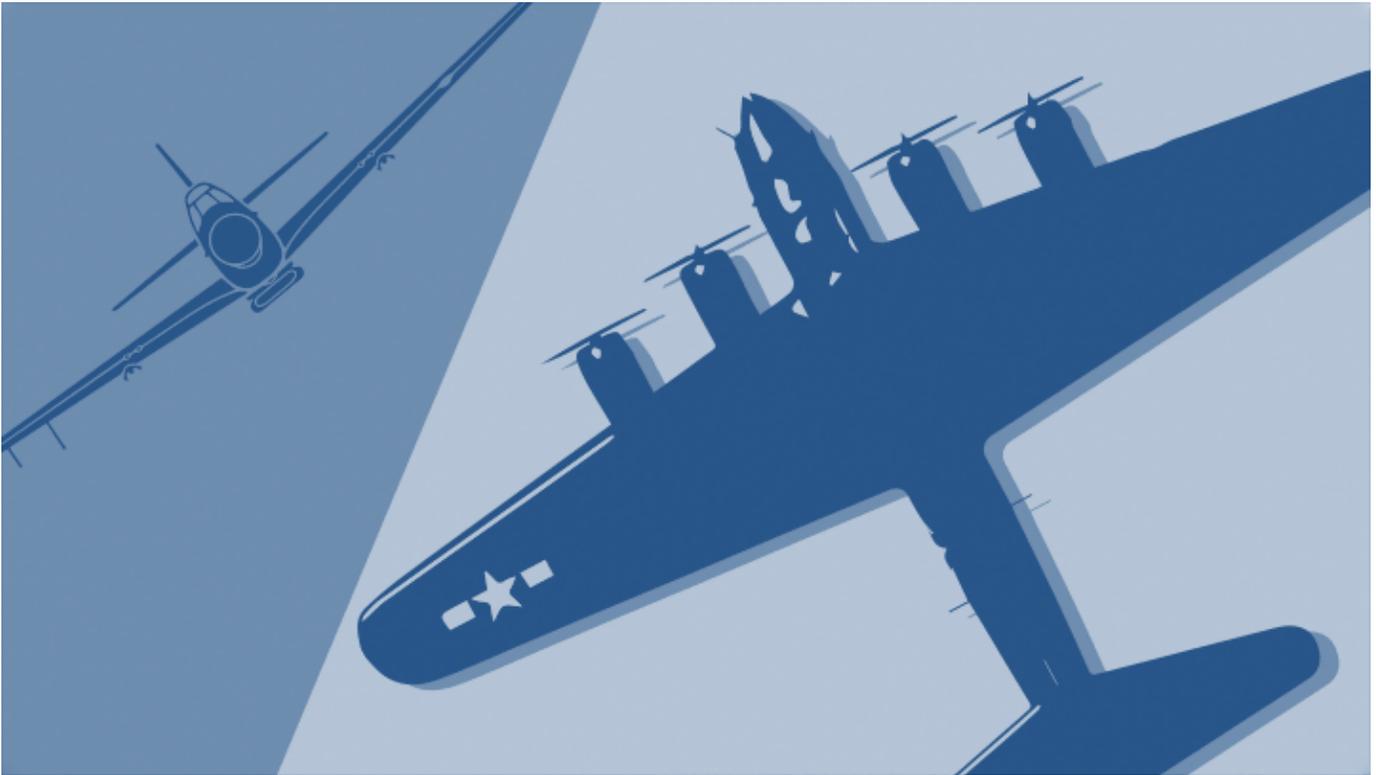
SQUADRON

The 334th Fighter Squadron was the successor to No. 71 Eagle squadron of the Royal Air Force when the 4th Fighter Group was activated on 12 September 1942. They were based at Debden Field, Essex. The "Fighting Eagles" as they were called, flew...

Aircraft

EVENTS





44-11336 'Buffalo Bertie'

P-51 MUSTANG

Assigned 334FS, 4FG, 8AF USAAF. Suffered engine failure, crashed near Hengelo, Holland on 31-Mar-45, pilot F/O Kenneth E Foster captured before reaching friendly territory. POW. MACR 13945.

Associated Place





Debden

MILITARY SITE : AIRFIELD

RAF Debden, construction of which began in 1935, is perhaps most famous as a Battle of Britain fighter airfield, partly responsible for the defence of London in 1940. In 1942 it was also home to three RAF 'Eagle Squadrons' of volunteer American pilots...

Event	Location	Date
Born	Pennsylvania, USA	5 September 1916
Lived in	Oil City, Pennsylvania, USA	1940
Assigned	Debden, Saffron Walden, Essex CB11, UK	7 September 1944 – 31 March 1945
Assigned to 334FS, 4FG, 8AF USAAF.		
Crashed	North Sea	7 October 1944
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Prisoner Of War (POW)	Zagan, Poland	31 March 1945 – 1945
Prisoner Of War (POW).		
Crashed	Hengelo, Netherlands	31 March 1945
Crashed near Hengelo, Holland on 31-Mar-45 in P-51 'Buffalo Bertie' 44-11336 POW. MACR 13945.		
Died	Marin County, CA, USA	7 September 1977

Nationality

American

Nickname

Not yet known

Service numbers

O-2000273, T-223645

Highest rank

Second Lieutenant

Role/job

Fighter Pilot

Awards

Air Medal with 5 oak leaf clusters (1 silver oak leaf cluster)

European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal

Prisoner of War Medal

World War II Victory Medal

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