

BIOGRAPHY

HARRY T. STEWART, JR.

Harry Stewart grew up in New York City, where, during World War II, he enlisted in the US Army Air Corps as an Aviation Cadet. After completing his flight training at Tuskegee Army Air Field, Alabama, and while still a teenager, he was awarded his pilots wings and commissioned a 2nd Lieutenant. Harry then took combat fighter training in both the P-40 and P-47 type fighter aircraft, after which, he was sent overseas and assigned to the 332nd Fighter Group in Italy, where he flew 43 bomber escort missions in the P-51 Mustang.

When the war ended, Harry returned to the States and continued his duties as a fighter pilot until his eventual discharge from the service in 1950.

Harry was credited with destroying three enemy aircraft in aerial combat and was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross. He further distinguished himself as a member of the winning team in the 1949 USAF Gunnery Meet, popularly known as the Air Force version of "top gun".

Upon his discharge from the Air Force, Harry returned to New York City, attended New York University, and was eventually awarded the degree of Bachelor of Mechanical Engineering. In his civilian capacity, Harry maintained his Air Force Reserve affiliation and subsequently retired with the rank of Lt. Colonel. Additionally, in his civilian capacity, he retired as vice president of ANR Pipeline Company, a major interstate natural gas consortium, formerly headquartered in Detroit.

Harry currently holds a commercial pilots certificate in aeroplane, glider and helicopter. He still enjoys flying and frequently flies neighborhood youngsters in a Schweizer motor glider under sponsorship of the "Young Eagles" program.

Harry resides in Bloomfield Hills with his spouse of 61 years, Delphine. They have a daughter, Lori, who resides in Pacific Palisades, California.