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DALE ORVILLE SMITH
MAJOR GENERAL, U. S. AIR FORCE
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Dale Smith was born in Reno, Nevada. He graduated from West Point in 1934 and from the U. S. Army Air Corps flying school in 1935. He commanded the 384th Bomber Group in combat from England in 1943 and 1944. He was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross, Air Medal, and French Croix de Guerre. He served in numerous staff, school, and command assignments after the war including the National Security Council, Chief of the U.S. Military Training Mission to Saudi Arabia, Commander of the 313th Air Division in Okinawa, and with the Joint Chiefs of Staff. Smith retired in July 1964. He then was the Executive Director of the Air Force Historical Foundation and wrote extensively on aeronautical subjects. He and his wife, Virginia, raised a son, Dale O., Jr.

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