



Man's Flight

Through Life Is

Sustained By The

Power Of His

Knowledge

TO HONOR

WILSON V. EDWARDS

LIEUTENANT COLONEL, UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

Wilson "Bill" Edwards joined the Royal Air Force in late 1940 and in October 1941 became a member of the newly formed Number 133 Eagle Squadron as a Spitfire pilot. In September 1942 he transferred to the US Army Air Forces and served in a number of capacities until he was shot down in his P-51 on 13 July 1944 while leading the 336th Fighter Squadron. He spent the remainder of the war in Stalag Luft I. Colonel Edwards remained in the Air Force after World War II, retiring in 1968. He continued to fly both for business and as an instructor. He taught over 200 people to fly, many of them Air Force Academy cadets. In 2001 Colonel Edwards was inducted into the Colorado Aviation Hall of Fame because of his life-long impact on aviation.

Combat Leader, Renowned Airman, Inspirational Teacher

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