



*Man's Flight
Through Life Is
Sustained By The
Power Of His
Knowledge*

TO HONOR

LEWIS E. LYLE

MAJOR GENERAL, UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

Major General Lewis E. Lyle entered the US Army in 1938 with a Reserve officer commission as a second lieutenant of infantry. He received his pilot's wings three years later after successfully completing the Aviation Cadet program. Assigned to the European Theater of Operations, he flew sixty-nine combat missions in B-17s, logged a total of 510 combat hours, and received numerous decorations for bravery and merit. Following the war, he held numerous command and staff positions in Strategic Air Command, to include appointments as commander of the 4th Air Division and the 818th Strategic Aerospace Division. After retiring from active duty in 1967, he played a leading role in the creation of the Mighty Eighth Air Force Museum. Committed to memorializing the service and sacrifice of his wartime comrades, he was deeply involved in the museum's development and served as a long-time member of its executive board. General Lyle died on 6 April 2008.

Valiant Airman and Inspiring Leader

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