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JAMES R. FORRESTER

LIEUTENANT COLONEL, U. S. AIR FORCE

James Forrester finished high school in Tampa, Florida. He enlisted in the U. S. Army Air Corps in 1939, was trained as an airplane mechanic, and assigned to the 3rd Bomb Group. The Group was equipped with the B-25 aircraft and went to the Southwest Pacific in 1942. The 13th Squadron, in which he was a supervisor of aircraft maintenance, flew missions against the Japanese-held bases in New Guinea earning three unit citations. He was commissioned through officer training school in Australia, returned to the States in 1944, and finished his college education. He returned to active duty and served in aircraft procurement, retiring as a lieutenant colonel in 1966. In 1992, as President of the 5th Air Force Memorial Foundation, he dedicated a memorial wall at the Air Force Academy to honor 5th Air Force veterans of World War II.

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