



TO HONOR

JOHN DORTCH LEWIS

1916 - 1999

John Lewis was raised in Goldsboro, North Carolina. He volunteered to fly and fight for Britain before the United States entered the war and transferred to the U. S. Army Air Forces while in England in September 1942. He flew to North Africa as a member of a P-39 fighter group in January of 1943 and was shot down attacking the airdrome at Sidi Bou Sed. He evaded capture for one day and eventually was sent by Germans as a POW to Stalag Luft III. He made several efforts to escape but each time was re-captured until, in late March, 1945, he successfully escaped from Stalag VIIA at Moosberg in Bavaria and he was over-run by American Forces and freed.

By the Family of John Dortch Lewis