

Guide to Aces

Some Famous Firsts

May 28, 1918	First AEF-trained AEF ace: Capt. Edward V. Rickenbacker
Dec. 7, 1941	First AAF victories of World War II (Pearl Harbor): Lts. Harry W. Brown, Philip M. Rasmussen, Lewis M. Sanders, Gordon H. Sterling Jr., Kenneth M. Taylor, George S. Welch
Dec. 16, 1941	First AAF ace of World War II: 1st Lt. Boyd D. Wagner
Nov. 8, 1950	First jet-to-jet victory (Korean War): 1st Lt. Russell J. Brown
May 20, 1951	First USAF ace of the Korean War: Capt. James Jabara
Nov. 30, 1951	First USAF ace of two wars (World War II and Korea): Maj. George A. Davis Jr. (seven in World War II and 14 in Korea)
Jan. 2, 1967	First (and only) USAF ace with victories in World War II and Vietnam: Col. Robin Olds (12 in World War II and four in Vietnam)
Aug. 28, 1972	First USAF ace of Vietnam: Capt. Richard S. Ritchie



Left: James Jabara, the first USAF ace of the Korean War. Jabara scored 15 victories before the end of the war.

Right: Robin Olds is the only USAF ace with aerial victories in both World War II and the Vietnam War.



By tradition, anyone with five official aerial victory credits is an ace. In compiling this list of aces who flew with the US Air Force and predecessor organizations (the Air Service, Air Corps, and Army Air Forces), *Air Force Magazine* relies on USAF's official accounting of air-to-air aerial victory credits, which is the responsibility of the Air Force Historical Research Agency, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

This record does not include some 300 pilots credited by Eighth Air Force in World War II with destroying aircraft on the ground. Eighth was the only numbered air force to count ground kills, and the Air Force subsequently limited its official recognition of World War II aces to air-to-air victories.

Air Force historians have kept the official records of aerial victories by USAF pilots and crew members since 1957. The Office of the Air Force Historian initially published four separate listings—for World War I, World War II, the Korean War, and the Vietnam War. The four volumes were corrected, updated, and combined into one comprehensive volume. AFHRA continues to correct records and updates its online listing (<http://www.afhra.af.mil>).

The criteria that the Air Force established for awarding aerial victory credits varied from war to war, and therefore one cannot make direct comparisons of aces across all wars.

In many cases during World War I, several aviators worked together to down a single aircraft. The Air Service awarded one whole credit to each aviator who contributed to the victory. A single victory could—and often did—result in three or four victory credits.

In World War II and Korea, the criteria were changed. The service divided one credit among all aviators who contributed to destruction of an enemy airplane. With the awarding of fractional credits, a single victory could result in no more than one credit.

The rules were changed again in the Vietnam War. When an F-4 downed an enemy aircraft, USAF would award two full aerial victory credits—one to the frontseater and one to the backseater. As in World War I, a single victory resulted in multiple victory credits.

Thus, the standards for World War II and Korea were more restrictive than those for World War I and Vietnam.

American Aces of World War I



Eddie Rickenbacker (26)

Rickenbacker, Capt. Edward V.	26
Luke, 2nd Lt. Frank Jr.	18
Vaughn, 1st Lt. George A.	13
Kindley, 1st Lt. Field E.	12
Springs, 1st Lt. Elliott W.	12
Landis, 1st Lt. Reed G.	10
Swaab, 1st Lt. Jacques M.	10
Baer, 1st Lt. Paul P.	9
Cassady, 1st Lt. Thomas G.	9
Hamilton, 1st Lt. Lloyd A.	9
Wright, 1st Lt. Chester E.	9
Clay, 1st Lt. Henry R. Jr.	8
Coolidge, Capt. Hamilton	8
Donaldson, 2nd Lt. John O.	8
Erwin, 1st Lt. William P.	8
Hunter, 1st Lt. Frank O'D.	8
Jones, 2nd Lt. Clinton	8
Meissner, Capt. James A.	8
Stenseth, 1st Lt. Martinus	8
White, 2nd Lt. Wilbert W.	8
Burdick, 2nd Lt. Howard	7

In World War I, pilots who shared victories were each given one credit. This list uses the World War I counting rule.

Chambers, 1st Lt. Reed M.	7	Keating, 1st Lt. James A.	5
Cook, 1st Lt. Harvey W.	7	Knowles, 1st Lt. James Jr.	5
Creech, 1st Lt. Jesse O.	7	Larner, 1st Lt. G. DeFreest	5
Holden, 1st Lt. Lansing C.	7	Luff, 1st Lt. Frederick E.	5
Robertson, 1st Lt. Wendel A.	7	O'Neill, 2nd Lt. Ralph A.	5
Rummell, 1st Lt. Leslie J.	7	Owens, 2nd Lt. John S.	5
Schoen, 1st Lt. Karl J.	7	Porter, 2nd Lt. Kenneth L.	5
Sewall, 1st Lt. Sumner	7	Ralston, 1st Lt. Orville A.	5
Beane, 1st Lt. James D.	6	Seerley, 1st Lt. John J.	5
Biddle, Capt. Charles J.	6	Strahm, Capt. Victor H.	5
Brooks, 2nd Lt. Arthur R.	6	Todd, 2nd Lt. Robert M.	5
Campbell, 1st Lt. Douglas	6	Vernam, 1st Lt. Remington D. B.	5
Curtis, 1st Lt. Edward P.	6	Wehner, 1st Lt. Joseph F.	5
Easterbrook, 1st Lt. Arthur E.	6		
Guthrie, 1st Lt. Murray K.	6		
Hammond, 1st Lt. Leonard C.	6		
Hays, 2nd Lt. Frank K.	6		
Hudson, 1st Lt. Donald	6		
Knotts, 2nd Lt. Howard C.	6		
Lindsay, 1st Lt. Robert O.	6		
MacArthur, 2nd Lt. John K.	6		
Ponder, 2nd Lt. William T.	6		
Putnam, 1st Lt. David E.	6		
Stovall, 1st Lt. William H.	6		
Tobin, 1st Lt. Edgar G.	6		
Vasconcells, 1st Lt. Jerry C.	6		
Badham, 2nd Lt. William T.	5		
Bair, 1st Lt. Hilbert L.	5		
Bissell, 1st Lt. Clayton L.	5		
Buckley, 1st Lt. Harold R.	5		
Cook, 1st Lt. Everett R.	5		
D'Olive, 1st Lt. Charles R.	5		
Furlow, 1st Lt. George W.	5		
George, 1st Lt. Harold H.	5		
Grey, 1st Lt. Charles G.	5		
Haight, 1st Lt. Edward M.	5		
Healy, 1st Lt. James A.	5		



Douglas Campbell (6)

Army Air Forces Aces of World War II



Charles MacDonald (27)

Ranks are as of last victory in World War II.

Bong, Maj. Richard I.	40	Lynch, Lt. Col. Thomas J.	20
McGuire, Maj. Thomas B. Jr.	38	Westbrook, Lt. Col. Robert B.	20
Gabreski, Lt. Col. Francis S.	28	Gentile, Capt. Don S.	19.83
Johnson, Capt. Robert S.	27	Duncan, Col. Glenn E.	19.50
MacDonald, Col. Charles H.	27	Carson, Capt. Leonard K.	18.50
Preddy, Maj. George E.	26.83	Eagleston, Maj. Glenn T.	18.50
Meyer, Lt. Col. John C.	24	Beckham, Maj. Walter C.	18
Schilling, Col. David C.	22.50	Green, Maj. Herschel H.	18
Johnson, Lt. Col. Gerald R.	22	Herbst, Lt. Col. John C.	18
Kearby, Col. Neel E.	22	Zemke, Col. Hubert	17.75
Robbins, Maj. Jay T.	22	England, Maj. John B.	17.50
Christensen, Capt. Fred J.	21.50	Beeson, Capt. Duane W.	17.33
Wetmore, Capt. Ray S.	21.25	Thornell, 1st Lt. John F. Jr.	17.25
Voll, Capt. John J.	21	Varnell, Capt. James S. Jr.	17
Mahurin, Maj. Walker M.	20.75	Johnson, Maj. Gerald W.	16.50



Thomas McGuire Jr. (38)

Godfrey, Capt. John T.	16.33
Anderson, Capt. Clarence E. Jr.	16.25
Dunham, Lt. Col. William D.	16
Harris, Lt. Col. Bill	16
Welch, Capt. George S.	16
Beerbower, Capt. Don M.	15.50
Brown, Maj. Samuel J.	15.50
Peterson, Capt. Richard A.	15.50
Whisner, Capt. William T. Jr.	15.50
Bradley, Lt. Col. Jack T.	15
Cragg, Maj. Edward	15
Dahlberg, Capt. Kenneth H.	15
Foy, Maj. Robert W.	15
Hofer, 2nd Lt. Ralph K.	15
Homer, Capt. Cyril F.	15
Landers, Lt. Col. John D.	14.50
Powers, Capt. Joe H.	14.50
Brown, Capt. Henry W.	14.20
Carr, 1st Lt. Bruce W.	14
Curtis, Maj. Robert C.	14
DeHaven, Capt. Robert M.	14
Emmer, Capt. Wallace N.	14
Goodson, Maj. James A.	14
Jeffrey, Lt. Col. Arthur F.	14
McComas, Lt. Col. Edward O.	14



Hubert Zemke (17.75)

Roberts, Capt. Daniel T. Jr.	14	Moore, Maj. Robert W.	12
West, Capt. Richard L.	14	Olds, Maj. Robin	12
Bochkay, Maj. Donald H.	13.83	Schreiber, Capt. Leroy A.	12
Strait, Maj. Donald J.	13.50	Skogstad, 1st Lt. Norman C.	12
Bryan, Capt. Donald S.	13.33	Sloan, 1st Lt. William J.	12
Carpenter, Maj. George	13.33	Watkins, Capt. James A.	12
Brooks, 1st Lt. James L.	13	Megura, Capt. Nicholas	11.83
Hampshire, Capt. John F. Jr.	13	Blakeslee, Col. Donald J. M.	11.50
Head, Capt. Cotesworth B. Jr.	13	Conger, Maj. Paul A.	11.50
Holloway, Col. Bruce K.	13	Kirla, 1st Lt. John A.	11.50
Millikan, Capt. Willard W.	13	McDonald, Maj. Norman L.	11.50



Robert Johnson (27) and Francis Gabreski (28)

Moran, 1st Lt. Glennon T.	13	Stewart, Maj. James C.	11.50
Parker, Capt. Harry A.	13	Yeager, Capt. Charles E.	11.50
Stephens, Maj. Robert W.	13	Norley, Maj. Louis H.	11.33
Williamson, Capt. Felix D.	13	Frantz, 1st Lt. Carl M.	11
Bruehl, Maj. Lowell K.	12.50	Goebel, Capt. Robert J.	11
Brown, Maj. Quince L.	12.33	Lawler, Capt. John B.	11
Brezas, 1st Lt. Michael	12	Lent, 1st Lt. Francis J.	11
Chase, Lt. Col. Levi R.	12	Leverette, Lt. Col. William L.	11
East, Capt. Clyde B.	12	Loisel, Maj. John S.	11
Gleason, Capt. George W.	12	Lowry, 1st Lt. Wayne L.	11
Hively, Maj. Howard D.	12	McCorkle, Col. Charles M.	11
Ladd, Capt. Kenneth G.	12	McKennon, Maj. Pierce W.	11
		Mitchell, Lt. Col. John W.	11
		Molland, Capt. Leland P.	11
		Quirk, Capt. Michael J.	11
		Riddle, 1st Lt. Robert E.	11
		Shubin, 1st Lt. Murray J.	11
		Smith, Capt. Cornelius M. Jr.	11
		Sparks, 1st Lt. Kenneth C.	11
		Turner, Maj. Richard E.	11
		O'Connor, Capt. Frank Q.	10.75
		Ceuleers, Lt. Col. George F.	10.50
		Clark, Lt. Col. James A. Jr.	10.50
		Doersch, Capt. George A.	10.50
		Halton, Maj. William T.	10.50
		Hovde, Maj. William J.	10.50
		Littge, Capt. Raymond H.	10.50
		Storch, Lt. Col. John A.	10.50
		Glover, Maj. Fred W.	10.33
		Anderson, 1st Lt. Charles F.	10
		Aschenbrener, Capt. Robert W.	10
		Blickenstaff, Lt. Col. Wayne K.	10
		England, Maj. James J.	10



Richard Turner (11)



John Godfrey (16.33)

Giroux, Capt. William K.	10
Gladych,* SL Michael	10
Goehausen, Capt. Walter J. Jr.	10
Harris, Capt. Ernest A.	10
Lines, 1st Lt. Ted E.	10
Rankin, 1st Lt. Robert J.	10
Reynolds, 1st Lt. Andrew J.	10
Scott, Col. Robert L. Jr.	10
Stanch, Capt. Paul M.	10
Summer, Capt. Elliot	10
Bankey, Capt. Ernest E. Jr.	9.5
Spencer, 1st Lt. Dale F.	9.5
Adams, Capt. Fletcher E.	9
Andrew, Maj. Stephen W.	9
Banks, Maj. William M.	9
Beyer, Capt. William R.	9
Boggs, Capt. Hampton E.	9
Champlin, Capt. Frederic F.	9
Collins, Maj. Frank J.	9
Curdes, 1st Lt. Louis E.	9
Dahl, Capt. Perry J.	9
Dalglish, Maj. James B.	9
Dunkin, Capt. Richard W.	9
Emmons, 1st Lt. Eugene H.	9
Fanning, 1st Lt. Grover E.	9
Feld, 1st Lt. Sylvan	9
Fiebelkorn, 1st Lt. Ernest C.	9
Forster, 1st Lt. Joseph M.	9
Gallup, Lt. Col. Kenneth W.	9
Hill, Capt. Allen E.	9
Hurlbut, Flight Officer Frank D.	9
Juchheim, Capt. Alwin M.	9
Kiser, Capt. George E.	9
Lesicka, 1st Lt. Joseph J.	9
Meroney, Capt. Virgil K.	9
Morrill, 1st Lt. Stanley B.	9
Overfield, 1st Lt. Loyd J.	9
Paris, Capt. Joel B. III	9
Roberts, Lt. Col. Eugene P.	9
Smith, Lt. Col. Meryl M.	9
Stewart, Capt. John S.	9
White, Capt. Robert H.	9

*Squadron Leader Gladych was Polish and flew in service with American units, but because the Polish government in exile was headquartered in London, Polish pilots had British designations.

Wolfe, Capt. Judge E.	9
Bennett, Capt. Joseph H.	8.5
Cesky, Capt. Charles J.	8.5
Dorsch, Capt. Frederick J. Jr.	8.5
Hayes, Lt. Col. Thomas L. Jr.	8.5
Hoefker, Capt. John H.	8.5
Jenkins, 2nd Lt. Otto D.	8.5
Johnson, 1st Lt. Arthur G. Jr.	8.5
Luksic, 1st Lt. Carl J.	8.5
McDowell, 1st Lt. Don	8.5
McGrattan, Capt. Bernard L.	8.5
Moats, 1st Lt. Sanford K.	8.5
Schlegel, Capt. Albert L.	8.5
Ainlay, 1st Lt. John M.	8
Allen, 1st Lt. David W.	8
Benz, Maj. Walter G. Jr.	8
Booth, 1st Lt. Robert J.	8
Bostwick, Maj. George E.	8
Broadhead, Maj. Joseph E.	8
Carroll, 1st Lt. Walter J. Jr.	8
Cruikshank, Maj. Arthur W. Jr.	8
Damstrom, 1st Lt. Fernley H.	8
Douglas, Lt. Col. Paul P. Jr.	8
Elder, Maj. John L. Jr.	8
Fiedler, Capt. Arthur C. Jr.	8
Fowle, 1st Lt. James M.	8
Gardner, Capt. William A.	8
Gaunt, Capt. Frank L.	8
Gerard, Capt. Francis R.	8
Grosshuesch, Capt. Leroy V.	8
Harris, Capt. Frederick A.	8
Hart, 1st Lt. Kenneth F.	8
Ilfrey, Capt. Jack M.	8
Jackson, Maj. Michael J.	8
Jones, Capt. John L.	8
Kinnard, Lt. Col. Claiborne H. Jr.	8
Maloney, Capt. Thomas E.	8
Momyer, Col. William W.	8
Morehead, 1st Lt. James B.	8
Novotny, 1st Lt. George P.	8
O'Neill, 1st Lt. John G.	8
Paisley, 1st Lt. Melvyn R.	8
Richardson, Maj. Elmer W.	8
Roddy, Capt. Edward F.	8
Rowland, Col. Robert R.	8
Sangermano, 1st Lt. Philip	8



Boyd Wagner (8)

Schiltz, 1st Lt. Glen D. Jr.	8
Shaw, 1st Lt. Robert M.	8
Shomo, Capt. William A.	8
Smith, Maj. Carroll C.	8
Stanton, Maj. Arland	8
Sublett, Capt. John L.	8
Tapp, Maj. James B.	8
Tovrea, 1st Lt. Philip E. Jr.	8
Tyler, Maj. James O.	8
Vogt, Maj. John W. Jr.	8
Wagner, Lt. Col. Boyd D.	8
Warford, Maj. Victor E.	8
Weaver, Capt. Charles E.	8
Lang, Capt. Joseph L.	7.83
Stewart, Lt. Col. Everett W.	7.83
Bryan, Maj. William E. Jr.	7.5
Cutler, Capt. Frank A.	7.5
Davis, Capt. Glendon V.	7.5
Glenn, Maj. Maxwell H.	7.5
Karger, 1st Lt. Dale E.	7.5
Lamb, Maj. George M.	7.5
Lasko, Capt. Charles W.	7.5
Lowell, Lt. Col. John H.	7.5
Miklajczyk, Capt. Henry J.	7.5
Righetti, Lt. Col. Elwyn G.	7.5



William Shomo (8)

Garrison, 1st Lt. Vermont	7.33
Morris, Capt. James M.	7.33
Goodnight, 1st Lt. Robert E.	7.25
Adams, Capt. Burnell W.	7
Allen, 1st Lt. Calvin D. Jr.	7
Anderson, 1st Lt. William Y.	7
Becker, Capt. Robert H.	7
Blair, Capt. Samuel V.	7
Browning, Capt. James W.	7
Carder, 1st Lt. John B.	7
Chapman, Maj. Philip G.	7
Cramer, Maj. Darrell S.	7
Crenshaw, 1st Lt. Claude J.	7
Davis, 1st Lt. George A. Jr.	7
Dean, 1st Lt. Zach W.	7
Duke, Capt. Walter F.	7
Dunaway, 1st Lt. John S.	7
Edens, 2nd Lt. Billy G.	7
Elliott, 1st Lt. Vincent T.	7
Fisher, Capt. Edwin O.	7
Fisk, Capt. Jack A.	7
Franklin, 1st Lt. Dwaine R.	7
Graham, Lt. Col. Gordon M.	7
Grant, 1st Lt. Marvin E.	7
Gregg, 1st Lt. Lee O.	7
Griffin, Maj. Joseph H.	7
Hennon, Capt. William J.	7
Hill, Maj. Frank A.	7
Hockery, Capt. John J.	7
Howard, Col. James H.	7
Jackson, Lt. Col. Willie O. Jr.	7
Jamison, Capt. Gilbert L.	7
Jett, Capt. Verl E.	7
Johnson, Capt. Clarence O.	7
Keen, 1st Lt. Robert J.	7
King, Capt. Benjamin H.	7
Kinsey, 2nd Lt. Claude R. Jr.	7
Klibbe, 2nd Lt. Frank W.	7
Kuentzel, 2nd Lt. Ward A.	7
Lamb, Capt. Robert A.	7
Lewis, Maj. Warren R.	7
Lewis, Lt. Col. William H.	7
Liebers, 2nd Lt. Lawrence P.	7
Little, 1st Lt. James W.	7
Lombard, Maj. John D.	7
Maguire, Capt. William J.	7
Marshall, Maj. Bert W. Jr.	7
McLaughlin, Capt. Murray D.	7
Moore, Maj. John T.	7
O'Brien, 1st Lt. Gilbert M.	7
Older, Lt. Col. Charles H.	7
Pierce, 1st Lt. Joseph F.	7
Pierce, 1st Lt. Sammy A.	7
Poindexter, Capt. James N.	7
Popek, Maj. Edward S.	7
Purdy, 1st Lt. John E.	7
Reynolds, 1st Lt. Robert	7
Rogers, Capt. Felix M.	7
Ross, Maj. Herbert E.	7
Sears, 1st Lt. Meldrum L.	7
Shafer, Lt. Col. Dale E. Jr.	7
Shipman, 1st Lt. Ernest	7
Shuler, 1st Lt. Lucien B.	7
Simmons, 1st Lt. John M.	7
Smith, Maj. Leslie C.	7
Smith, 1st Lt. Richard E.	7
Stone, 2nd Lt. Robert J.	7
Strand, Capt. William H.	7
Truluck, 1st Lt. John H.	7
Turner, Lt. Col. William L.	7

Tyler, 1st Lt. Gerald E.	7
Vaughn, Maj. Harley C.	7
Waters, 1st Lt. Edward T.	7
Wheadon, Capt. Elmer M.	7
Whittaker, Capt. Roy E.	7
Wicker, Maj. Samuel J.	7
Wilkinson, Capt. James W.	7
Wire, 1st Lt. Calvin C.	7
Woods, Lt. Col. Sidney S.	7
Woody, Capt. Robert E.	7
Zoerb, Capt. Daniel J.	7
Murphy, Lt. Col. John B.	6.75
Cummings, Capt. Donald M.	6.5
Gray, Maj. Rockford V.	6.5
Hoffman, 1st Lt. James E. Jr.	6.5
Hubbard, Lt. Col. Mark E.	6.5
Hunt, 1st Lt. Edward E.	6.5
Koenig, 1st Lt. Charles W.	6.5
Kruzel, Lt. Col. Joseph J.	6.5
Moseley, Capt. Mark L.	6.5
Rader, 1st Lt. Valentine S.	6.5
Riley, 1st Lt. Paul S.	6.5
Welden, 1st Lt. Robert D.	6.25
Adams, 1st Lt. Charles E. Jr.	6
Alison, Lt. Col. John R.	6
Anderson, 1st Lt. Wyman D.	6
Andrews, 1st Lt. Stanley O.	6
Baker, 1st Lt. Ellis C. Jr.	6
Baseler, Lt. Col. Robert L.	6
Bille, Maj. Henry S.	6
Blumer, Capt. Laurence E.	6
Brown, 1st Lt. Harley L.	6
Brown, Capt. Harry W.	6
Brown, Capt. Meade M.	6
Buck, Capt. George T. Jr.	6
Callaway, Maj. Raymond H.	6
Campbell, 1st Lt. Richard A.	6
Candelaria, 1st Lt. Richard G.	6
Care, Capt. Raymond C.	6
Carlson, Capt. Kendall E.	6
Carter, Capt. James R.	6
Chick, Lt. Col. Lewis W. Jr.	6
Coffey, Lt. Col. Robert L. Jr.	6
Collinsworth, Capt. J.D.	6
Cook, Capt. Walter V.	6
Crawford, 2nd Lt. Ray	6
Crim, Maj. Harry C. Jr.	6
Cundy, 1st Lt. Arthur C.	6
Czarnecki, 1st Lt. Edward J.	6



James Howard (7)



Urban Drew (6)

Davis, 1st Lt. Barrie S.	6
Dean, 2nd Lt. Cecil O.	6
Degraffenreid, 2nd Lt. Edwin L.	6
Dent, Capt. Elliott E. Jr.	6
Dillard, Capt. William J.	6
Drew, 1st Lt. Urban L.	6
Drier, Capt. William C.	6
Eason, 1st Lt. Hoyt A.	6
Emerson, Capt. Warren S.	6
Emmert, 1st Lt. Benjamin H. Jr.	6
Evans, Lt. Col. Andrew J. Jr.	6
Evans, Maj. Roy W.	6
Everhart, Capt. Lee R.	6
Fleischer, Capt. Richard H.	6
Foulis, Capt. William B. Jr.	6
Froning, 1st Lt. Alfred C.	6
Gallup, Capt. Charles S.	6
Goss, Maj. Edmund R.	6
Gresham, 1st Lt. Billy M.	6
Gumm, 1st Lt. Charles F. Jr.	6
Hagerstrom, 1st Lt. James P.	6
Hall, 1st Lt. George F.	6
Hanes, 1st Lt. William F. Jr.	6
Harmeyer, 1st Lt. Raymond F.	6
Hart, Capt. Cameron M.	6
Haviland, Capt. Fred R. Jr.	6
Hill, Col. David L.	6
Hogg, Capt. Roy B.	6
Holloway, 1st Lt. James D.	6
Howard, 1st Lt. Robert L.	6
Howes, 1st Lt. Bernard H.	6
Hurd, 1st Lt. Richard F.	6
Ince, 1st Lt. James C.	6
Johnston, Lt. Col. Robert D.	6
Jones, 1st Lt. Cyril W. Jr.	6
Jordan, Maj. Wallace R.	6
Karr, Capt. Robert A.	6
Kemp, 2nd Lt. William T.	6
Kienholz, 1st Lt. Donald D.	6
Lane, 1st Lt. John H.	6
Larson, Maj. Donald A.	6
Larson, 2nd Lt. Leland A.	6
Lubner, Capt. Martin W.	6
Lucas, Capt. Paul W.	6
Lustic, 1st Lt. Stanley J.	6
McDaniel, 1st Lt. Gordon H.	6
McGee, Capt. Donald C.	6
McKeon, Capt. Joseph T.	6
Meigs, 1st Lt. Henry II	6



John Alison (6), David Hill (6), and Albert Baumler (5)

Meuten, 1st Lt. Donald W.	6
Miller, Capt. Armour C.	6
Mills, Maj. Henry L.	6
Mugavero, 1st Lt. James D.	6
Murphey, Capt. Paul C. Jr.	6
Murphy, Capt. Alva C.	6
Ohr, Capt. Fred F.	6
Olson, Capt. Norman E.	6
Pietz, 1st Lt. John Jr.	6
Pissanos, 1st Lt. Spiros N.	6
Pugh, Capt. John F.	6
Reed, Capt. William N.	6
Reeves, 1st Lt. Horace B.	6
Reeves, 1st Lt. Leonard R.	6
Roberson, 1st Lt. Arval J.	6
Scheible, Capt. Wilbur R.	6
Schildt, 1st Lt. William J.	6
Schimanski, Capt. Robert G.	6
Simmons, 1st Lt. William J.	6
Smith, 1st Lt. John C.	6
Starck, Capt. Walter E.	6
Starnes, Capt. James R.	6
Taylor, Capt. Ralph G. Jr.	6
Thwaites, Capt. David F.	6
Turley, 2nd Lt. Grant M.	6
Vincent, Col. Clinton D.	6
Wainwright, 2nd Lt. John H. Jr.	6
Walker, 1st Lt. Thomas H.	6
Wandrey, Capt. Ralph H.	6
Welch, Capt. Robert E.	6
Wenige, 1st Lt. Arthur E.	6
Whalen, 1st Lt. William E.	6
White, 2nd Lt. Thomas A.	6
Williams, 1st Lt. James M.	6
Witt, Capt. Lynn E. Jr.	6
Wright, Capt. Ellis W. Jr.	6
Zubarik, 1st Lt. Charles J.	6
Fortier, Capt. Norman J.	5.83
Koraleski, Capt. Walter J. Jr.	5.53
Amoss, 1st Lt. Dudley M.	5.5
Bickel, 1st Lt. Carl G.	5.5
Burdick, 1st Lt. Clinton D.	5.5
Buttke, Capt. Robert L.	5.5
Compton, Capt. Gordon B.	5.5
Edwards, 1st Lt. Edward B. Jr.	5.5
Gailer, 1st Lt. Frank L.	5.5

Graham, Capt. Lindol F.	5.5
Hatala, Capt. Paul R.	5.5
Heller, Capt. Edwin L.	5.5
Holmes, 1st Lt. Besby F.	5.5
Horne, 1st Lt. Francis W.	5.5
King, 1st Lt. William B.	5.5
Lampe, 1st Lt. Richard C.	5.5
Lanphier, Capt. Thomas G. Jr.	5.5
Lenfest, Capt. Charles W.	5.5
Long, Capt. Maurice G.	5.5
McCauley, 1st Lt. Frank E.	5.5
Minchew, Capt. Leslie D.	5.5
O'Brien, Capt. William R.	5.5
Pascoe, 1st Lt. James J.	5.5
Pompetti, 1st Lt. Peter E.	5.5
Ruder, 1st Lt. Leroy A.	5.5
Shoup, 1st Lt. Robert L.	5.5
Smith, 1st Lt. Donovan F.	5.5
Tanner, Capt. William F.	5.5
Vanden Heuvel, 1st Lt. George R.	5.5
Waits, 1st Lt. Joe W.	5.5
Wang, 1st Lt. Kuang Fu	5.5
Winks, 1st Lt. Robert P.	5.5
Biel, 1st Lt. Hipolitus T.	5.33
Vinson, Capt. Arnold E.	5.33



Clinton Vincent (6)

Dorris, Maj. Harry W.	5.25
Miller, 2nd Lt. Thomas F.	5.25
Thompson, 1st Lt. Robert D.	5.25
Duffy, Capt. James E. Jr.	5.2
Abernathy, Capt. Robert W.	5
Adams, 1st Lt. Robert H.	5
Allen, 1st Lt. William H.	5
Ambort, 2nd Lt. Ernest J.	5
Ammon, 1st Lt. Robert H.	5
Andersen, 1st Lt. Leslie E.	5
Anderson, 1st Lt. Richard H.	5
Arasmith, 1st Lt. Lester L.	5
Archibald, 1st Lt. David B.	5
Aron, 1st Lt. William E.	5
Aust, Capt. Abner M. Jr.	5
Axtell, 1st Lt. Eugene D.	5
Baccus, Lt. Col. Donald A.	5
Bade, 1st Lt. Jack A.	5
Bank, 1st Lt. Raymond M.	5
Barber, 1st Lt. Rex T.	5
Barkey, 1st Lt. Robert M.	5
Barnes, 1st Lt. Truman S.	5
Baumler, Capt. Albert J.	5
Bearden, 2nd Lt. Aaron L.	5
Beavers, Capt. Edward H. Jr.	5
Benne, 1st Lt. Louis	5
Bolyard, Capt. John W.	5
Bonner, 1st Lt. Stephen J.	5
Bostrom, 1st Lt. Ernest O.	5
Bradley, Maj. John L.	5
Brown, Capt. Gerald	5
Byrne, 1st Lt. Robert J.	5
Byrnes, Capt. Robert C.	5
Castle, 2nd Lt. Nial K.	5
Chandler, Capt. George T.	5
Chandler, 1st Lt. Van E.	5
Cleaveland, 2nd Lt. Arthur B.	5
Clinger, Capt. Dallas A.	5
Cloud, Capt. Vivian A.	5
Cochran, 2nd Lt. Paul R.	5
Colman, 1st Lt. Philip E.	5
Comstock, Maj. Harold E.	5
Condon, Capt. Henry L. II	5
Coons, Capt. Merle M.	5
Cox, Capt. Ralph L.	5
Cranfill, Maj. Niven K.	5
Cullerton, 1st Lt. William J.	5
Curton, 1st Lt. Warren D.	5
Daniel, Col. William A.	5
Daniell, 1st Lt. J. S.	5
Davis, Capt. Clayton E.	5
Day, 1st Lt. William C. Jr.	5
Deakins, 1st Lt. Richard S.	5
Della, 1st Lt. George	5
Dick, Capt. Frederick E.	5
Dikovitsky, 1st Lt. Michael	5
Donaldson, 2nd Lt. I. B. Jack	5
Dregne, Lt. Col. Irwin H.	5
Dubisher, Maj. Francis E.	5
Dubois, 1st Lt. Charles H.	5
Duffey, 2nd Lt. Richard E.	5
Egan, 1st Lt. Joseph L. Jr.	5
Elder, Maj. Robert A.	5
Empey, 1st Lt. James W.	5
Ernst, 1st Lt. Herman E.	5
Faxon, 1st Lt. Richard D.	5
Felts, 1st Lt. Marion C.	5



Edwin Heller (5.5)

Fenex, Capt. James E. Jr. 5
 Fiedler, 1st Lt. William F. Jr. 5
 Fields, Capt. Virgil C. Jr. 5
 Fischette, 1st Lt. Charles R. 5
 Fisher, 1st Lt. Rodney W. 5
 Fisk, Capt. Harry E. 5
 Flack, Capt. Nelson D. Jr. 5
 Ford, Maj. Claude E. 5
 Gardner, Maj. Warner F. 5
 Gerick, 2nd Lt. Steven 5
 Gholson, Capt. Grover D. 5
 Gibb, 1st Lt. Robert D. 5
 Gladen, 1st Lt. Cyrus R. 5
 Goodrich, 1st Lt. Burdett C. 5
 Gordon, Capt. Mathew M. Jr. 5
 Graham, 2nd Lt. Robert F. 5
 Griffith, 1st Lt. Robert C. 5
 Gross, Capt. Clayton K. 5
 Grosvenor, Capt. William Jr. 5
 Gupton, 1st Lt. Cheatham W. 5
 Hammer, 1st Lt. Samuel E. 5
 Hanna, 2nd Lt. Harry T. 5
 Hanseman, 1st Lt. Chris J. 5
 Harrington, 1st Lt. Archibald A. 5
 Harris, Capt. Thomas L. 5
 Hartley, Capt. Raymond E. Jr. 5
 Hatch, 2nd Lt. Herbert B. Jr. 5
 Hauver, 1st Lt. Charles D. 5
 Haworth, 1st Lt. Russell C. 5
 Hendricks, Maj. Randall W. 5
 Hill, Maj. James E. 5
 Hiro, Maj. Edwin W. 5
 Hnatio, 1st Lt. Myron M. 5
 Hodges, Capt. William R. 5
 Hoffman, 1st Lt. Cullen J. 5
 House, 1st Lt. A. T. Jr. 5
 Howe, 1st Lt. David W. 5
 Hoyt, Capt. Edward R. 5
 Hunter, Capt. Alvaro J. 5
 Icard, 2nd Lt. Joe W. 5
 Johnson, Capt. Evan M. V. 5
 Jones, Capt. Curran L. 5
 Jones, Capt. Frank C. 5
 Jones, Capt. Lynn F. 5
 Jones, 2nd Lt. Warren L. 5
 Julian, Maj. William H. 5
 Kennedy, 1st Lt. Daniel 5
 King, Maj. Charles W. 5
 King, 1st Lt. David L. 5

Kirby, 1st Lt. Marion F. 5
 Kirkland, 1st Lt. Lenton F. Jr. 5
 Knapp, Capt. Robert H. 5
 Knott, 1st Lt. Carroll S. 5
 Kopsel, 1st Lt. Edward H. 5
 Lathrope, 2nd Lt. Franklin C. 5
 Lazear, 1st Lt. Earl R. Jr. 5
 Lee, 1st Lt. Richard J. 5
 Leikness, Capt. Marlow J. 5
 Lenox, 2nd Lt. Jack Jr. 5
 Liles, Maj. Robert L. 5
 London, Capt. Charles P. 5
 Loving, Capt. George G. Jr. 5
 Lutton, 1st Lt. Lowell C. 5
 Mackay, 2nd Lt. John A. 5
 Magoffin, Col. Morton D. 5
 Mahon, Capt. Keith 5
 Mahony, Lt. Col. Grant 5
 Mankin, Capt. Jack C. 5
 Markham, Capt. Gene E. 5
 Marsh, 1st Lt. Lester C. 5
 Martin, Col. Kenneth R. 5
 Mason, Col. Joe L. 5
 Mathis, 1st Lt. William H. 5
 Mathre, 2nd Lt. Mildred E. 5
 Matte, 1st Lt. Joseph Z. 5
 Maxwell, Capt. Chester K. 5
 McArthur, 1st Lt. Paul G. 5
 McArthur, Capt. T. H. 5
 McDonough, Maj. William F. 5
 McElroy, Capt. James N. 5
 McGinn, Lt. Col. John L. 5
 McGuyrt, 1st Lt. John W. Jr. 5
 McMinn, Flight Officer Evan D. 5
 Merritt, Maj. George L. Jr. 5
 Miller, 1st Lt. Everett 5
 Miller, Capt. Joseph E. Jr. 5
 Milliken, 1st Lt. Robert C. 5
 Monk, 1st Lt. Franklin H. 5
 Mooney, 2nd Lt. Raymond P. 5
 Morriss, Capt. Paul V. 5
 Mulhollem, 1st Lt. Robert F. 5
 Myers, 1st Lt. Jennings L. 5
 Myers, Lt. Col. Raymond B. 5
 Nichols, Maj. Franklin A. 5
 Nollmeyer, Maj. Edward M. 5
 Oberhansly, Maj. Jack J. 5
 Olson, 1st Lt. Paul E. 5
 O'Neill, Capt. Eugene W. Jr. 5
 O'Neill, 1st Lt. Lawrence F. 5



Harrison Thyng (5)

Osher, Capt. Ernest K. 5
 Overcash, 1st Lt. Robert J. 5
 Owens, Maj. Joel A. Jr. 5
 Parham, Capt. Forrest F. 5
 Paulk, 2nd Lt. Edsel 5
 Payne, Capt. Carl W. 5
 Perdomo, 1st Lt. Oscar F. 5
 Pool, 1st Lt. Kenneth R. 5
 Porter, 1st Lt. Philip B. 5
 Powers, 2nd Lt. Macarthur 5
 Price, Maj. Jack C. 5
 Priest, 1st Lt. Royce W. 5
 Pryor, Capt. Roger C. 5
 Quigley, Maj. Donald L. 5
 Ray, 1st Lt. C. B. 5
 Reese, 1st Lt. William C. 5
 Ritchey, 1st Lt. Andrew J. 5
 Roberts, Capt. Newell O. 5
 Rose, 1st Lt. Franklin Jr. 5
 Rounds, 1st Lt. Gerald L. 5
 Rudolph, 1st Lt. Henry S. 5
 Rynne, Capt. William A. 5
 Schank, 1st Lt. Thomas D. 5
 Schriber, Capt. Louis 5
 Schuh, 1st Lt. Duerr H. 5
 Schultz (Shoals), Capt. Robert B. 5
 Sears, 1st Lt. Alexander F. 5
 Seidman, 1st Lt. Robert K. 5
 Smith, Capt. Jack R. 5
 Smith, Capt. Kenneth G. 5
 Smith, 1st Lt. Paul A. 5
 Smith, 1st Lt. Virgil H. 5
 Stangel, Capt. William J. 5
 Stanley, 1st Lt. Morris A. 5
 Suehr, 1st Lt. Richard C. 5
 Sullivan, Capt. Charles P. 5
 Sutcliffe, 1st Lt. Robert C. 5
 Sykes, 1st Lt. William J. 5
 Talbot, Maj. Gilbert F. 5
 Taylor, Col. Oliver B. 5
 Thyng, Lt. Col. Harrison R. 5
 Tierney, 1st Lt. Robert E. 5
 Tilley, 1st Lt. John A. 5
 Tordoff, Capt. Harrison B. 5
 Trafton, 1st Lt. Frederick O. Jr. 5
 Troxell, Capt. Clifton H. 5
 Vaught, Capt. Robert H. 5
 Visscher, 1st Lt. Herman W. 5
 Vogt, Capt. John E. 5
 Waggoner, 1st Lt. Horace Q. 5
 Walker, 1st Lt. Walter B. Jr. 5
 Warner, Capt. Jack A. 5
 Warren, Capt. Jack R. 5
 Watson, Maj. Ralph J. 5
 Watts, Capt. Oran S. 5
 Weatherford, 1st Lt. Sidney W. 5
 Webb, Maj. Willard J. 5
 Welch, Capt. Darrell G. 5
 Wesson, 1st Lt. Warren M. 5
 White, 1st Lt. John H. 5
 Wilhelm, Capt. David C. 5
 Wilkins, 2nd Lt. Paul H. 5
 Williams, 1st Lt. Russell D. 5
 Wilson, Capt. William F. 5
 Wire, Maj. Ralph L. 5
 Wiseman, Capt. Lee V. 5
 Wolford, 1st Lt. John L. 5
 Wright, Capt. Max J. 5
 Yaeger, Capt. Robert R. Jr. 5
 York, 1st Lt. Robert M. 5

USAF Aces of the Korean War



Joseph McConnell Jr. (16)

McConnell, Capt. Joseph C. Jr.	16
Jabara, Maj. James	15
Fernandez, Capt. Manuel J. Jr.	14.50
Davis, Maj. George A. Jr.	14
Baker, Col. Royal N.	13
Blesse, Maj. Frederick C.	10
Fischer, Capt. Harold E.	10
Garrison, Lt. Col. Vermont	10
Johnson, Col. James K.	10
Moore, Capt. Lonnie R.	10

Parr, Capt. Ralph S. Jr.	10
Foster, Capt. Cecil G.	9
Low, 1st Lt. James F.	9
Hagerstrom, Maj. James P.	8.50
Risner, Capt. Robinson	8
Ruddell, Lt. Col. George I.	8
Buttelmann, 1st Lt. Henry	7
Jolley, Capt. Clifford D.	7
Lilley, Capt. Leonard W.	7
Adams, Maj. Donald E.	6.50
Gabreski, Col. Francis S.	6.50
Jones, Lt. Col. George L.	6.50
Marshall, Maj. Winton W.	6.50
Bolt, Maj. John F.	6
Kasler, 1st Lt. James H.	6
Love, Capt. Robert J.	6
Whisner, Maj. William T. Jr.	5.50
Baldwin, Col. Robert P.	5
Becker, Capt. Richard S.	5
Bettinger, Maj. Stephen L.	5
Cleveland, 1st Lt. Charles G.	5
Creighton, Maj. Richard D.	5
Curtin, Capt. Clyde A.	5
Gibson, Capt. Ralph D.	5
Kincheloe, Capt. Iven C. Jr.	5

Latshaw, Capt. Robert T. Jr.	5
Moore, Capt. Robert H.	5
Overton, Capt. Dolphin D. III	5
Thyng, Col. Harrison R.	5
Wescott, Maj. William H.	5



William Whisner Jr. (5.50)

USAF Aces of the Vietnam War

DeBellevue, Capt. Charles B.	6
Feinstein, Capt. Jeffrey S.	5
Ritchie, Capt. Richard S.	5



Jeffrey Feinstein (5)



Charles DeBellevue (6) and Richard Ritchie (5)

AAF/USAF Aces With Victories in Both World War II and a Later War

	WW II	Korean/Other	Total
Gabreski, Col. Francis S.	28	6.50	34.50
Meyer, Col. John C.	24	2	26
Mahurin, Col. Walker M.	20.75	3.50	24.25
Davis, Maj. George A. Jr.	7	14	21
Whisner, Maj. William T. Jr.	15.50	5.50	21
Eagleston, Col. Glenn T.	18.50	2	20.50
Garrison, Lt. Col. Vermont	7.33	10	17.33
Baker, Col. Royal N.	3.50	13	16.50
Jabara, Maj. James	1.50	15	16.50
Olds, Col. Robin	12	4 ^a	16
Mitchell, Col. John W.	11	4	15
Brueland, Maj. Lowell K.	12.50	2	14.50
Hagerstrom, Maj. James P.	6	8.50	14.50
Hovde, Lt. Col. William J.	10.50	1	11.50
Johnson, Col. James K.	1	10	11
Ruddell, Lt. Col. George I.	2.50	8	10.50
Thyng, Col. Harrison R.	5	5	10
Colman, Capt. Philip E.	5	4	9
Heller, Lt. Col. Edwin L.	5.50	3.50	9
Chandler, Maj. Van E.	5	3	8
Hockery, Maj. John J.	7	1	8
Creighton, Maj. Richard D.	2	5	7
Emmert, Lt. Col. Benjamin H.	6	1	7
Bettinger, Maj. Stephen L.	1	5	6
Visscher, Maj. Herman W.	5	1	6
Liles, Capt. Brooks J.	1	4	5
Mattson, Capt. Conrad E.	1	4	5
Shaeffer, Maj. William F.	2	3	5

^aOlds' four additional victories came during the Vietnam War.



John Meyer (26)



George Davis Jr. (21)

Leading Air Service/AAF/USAF Aces of All Wars

Bong, Maj. Richard I.	40	WW II
McGuire, Maj. Thomas B. Jr.	38	WW II
Gabreski, Col. Francis S.	34.50	WW II, Korea
Johnson, Capt. Robert S.	27	WW II
MacDonald, Col. Charles H.	27	WW II
Preddy, Maj. George E.	26.83	WW II
Meyer, Col. John C.	26	WW II, Korea
Rickenbacker, Capt. Edward V.	26 ^b	WW I
Mahurin, Col. Walker M.	24.25	WW II, Korea
Schilling, Col. David C.	22.50	WW II
Johnson, Lt. Col. Gerald R.	22	WW II
Kearby, Col. Neel E.	22	WW II
Robbins, Maj. Jay T.	22	WW II
Christensen, Capt. Fred J.	21.50	WW II
Wetmore, Capt. Ray S.	21.25	WW II
Davis, Maj. George A. Jr.	21	WW II, Korea
Voll, Capt. John J.	21	WW II
Whisner, Capt. William T. Jr.	21	WW II, Korea
Eagleston, Col. Glenn T.	20.50	WW II, Korea
Lynch, Lt. Col. Thomas J.	20	WW II
Westbrook, Lt. Col. Robert B.	20	WW II
Gentile, Capt. Don S.	19.83	WW II



Walker Mahurin (24.25) and Walter Beckham (18)

^bUnder World War II and Korean War counting rules, Rickenbacker would have been credited with 24.33 victories. The change would not alter his position on this list.