

Clymer, Gerald F.

Decoration Given Quakertown Flier Who is Prisoner

Lieut. Gerald F. Clymer, Quakertown, now a prisoner of war in Germany, was among the more than 1000 members of the Eighth U. S. Air Force to receive decorations for heroism in aerial assaults on Germany and Nazi-held territory in Europe, it was announced today by the War Department.

"The intense air action that the Eighth Air Force is carrying on against Germany and German-occupied territory in Europe is reflected in the largest list of decorations ever made in one announcement from any theatre by the U. S. Army Air Forces," the announcement said.

Seventy Pennsylvanians, including nineteen others from communities in the eastern part of the State, twenty-eight men from New Jersey and one from Delaware were recipients of the awards which ranged from the Distinguished Flying Cross to the third, oak leaf cluster to the Air Medal.

Lieut. Clymer, who was awarded an Air Medal before his capture, has now been given the coveted first Oak Leaf Cluster which will be received by his mother, Cynthia Clymer.

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