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Airman Has Seven Campaign Stars 17-1945

A 12TH AAF F-47 BASE, ITALY— Staff Sergeant Charles F. Leahy, 26, son of Mr. and Mrs. William J. Leahy, whose home is at Allentown State Hospital Grounds, Allentown, is wearing seven battle stars for 20 months overseas as a crew chief with the 79th Fighter Group, veteran 12th Air Force Thunderbolt unit in Italy.

A graduate of Allentown High School, Sergeant Leahy entered the Army on October 23, 1941, and attended military schools at Chanute Field, Ill., and Farmingdale, L. I., before departing for overseas in October, 1942.

He has authorized stars for the Egypt-Libya, Tunisia, Sicily, Southern Italy, France, Germany and Northern Italy campaigns and wears the Distinguished Unit badge and four overseas stripes.

His group, flying with the British Desert Air Force, is supporting Eighth Air Force troops in Italy and Allied Partisans in Yugoslavia.

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