

Weikel, Claude H.

Has Ten Oak Leaves On Air Medal

A NINTH AIR FORCE B-26 MARAUDER GROUP, DIJON, France—Claude H. Weikel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Weikel, 1768 Schaeffer Street, Bethlehem, Pa., has been promoted to technical sergeant. A B-26 Marauder engineer-gunner he has been overseas 11 months and has flown 60 missions with the 95th Bombardment Squadron of the 17th Bombardment Group, the oldest medium bomber group in the AAF and the group which supplied 79 of the 80 men who took part in the famous first Tokyo attack led by Lieut. Gen. James H. Doolittle.

Sgt. Weikel has been awarded the Air Medal with 10 Oak-Leaf Clusters and the Purple Heart and is authorized to wear the European Theater ribbon with three stars and the Distinguished Unit Badge. Sgt. Weikel is also a member of the Caterpillar Club.

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