

Chayka, William J.

Bombardier Cited



2nd Lt. William J. Chayka, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Chayka, 1125 East Third Street, has been awarded the Air Medal with two Oak Leaf clusters while serving as bombardier of a Flying Fortress at an Air Force Bomber base somewhere in England.

The Citation accompanying the award reads: "For exceptional meritorious achievement while participating in sustained combat bomber operations over Germany and German occupied countries. The courage, coolness, and skill displayed by Lt. Chayka on all these occasions reflect the highest credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States."

Lt. Chayka received his training at Albuquerque, New Mexico, and prior to his entrance in the Air Corps, Chayka was employed by the Bethlehem Steel Corporation.

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