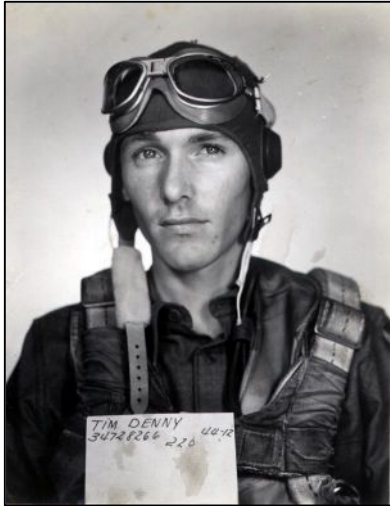


TIM DENNY



When Tim Denny (1923-2001) son of Virgil Timothy & Audra Camilla Anderson Denny was twenty year old he joined the U.S. Army Air Force during WWII. He was a graduate of Baxter Seminary and had schooling in sheet metal and riveting at Tennessee Polytechnic Institute, Cookeville, TN. At the time of induction on the 31st of March 1943, Tim was 5' 9", 120 pounds and had blonde hair and blue eyes. He was an airplane and engine mechanic and served at Camp Chaffee, AR and Keesler Field, MS. He then served 15 months in the Asiatic-Pacific Theater of Operations with the 152nd Army Air Forces Base Unit, part of this time with the Army Transport Command. He made it to the rank of Corporal. He received the WWII Victory Medal, Good Conduct Medal, American Theater Campaign Medal, Asiatic Pacific Campaign Front Medal and the Philippine Liberation Ribbon.

During his military service as a mechanic he inspected and made major repairs on Army bombers and cargo planes. He inspected wings, propellers, fuselage, landing gear, flight control surfaces and engines. He removed and installed engines and operated hoists in removing engines. Tim removed and replaced starters, generators, flaps, rudders, tires and other aircraft parts. He studied in detail the theory and maintenance of instruments, electrical systems, propellers, structures and hydraulics. During his military service as a mechanic he told his family he serviced the Enola Gay at the airfield he was stationed at. Tim received an honorable discharge on the 11th of March 1946.

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BUFFALO VALLEY:

Pfc. Tim Denny, son of Mr. and Mrs. V. T. Denny, of Buffalo Valley, has been in service since April 7, 1943. He took his basic training at Miami Beach, FL going from there to Keesler Field, MS, and on January 5, graduated from there as an airplane mechanic. He is now stationed at the Harlingen, TX, Army Air Field, at a Gunnery School, and at the completion of his eight weeks training here he will be made a corporal. Pfc. Denny states that Harlingen is one of the nicest places he has been and the people are very cordial to the men in service.

Story submitted by Audrey June Denny Lambert, daughter of Tim & Geraldine Loftis Denny.

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