

AVIATION WALL OF HONOR



First Lieutenant Francis F. Hetherington

Francis Hetherington, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Hetherington of Lakewood, Michigan, attended Northern Michigan College and was a student athlete. After attending flight training, he served as a P-47 pilot with the Sixth Air Force Fighter Command in the Panama area.

In November 1943, according to the public relations officer of the Panama Canal Zone department headquarters, Lieutenant Hetherington was awarded the Air Medal. The citation accompanying the award lauded the lieutenant for “meritorious achievement while participating in regular and hazardous flights over water and jungle terrain in the Panama area.”

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