

## THE STOLZE CLAN

### HARRY KENNETH STOLZE

SERVED IN WW2 AS A RADIO/RADAR INSTRUCTOR. WAS TOO OLD TO BE IN ACTUAL SERVICE BUT WAS SENT TO SCOTT FIELD TO LEARN HIS ROLE. WAS INSTRUCTOR AT SIOUX FALLS, S. D. BASE. FORMERLY PRINCIPAL OF A LARGE JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL IN SIOUX FALLS.

### RALPH STOLZE

HAD THE BRIEFEST PART IN AIR CORPS SERVICE. WAS A PRINTER BY TRADE. SERVED AS A PFC UNTIL HE WAS DISCHARGED FOR MEDICAL REASONS.

### ROBERT STOLZE

THE BOY WHO SPENT THE MOST TIME IN THE ARMY AIR CORPS. ENLISTED BEFORE WW2 BEGAN. WAS AN INSTRUCTOR AT KEESLER FIELD IN BILOXI, MISS., FOR A LONG TIME. AN EXPERT MECHANIC AND INSTRUCTOR, KEESLER JUST KEPT HIM FOR A LONG TIME TO TUTOR MECHANICS. WAS SENT TO THE SOUTH PACIFIC AS A CREW CHIEF FOR A B-29 NEAR THE END OF THE WAR. RECALLED AND MADE A TECH SGT. FOR THE KOREAN CONFLICT.

### LOWELL STOLZE

WAIST GUNNER ON B-24 PLANES IN EUROPE. FLEW 38 MISSIONS OVER EUROPE AND WAS SHOT DOWN ON HIS 19TH. WAS ABLE TO BAIL OUT AND MADE IT BACK TO HIS BASE IN FOGGIA, ITALY. HIS TWIN SISTER, LOIS, WAS MARRIED TO A B-17 PILOT WHOM SHE FIRST MET WHILE SERVING IN A USO NEAR A B-17 BASE AT SIOUX CITY, IA. SAW A LOT OF THE WORLD. SHE IS STILL LIVING -- AT 86.

### CRAIG STOLZE

WAS A S/SGT. WHO SPENT THREE YEARS (1943, 44, 45) IN THE TERRITORY OF ALASKA. DID WORK AS MECHANIC IN THE ELMENDORF'S HANGARS OR IF SENT "SOMEWHERE" IN ALASKA IF A PLANE NEEDED WORK TO TAKE OFF. GRADUATED FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH DAKOTA AFTER HE WAS UNDER THE G.I. BILL OF RIGHTS WITH HONORS AS MAGNA CUM LAUDE AND PHI BETA KAPPA. BECAME AN AWARD-WINNING SPORTS WRITER IN SEVERAL PARTS OF THE COUNTRY, WRITING ABOUT ALL MAJOR EVENTS. WAS A LETTERMAN FOR TWO YEARS IN BASEBALL AT USD AND ALSO PLAYED SEMI-PRO BASEBALL IN THE SUMMERS....FOR \$8 A GAME!

### ROGER STOLZE

YOUNGEST OF THE STOLZE BOYS. WAS LAST TO ENLIST IN THE WAR AND WAS AN EXPERT IN RADIO AND RADAR AFTER GRADUATING FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH DAKOTA. SPENT TIME IN CAROLINAS AS A SGT. AND DID SPEND SOME TIME IN HOMER, ALASKA. AFTER THE WAR, HE WAS AN ENGINEER AT NORTHRUP-GRUMMAN AIRCRAFT CO. IN CALIFORNIA. ONE OF A FEW CHOSEN TO HELP DEVELOP A NEW FIGHTER PLANE UNDER SECRET CONDITIONS. GRADUATE OF UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH DAKOTA WHO NOW LIVES IN MANHATTAN BEACH, CA. HE AND CRAIG ARE THE ONLY TWO STILL LIVING ALONG WITH SISTER LOIS.

P.S.

I HAVE A GRANDSON WHO CAN'T WAIT TO ENLIST IN THE AIR FORCE. HE CURRENTLY IS A 17-YEAR-OLD IN A JR. ROTC UNIT. WANTS TO BE A PILOT.

