



*Man's Flight
Through Life Is
Sustained By The
Power Of His
Knowledge*

TO HONOR

USMA CLASS OF '45 USAAF PILOTS

The United States Military Academy Class of 1945 completed all of their graduation requirements in just three years instead of the normal four years. Upon graduation 280 of the 852 members of this class were commissioned in the United States Army Air Forces. In addition to the normal cadet academic, athletic and military requirements, this unique group of individuals was required to complete all phases of pilot training while they were cadets. They completed their flying training at Stewart Field, a short distance from West Point, and were presented their pilot wings prior to their graduation from USMA. Subsequently, many members of this class held significant leadership roles in the United States Air Force and at the Air Force Academy.

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