



## Col. Charles L. Neff USAF (Ret)

August 7, 1915 - March 26, 2016

Charles L. Neff, Col. USAF (ret.), entered Army Air Corps in March 1942. Graduated from flying school February 1943. B-17 training at Hobbs NM, operational training on B-17 and B-24 at Pocatello, Idaho. Assigned to the 392 Bomb Group (B24) at Wendling, England October 1943. Completed Combat tour and returned to the US December 1944. Subsequent assignments in Command, Operations and Plans positions in Germany, England, South America and the Pentagon. Retired in 1967. Distinguished Flying Cross, Air medal with three clusters, Air Force Commendation Medal. 9000 flying hours in military and civilian aircraft.

After retirement worked in civilian industry for four years in Nashville and Pittsburgh. Moved to Sarasota, FL in 1971. Built, owned and operated air conditioned self-storage locations in Florida. Retired again in Sarasota in 1986. Member of Air Force Association, Retired Officers Association, The 392 Bomb Group Association, The Air Rescue Association, the Kiwanis Club of Sarasota and First United Methodist Church.

Preceded in death by Janet Sperry Neff. Survivors include his wife Roberta C. Neff. His two children Johanna Neff Parks and Steven B. Neff. Four grandchildren, Christine D. Roberts, Carole D. Hunse, Spencer K. Neff and Travis C. Neff. Four great grandchildren, Savannah J. Roberts, Tyler J. Hunse, Sydney C. Hunse and Riley M. Hunse. Three stepchildren, John W.

Chidsey, R. Haynes Chidsey and Helene C. Hendon. Two stepgrandchildren,  
Lauren E. Chidsey and Cameron W. Chidsey.