

World War II



*2nd Lt. Andrew R. Wood Jr.
U.S. Army Air Corps
Age 24*

*Born – December 7, 1917 Scotland
Entered Service- February 1942 Canton, Massachusetts*

Andrew emigrated to Canton shortly after WWI with his four brothers and sisters. They lived on Indian Lane where three additional siblings would be born. He graduated from Canton High School in 1935 and pursued further studies at Burdett Business School, Boston University and Lowell Institute. Andrew found employment at Philips Screw Co. in Stoughton but shortly after the start of the war he enlisted to earn his wings as a pilot. Wood was flying in formation during his final week of training for his pilot wings at Lubbock Texas, when his aircraft hit an air pocket. While attempting to rejoin the formation his wing struck an adjacent plane. Andrew gave the order to bail out, which the crew did successfully. He stayed behind in an attempt to land his crippled craft and avoid casualties on the ground. He perished in his attempt.

*Date of Death - August 26, 1942 Lubbock, Texas
Buried- Canton Corner Cemetery Canton, Massachusetts*