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U.S. Marines/U.S. Navy

Capt. VMF312/Checkerboards PTO



Theo Lee Smith U.S. Marines/U.S. Navy Captain in the PTO

Theo Lee Smith joined the U.S. Marines at the age of 20 in 1942. He trained as a pilot and achieved the rank of captain. He was a member of the "Navy Flying Might," forerunner of the Navy's Blue Angels.

Captain Theo Smith served as a fighter pilot VMF312 Checkerboards in the Pacific Theater of Operations. He was discharged after serving four years. He received the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Air Medal, the Presidential Unit Citation, the Navy Unit Citation and the Citation U.S. Treasury Department.

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