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*Dedicated to*  
**BRIGADIER GENERAL PAUL W. TIBBETS, JR.,**  
*United States Air Force (Ret.),*  
*a valiant American patriot*  
*and peacemaker*  
*who is greatly admired*  
*by millions of veterans*  
*and their families*

The only thing worse than having allies is not having allies.

— *Winston S. Churchill*



U.S. General Douglas MacArthur (left) arrives in Australia after his escape from Corregidor. At right is his chief of staff, Richard Sutherland. (U.S. Army)



Backstage skirmishers Admiral Ernest King (left) and General George Marshall.  
(National Archives)



French General Alphonse Juin.  
(National Archives)



French General Jean de Lattre de  
Tassigny. (National Archives)



French General Henri Giraud.  
(National Archives)



French General Émile Béthouart.  
(National Archives)





Supreme Commander Dwight Eisenhower (left), French Admiral Jean Darlan ("Little Fella"), and U.S. General Mark Clark shortly before Darlan was murdered. (National Archives)



U.S. General Walter "Beetle" Smith.  
(U.S. Army)



British Admiral Andrew B. "ABC"  
Cunningham. (National Archives)



President Franklin Roosevelt and Prime Minister Winston Churchill (left) at the Casablanca press conference, where Roosevelt sprang the unconditional surrender ultimatum. (National Archives)



British Field Marshal John Dill.  
(National Archives)



British Field Marshal Alan Brooke.  
(National Archives)



The Big Three—Josef Stalin, Franklin Roosevelt, and Winston Churchill—at Teheran.  
(National Archives)



U.S. Army Air Corps Chief Henry H. "Hap" Arnold (left) and British Air Chief Marshal Charles Portal. (U.S. Army)



U.S. Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson.  
(National Archives)



British Air Chief Marshal Trafford  
Leigh-Mallory. (National Archives)



British Field Marshal Harold Alexander (left). (National Archives)



Eisenhower and his SHAEF deputy, British Air Chief Marshal Arthur Tedder. (National Archives)

Dwight Eisenhower lied to Charles de Gaulle (right) about the time and place of the Normandy invasion.  
(U.S. Army)



British General Henry  
"Jumbo" Wilson.  
(National Archives)



U.S. Generals George Patton (left) and Omar Bradley (center) and British Field Marshal Bernard Montgomery. (U.S. Army)





British General Miles Dempsey.  
(National Archives)



U.S. General Carl "Toohey" Spaatz.  
(U.S. Army)



French General Charles de Gaulle leading the parade he organized after the liberation of Paris by the Allies. (National Archives)





Planning to storm the Rhine River. From left: Canadian General H. G. Crerar, British Field Marshal Bernard Montgomery, U.S. General William Simpson, and British Air Marshal Arthur Coningham. (National Archives)



British General Frederick "Boy" Browning.  
(National Archives)



U.S. General Courtney Hodges.  
(U.S. Army)