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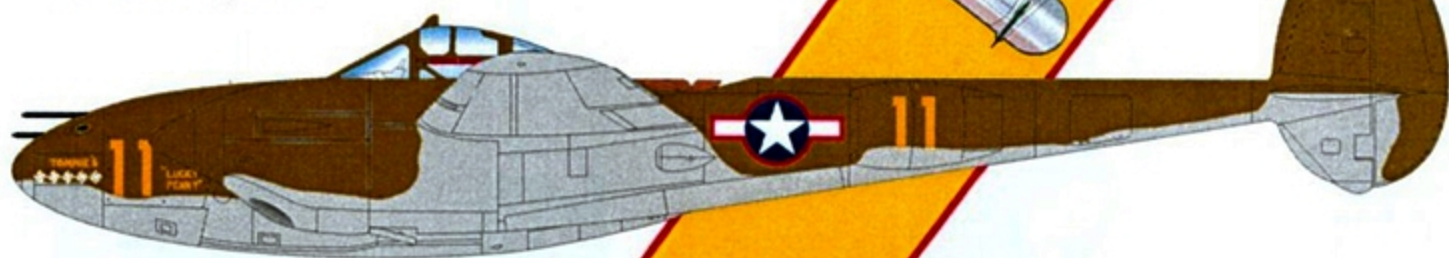
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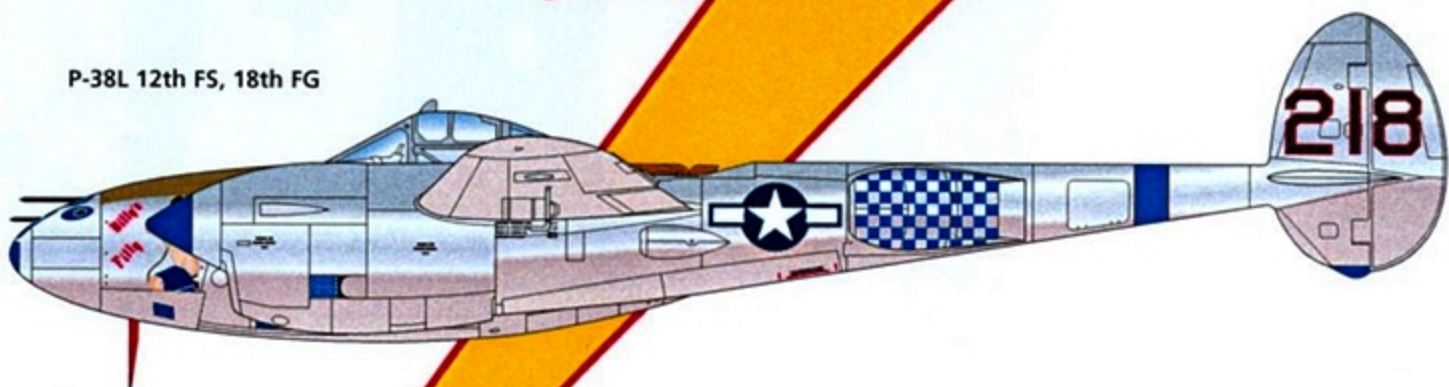
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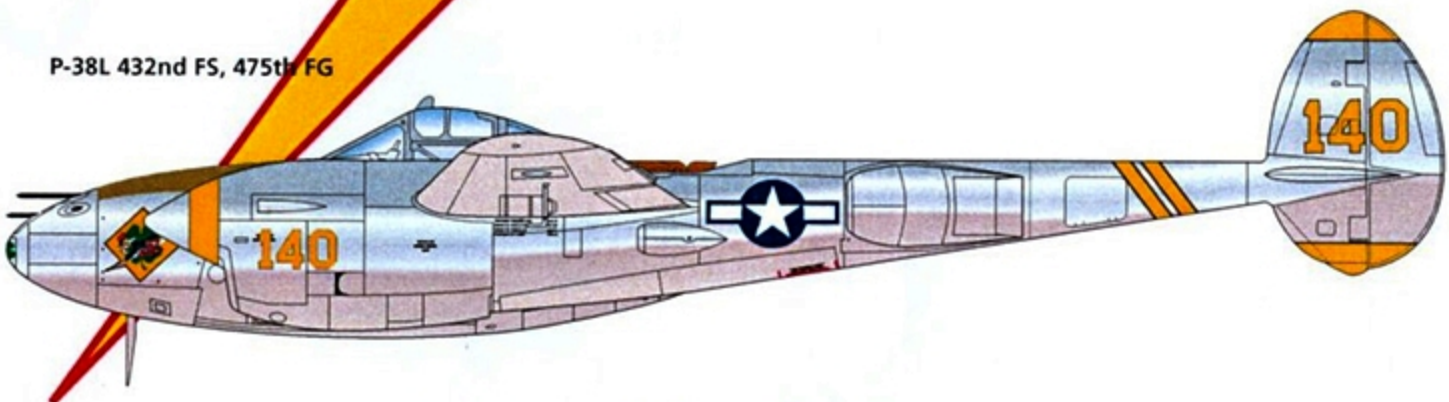
P-38G 48th FS, 14th FG



P-38L 12th FS, 18th FG



P-38L 432nd FS, 475th FG



Recommended kit:
Academy/Minicraft P-38
Hasegawa P-38

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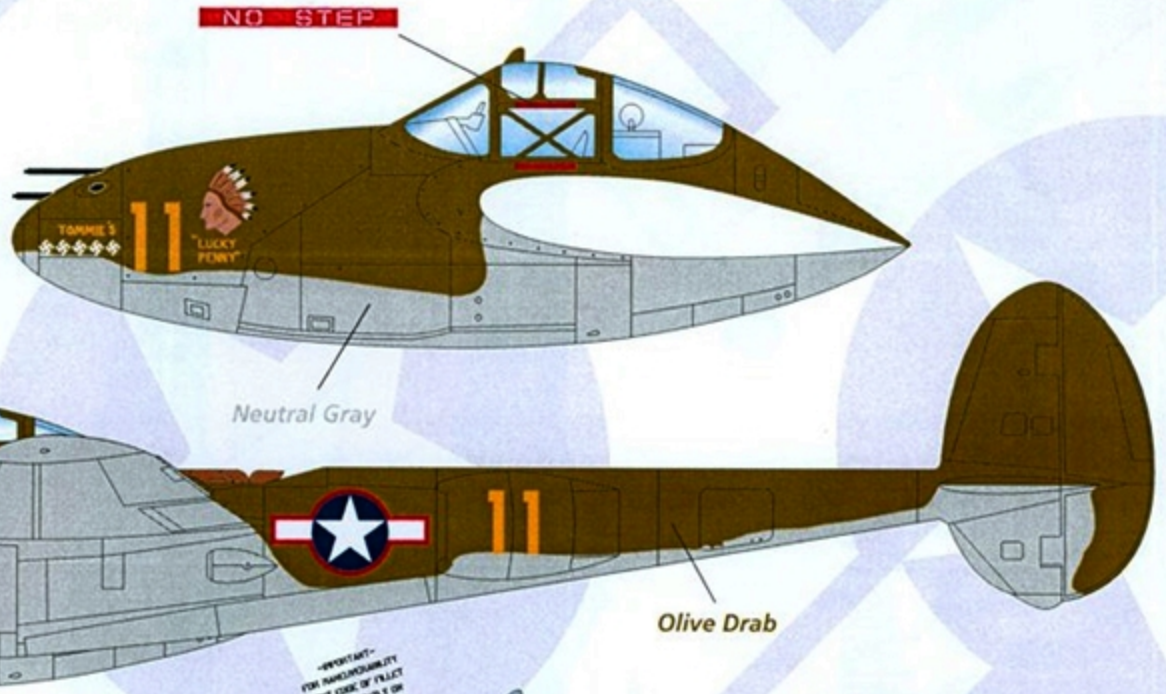
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P-38G

Lt. Sidney W. Weatherford
"TOMMIE'S/LUCKY PENNY"
48th FS, 14th FG
North Africa, August, 1943.



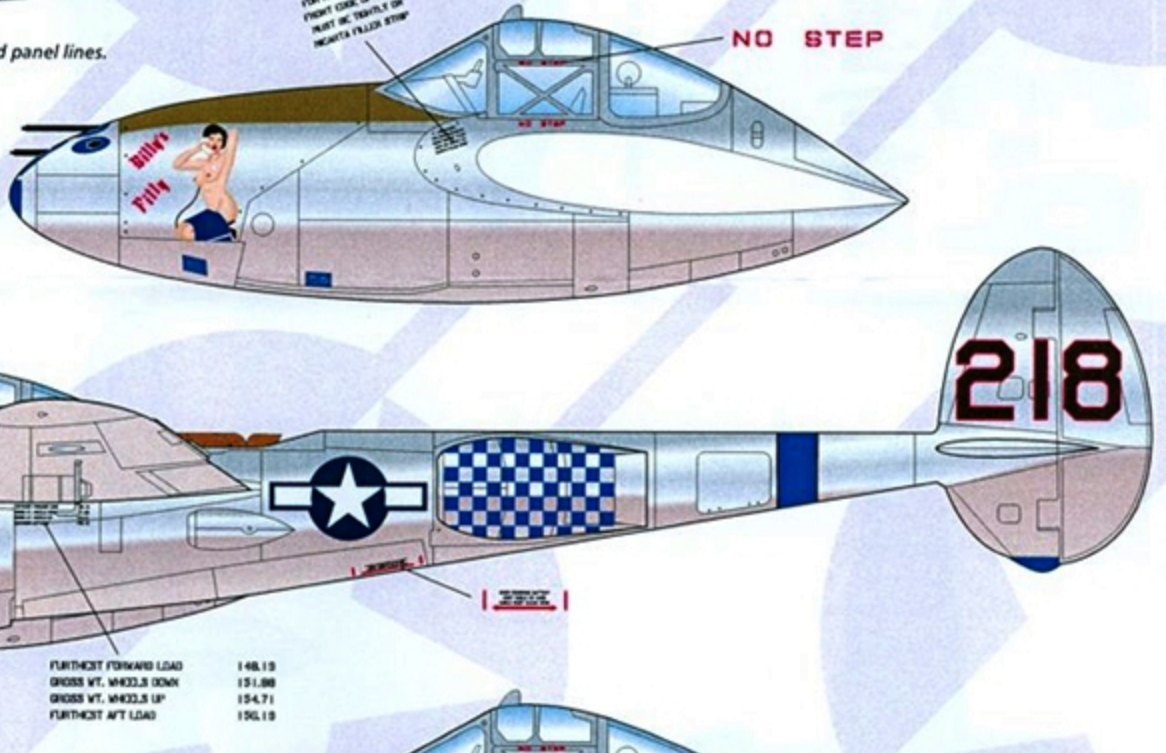
Remnants of tape adhesive around panel lines.

IMPORTANT - FOR HANDICAPABILITY PLEASE COORDINATE WITH THE TAIL OR HEAVY FILLER STRIP

NO STEP

P-38L-1

Lt. William Fowkes
"BILLY'S FILLY"
12th FS, 18th FG
Zamboanga, Philippines



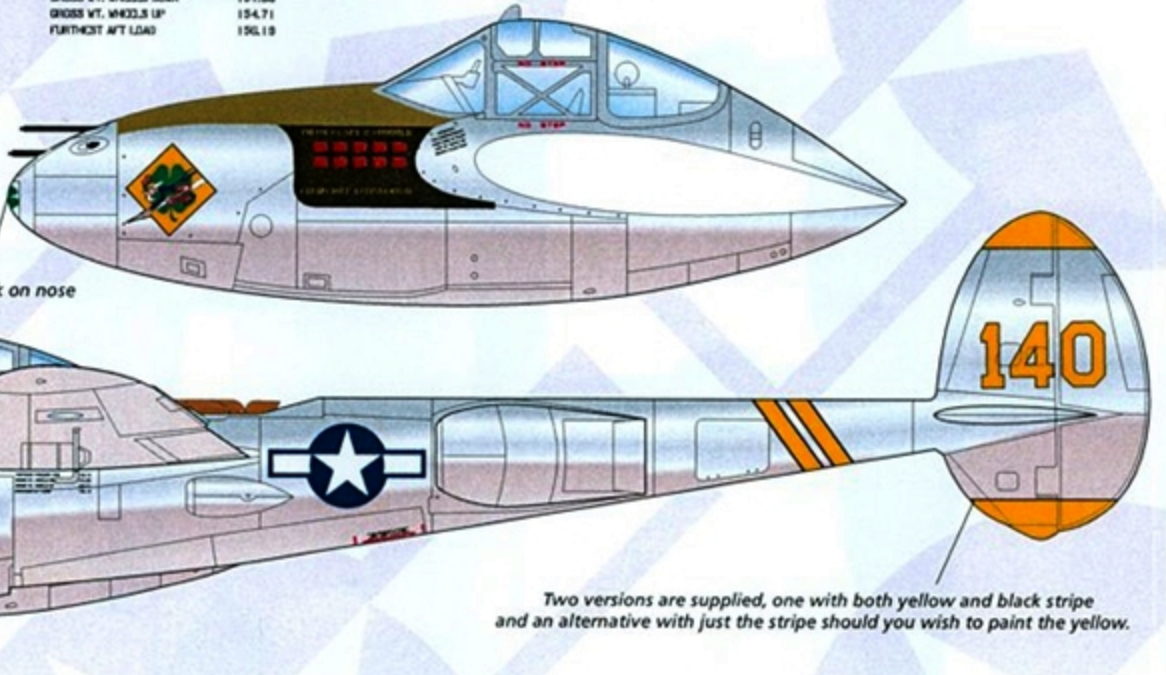
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FURTHEST FORWARD LOAD	148.18
GROSS WT. WHEELS DOWN	151.88
GROSS WT. WHEELS UP	154.71
FURTHEST AFT LOAD	156.18

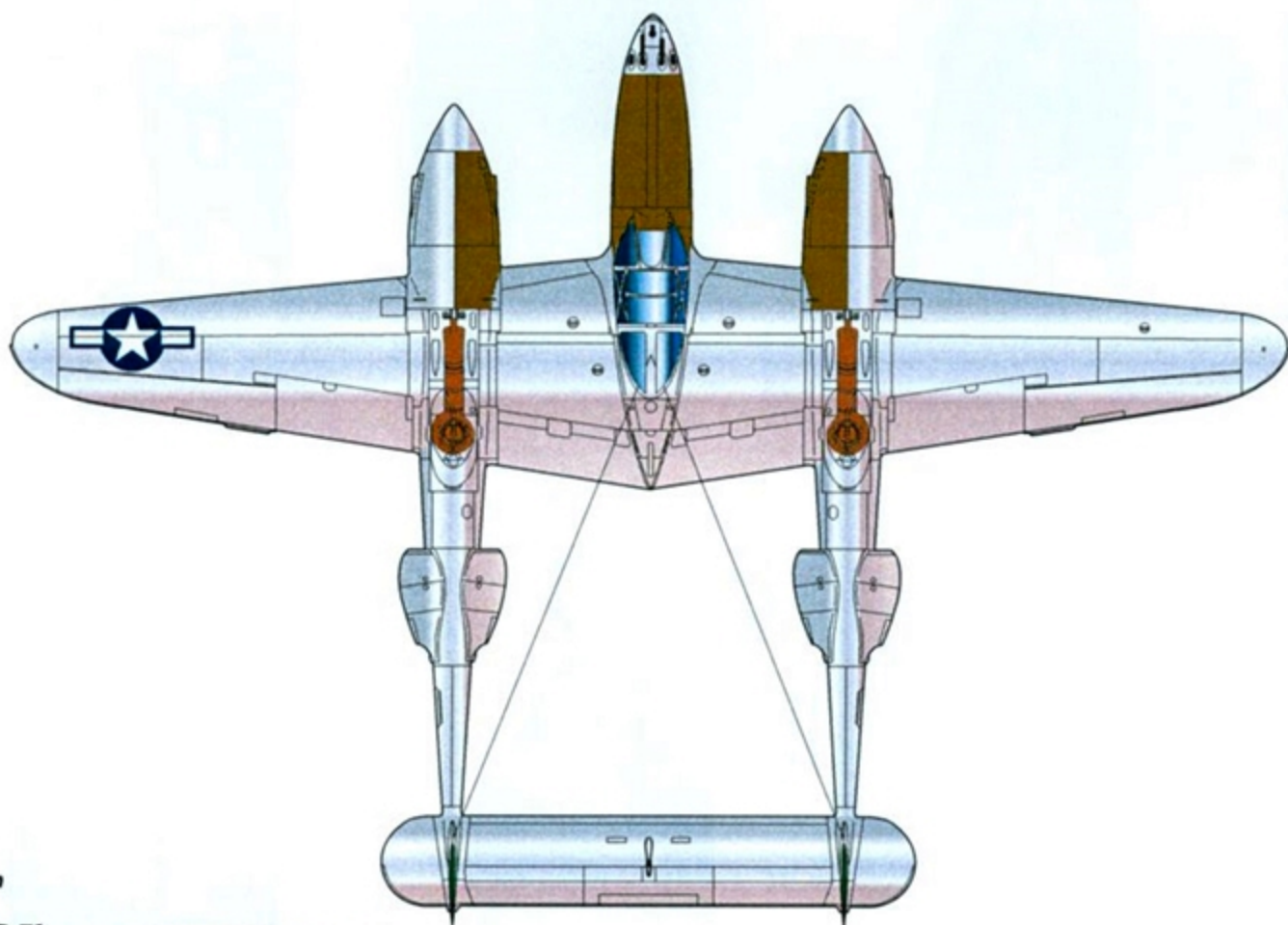
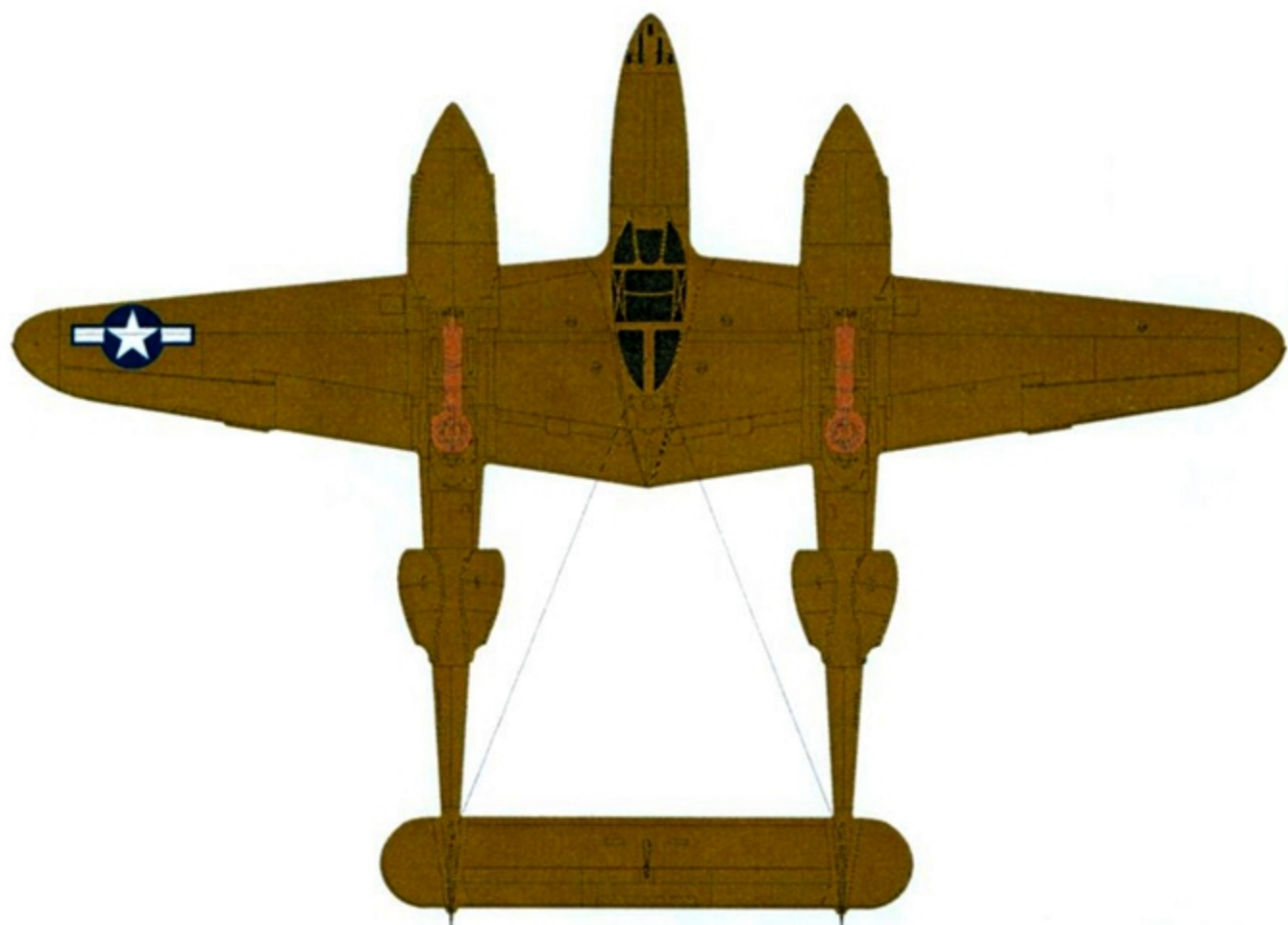
P-38L-5

Capt. Elliot Summer
44-25600
432nd FS, 475th FG
1945



Note shamrock on nose

Two versions are supplied, one with both yellow and black stripe and an alternative with just the stripe should you wish to paint the yellow.



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Yellow 11

- This aircraft was named after Weatherford's wife indicating his promise that he would turn up after his tour was finished.
- All of Weatherford's victories were scored from May 28 to August 26, 1943.
- References: #1

Black 218

- Note that the gondola antenna mast is painted red.
- References: #2

Yellow 140

- We do not know if the 432nd FS badge was applied to the right hand gun cover or not.
- References: #3

Applying the Decals

You probably already know all this stuff, so feel free to use your regular process; however, if you're new to aftermarket decals, here goes:

- Generally, use the Microscale Finishing System. We don't recommend extremely strong decal solvents such as Solvaset.
- Your model must have a smooth, glossy surface, as decals won't adhere well to matte surfaces. Use gloss paints or your favorite clear gloss overspray over matte or semigloss paint.
- Cut each subject out without trimming off the slight excess film (this helps the decal film disappear when dry).
- Put the decal in warm water that has a drop or two of liquid dishwashing soap or photo-flo for 10 seconds.
- When the decal will slide off the backing paper without forcing it, apply it to the proper position on your model. Slide the backing paper out from underneath.
- Gently blot off excess water and smooth out bubbles under the decal surface. If you wish, carefully brush on a mild decal softener such as Micro-Sol.
- When all decals are completely dry, gently wash off all excess decal adhesive.
- Finally, overcoat your model with a good quality gloss coat, followed by your choice of matte or eggshell clear topcoat.

FS 595 Color Cross Reference

Olive Drab	FS 4087 Xtracolor X111, Floquil 303108/303170/303263, Gunze Sangyo H304, Modelmaster 1711, Mr Color 304, Pro Modeler 88-0028
Neutral Gray	FS 6173 Xtracolor X158, Gunze Sangyo H053, Pro Modeler 88-0035, Floquil 303176

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