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William H. Cantwell, LTJG, USNR

(Naval Aviator #264)

William Henry Cantwell was born in Buffalo, New York on March 20, 1895. He attended Harvard University and was awarded a BS degree in 1917.

On June 15, 1917 he enrolled in the U. S. Navy at Boston, Massachusetts as a Seaman 2/c, while a student at Harvard University. After ground school at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, he went to Pensacola where he received flight training, his designation as Naval Aviator No. 264, and his commission as Ensign on January 21, 1918.

He was assigned to NAS Moutchic, France for gunnery and bombing training and then to the Northern Bombing Group headquartered at Paris. He returned to the U. S. at Bay Shore, Long Island, NY in December 1918. He was released from active duty on January 8, 1919 and Honorably Discharged on June 14, 1921 as a LTJG. He made his home in Bedford Village, N.Y. He attended the University of Colorado and earned an LLB degree in 1926.

He and his wife Virginia retired to Bedford Village, New York