AWARD CITATION

Surname, name and middle name SCHERBATYKH LEONID DMITRIEVICH

Rank Junior Lieutenant

3. Position and unit Flight commander, 368 fighter aviation regiment.

is recommended for order "RED BANNER"

4. Birth year 1922

5. Nationality Russian

6. Party membership None party member

Central front 25.06.1943 - 02.04.1944; 1 Baltic front 10.10.1944 - 05.01.1945; Participation in the civil war and later in defence of USSR, in Patriotic

3 Belorussian front since 05.01.1945.

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9 In Red Army service since 1940

10. Drafted by which induction station Borisoglebsk district military commissariat

11. Previous awards <u>None</u>

Awardee's and his family permanent home address intentionally obscured

I. Brief and specific description of the personal feat or merits

During his service in the regiment, he proved himself as a courageous, skilled fighter pilot, and a capable commander and leader of his subordinates.

During the period of the regiment formation, being one of the flight commanders, he trained well and prepared his flying and the technical ground personnel for the combat missions. The flight conducted well two long relocation flights, each up to 1200km without landing.

He participated as a pilot in the Orel operation, where he conducted 19 successful combat missions: 12 reconnaissance missions and 7 for escorting reconnaissance planes. In the East-Prussia campaign, he flew as a flight commander. His flight conducted 20 successful combat missions with total of 24 hours of flying time. He personally made 15 combat sorties with 20 hours of flying time. He participated in the strikes against the enemy troops in Danzig, Heiligenbeil, port Pillau, Rosenberg, and the Hel Peninsula. In the bomber escort mission on 22 March 1945, he was attacked by a superior enemy fighter group of up to 20 Fw-190 and Me-109. Comrade SCHRERBATYKH boldly attacked them confusing their combat formation and thus allowing our bombers to finish their mission and return home without losses.

He has received 2 gratitudes from the Supreme Commander STALIN for capturing towns Heiligenbeil and Danzig.

For exemplary execution of the combat objectives, he deserves state award - order "RED BANNER".

Commander of 368 fighter aviation regiment

04 April 1945 Major signature /ZHULIN/



II. Conclusion of the superiors

He deserves order "RED BANNER"

Commander 334 bomber aviation division Guards Colonel signature /BELIJ/

15 April 1945

III. Conclusion of Army Military Council

He deserves order "RED BANNER"

Commander of 6 bomber aviation corps
Colonel signature /SKOK/

19 April 1945

IV. Conclusion of the Front Military Council

V. Conclusion of the award commission

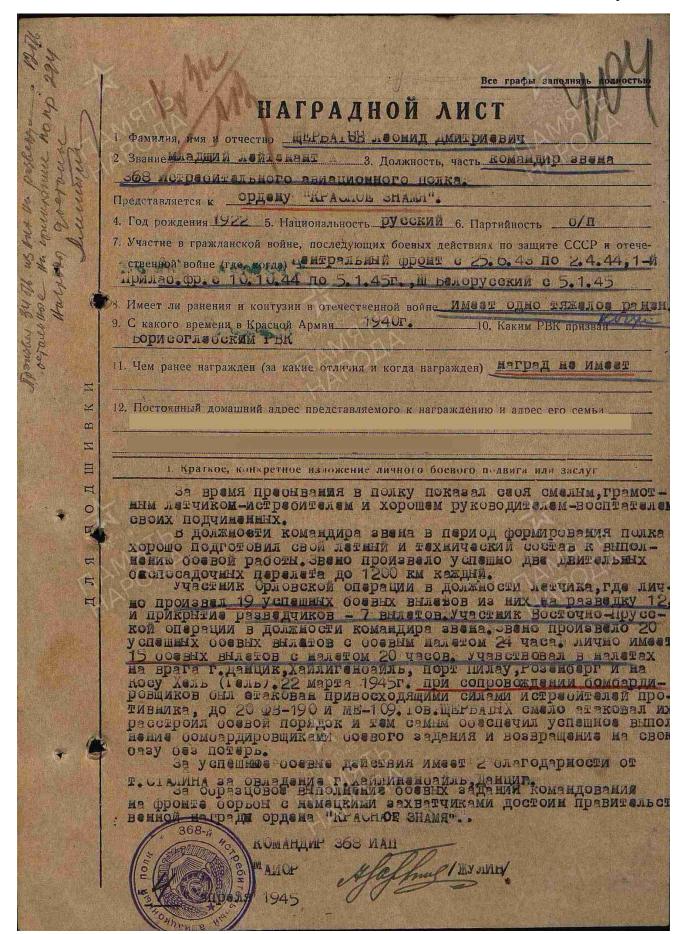
VI. Award record

Awarded with order "RED BANNER" by the decree # 219/n issued by 16 Airforce on 30 April 1945.

Head of 2nd section of personnel department
Major signature /KORDYUKOV/

09 May 1945





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