



- (U) This logo was designed to commemorate the many heroic acts and sacrifices that have been made to protect our way of life as Americans.
- (U) The Eagle is our symbol of Freedom. In the L-82 Logo he is wearing the traditional flight gear of a WWII Fighter Ace, specifically Gregory "Pappy" Boyington. On the flight suit, there is a patch containing the GPB for Pappy Boyington; the three stars beneath the patch honor those who have served, are serving, or will serve to preserve America's way of life. Tattooed on the Eagle's arm is the word SISU, a mystical Finnish word roughly translated as strength of will, determination, perseverance, and acting rationally in the face of adversity: true grit. SISU is not momentary courage, but the ability to sustain courage; a trait found in every American Hero.
- (U) In the background you will find an F4U Corsair, the aircraft that "Pappy" Boyington flew while in the Marine Corps. As a WWII Fighter Pilot, he was awarded the Medal of Honor, Navy Cross, and Purple Heart for his heroism and dedication, and ACE Fighter Pilot skills. The Eagle is standing in front of an American Flag depicted waving; a symbol of victory and freedom. The stars in the sky above the flag are there to signify that our warfighters are out there 24/7 to protect the flag and all it stands for. Finally, we have the Latin phrase TACITAE LIBERTATIS CUSTODEMQUE, which ties our entire logo theme together in its translation: Silent Guardians of Freedom.

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