Rear Admiral Edward Lewis Whitey Feightner was a retired United States Navy officer who fought in a number of significant battles in the World War II Pacific Theater of Operations during two combat tours. He shot down nine enemy aircraft to become a flying ace and was an early member of the Blue Angels Flight Demonstration Squadron and flew the lead solo position. Lieutenant Commander Edward Henry "Butch" O'Hare was an American Naval Aviator of the United States Navy who on February 20, 1942 became the Navy's first flying ace when he single handedly attacked a formation of nine heavy bombers approaching his aircraft carrier even though he had a limited amount of ammunition he managed to shoot down or damage.