

SHOOTING STAR - IN FOCUS Photographic History of the Lockheed F-80/T33 Series

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The F-80 Shooting Star was the first American jet fighter to see large scale service. Designed in the closing stages of World War II, it became one of the principal jet fighters in the early days of the Korean War and was responsible for shooting down a MiG 15 in the first jet versus jet combat. Amazingly the design is still in service as a training aircraft designated the T-33 and some air forces intend to keep it flying well into the next century.

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