AFPPA-11

File # 9055

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: ADAMS, Harry N.
Rank: Cpl.
Serial number: 34339107
Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~xxxxFlight/Engineer~~: Armorer-Gunner

Did he bail out? Dont know for sure but there was ~~two~~ no sign of any one when I came from tail position

Where? Dont know

If not, why not? Dont know

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: He came back and got a cigarette from me about 10 mins from ~~flack~~ flak area

Was he injured? I dont know

Where was he when last seen? At the right waist position

Any hearsay information:

Source:

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: He was careless about wearing his chute and he might have been blown out off the edge without it on

Total number of missions of above crew member: 5 or 6

Dates and destinations if possible: His first was Munich and his last Blackheimmer. No dates. Last Mission Blackheimmer Germany Oct, 13, 1944

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File # 9055

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: BARTHOLOW, Ralph
Rank: Sgt.
Serial number: 35755660
Position: Crew (Bomber) or ~~Flight (Fighter)~~: Engineer-Gunner

Did he bail out? Dont know as he was upfront and plane was cut in half

Where? Dont know

If not, why not? " "

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: On the ground just before we entered plane.

Was he injured? Dont know

Where was he when last seen? I last seen him on ground

Any hearsay information:

Source:

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: As in the case of the rest of the forward crew members I believe he was killed by terrific explosion

Total number of missions of above crew member: 5 or 6

Dates and destinations if possible: Dont know

Last Mission Blechhammer Germany
Oct. 13, 1944

6-3861, AF

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INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE File # 9055

Name of crew member: BESSEE, Robert F.
Rank: Sgt.
Serial number: 17088061
Position: Crew (Bomber) or ~~Flight or Ferry~~: Radio Operator-Gunner

Did he bail out? I think that he was the third chute that I saw in the air but am not sure

Where? If he was it was about directly over Blankhemmen

If not, why not?

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: As I left to go to my tail gun position I spoke to him.

Was he injured? Dont know

Where was he when last seen? At the waist gun (left waist)

Any hearsay information:

Source:

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: When I bailed out I saw two chutes other than my own which I belisve were from a plane one which was way down and another fairly close and at the time I thoght it was Bob Bessee's.

Total number of missions of above crew member: 5 or 6

Dates and destinations if possible: Dont know

Last Mission Blankhemmen Germany
Oct. 13, 1944

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INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: BRAY, George M.
Rank: F/O
Serial number: T 3356
Position: Crew (Bomber) or ~~Flight (Fighter)~~: Bombardier

Did he bail out? Dont know because of plane being cut in half

Where? " "

If not, why not? " "

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: On ground (also over interphone at 10 min checkups) where we were all talking together

Was he injured? Dont know

Where was he when last seen? Dont know

Any hearsay information: —

Source:

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: Can only guess that he suffered the same fate as the rest in the forward part of the plane as result of explosion

Total number of missions of above crew member: 5 or 6

Dates and destinations if possible: Dont know

Last Mission Blackheimmer Germany
Oct. 13, 1944

6-3861, AF

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INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE File # 9055

Name of crew member: DEAL, Jack J.
Rank: Sgt.
Serial number: 15102213
Position: Crew (Bomber) or ~~Flight (Fighter)~~: Armorer-Gunner

Did he bail out? Dont know

Where? " "

If not, why not? " "

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: Just before I went to my tail gun position.

Was he injured? Dont know

Where was he when last seen? I last seen him just before he entered ball turrett to test fire guns

Any hearsay information: Some ~~other~~ member of another crew told my nose gunner while in prison camp that ~~they~~ he seen the ball turrett go sailing down by itself.

Source: Some engineer whose name I dont remember

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: ———

Total number of missions of above crew member: I believe he had 2 as he was injured on his first and grounded for 5 days.

Dates and destinations if possible: Dont know

Last Mission Blackhammer Germany Oct 13, 1944

6-3861, AF

AFPPA-11

File # 9055

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: FAJANS, Walter T. Jr.
Rank: F/O
Serial number: T 127049
Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~(Fighter)~~ Navigator

Did he bail out? Dont know as plane was seperated at the waist window

Where? "

If not, why not? "

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: I last talked to him on the ground before entering plane.

Was he injured? Dont know

Where was he when last seen? Dont know

Any hearsay information:

Source:

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: Again I can only presume he was killed or too badly injured too get out as results of explosion

Total number of missions of above crew member: 5 or 6

Dates and destinations if possible: Cant remember

Last Mission Blackheimmer Germany
Oct. 13, 1944

6-3861, AF

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File # 9055

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: WIAM, Millard G.
Rank: 2nd Lt.
Serial number: 0925818
Position: Crew (Bomber) or Flight (Fighter): Co-Pilot

Did he bail out? I dont know as plane was halved by explosion

Where? ?.

If not, why not? ?.

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: On the ground before entering plane. Just everyday talk

Was he injured? Dont know

Where was he when last seen? I last seen him on ground (No other information

Any hearsay information:

Source:

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: Same as the pilot (Meyers) I believe he was instntly killed by direct hit under flight deck.

Total number of missions of above crew member: 5 or 6

Dates and destinations if possible: Cant remember as every one flew with some other crew.
Last Miesion Blackheimmer Germany Oct. 13 1944

6-3861, AF

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File # 9055

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: MEYER, Dorenz H.
Rank: 2nd Lt.
Serial number: 0925828
Position: Crew (Bomber) or ~~Flight (Fighter)~~: Pilot

Did he bail out? Dont Know as plane was cut off at Waist

Where? ?

If not, why not? ?

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: Probably there was a few words concerning the flight but I am not sure

Was he injured?

Where was he when last seen? I last seen him just before we entered the plane. *

Any hearsay information:

Source:

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: I can only suppose that he was killed instantly as we had a direct hit just about under the flight deck.

Total number of missions of above crew member: I believe he had 6

Dates and destinations if possible: I dont remember as everyone of us was on with some one ~~else~~ other crew for the first five Last Mission Oct. 13 1944 — Blechhammer Germany

6-3861, AF

9055

A.V. 1627/45

Information on the death and burial of a member of the Armed Forces

Name	3 Amer. flier
Rank	not ascertainable
Unit	not ascertainable
Date of birth	not ascertainable
Place of birth	not ascertainable
Place of death	Blechhammer O/S
Nationality	American
Cause of death	injury
Kind of injury	crash of airplane
Place of burial	Blechhammer
Buried on	15 Oct. 1944
Cemetery of honor	s. drawing
Injury afflicted by Air raid	on 13 Oct. 1944
Buried in	Garrison section Cosel O/S.
Address of kin	unknown

Blechhammer O/S. 16 Oct. 1944

Illegible

Maj. and Det. Commander

DL-55- 13 Oct 44- Burial 15 Oct 44-
Blechhammer O.S.
49/51
H 134- 13 Oct 44-
Grave 198
Americans

1182

B Ray, George T-3[illegible]

Bartholow, Ralph [illegible]

Pujans, Walter T. T-127 [illegible]

Sgt. Berk, Lansburg [illegible]

POW Crew 9060 EVS

Crew #9060

Date and Time Aircraft was shot down..... 13 October 1944 at 1200

Place of crash Area Blechhammer

Type of Aircraft: L i b e r a t o r

Reporting Office Airbase Headquarter E (V) 211/VII

Name		Rank	Serial Number	captured wounded dead	Place of Internment
CROTTIE 24 Dec.22	George W. USA	Sgt	31254669	captured	Dulag Luft West
?LETZ 16 Nov.16	Harold Rufus USA	Sgt	33758216	captured	Dulag Luft West
MEYERS	Derens	2nd Lt		dead	
?AJANS	Walther	F/O	T 127049	dead	
BRAY	George M.	F/O	T 3356	dead	
?ARTHOLOW	Ralph	Sgt	35755660	dead	

6 November 1944

MACR 9055
B-24

AAF 42-78605 ME2240
10 men

Date and Time Aircraft was shot down.....	13 October 1944 at 1200
Place of crash	Area Blechhammer
Type of Aircraft:	L i b e r a t o r
Reporting Office	Airbase Headquarter E (V) 211/VII

Name	Rank	Serial Number	captured wounded dead	Place of Internment	
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PLETZ Harold Rufus 16 Nov.16 USA	Sgt	33758216	captured	Dulag Luft West	
MEYERS Dorenz H.	2nd Lt		dead	— KIA	4 KIA
SAJANS Walther T. JR.	F/O	T 129049	dead	— KIA	
BRAY George M.	F/O	T 3356	dead	— KIA	
BARTHOLOW Ralph	Sgt	35755660	dead	— KIA	

Hiam, Millard G. O-925818
Bessee, Robert F. 17,088,061 - KIA
Adams, Harry N. 34,449,107 - KIA
Deal, Jack J. 15,102,213 - KIA

6 November 1944

KSU 2240

Downing of a Liberator on 13 Oct. 1944, Time 1130, in the area south of Ehrenforst near Heydebreck O/S.

Name: M E Y E R, Dorenz H. — Dead - KIA
ASN : T 125000 0925826
Rank: F/O

Name: F A J A N S, Jr., T. Walther — Dead - KIA
ASN : T - 127049 T 43-44 O

Name: B R A Y, George M. — Dead - KIA
ASN : T 3356 T 43-44 B

Name: B A R T H O L O W, Ralph — Dead - KIA
ASN : 35755660 T 43 44 A

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~~by E. A. BRACURAS, Lt. Col., AG~~
~~by F. M. [illegible], Capt., AG~~
~~Date MAR 15 1945~~

MISSING AIR CREW REPORT

9055

1. ORGANIZATION: Location San Giovanni Air Fld, Italy Command or Air Force 15th AF
   Group 455th Bombardment (H) Squadron 743rd Bombardment (H)
2. SPECIFY: Place of departure San Giovanni Air Fld, Italy Course Direct
   Target 50°18' N - 18°15' E Type of mission Combat
3. WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY AT TIME OF CRASH OR WHEN LAST REPORTED:
   .2 Strata Cumulus Visibility 15 Miles
4. GIVE: (a) Date 13 Oct 44 Time 1133 Last known position 50°18'N - 18°15'E
   (b) Specify whether: (X) Last sighted, ( ) Forced down, ( ) Seen to crash,
   ( ) Last contacted by radio, ( ) No information.
5. AIRCRAFT (LOST) (BELIEVED LOST) AS A RESULT OF: (Check one only)
   ( ) Enemy aircraft, (X) Enemy anti-aircraft, ( ) Other
6. AIRCRAFT: Type, model & series B 24 J AAF Serial Number 42-78605
7. NICKNAME OF AIRCRAFT Not named.
8. ENGINES: Type, model & series R 1830 65A AAF Serial Number (a) BP-446271
   (b) BP-446095 (c) BP-446329 (d) BP-445748.
9. INSTALLED WEAPONS: (Make, type and serial number.)
   (a) 50 Cal M2 1259096 (e) 50 Cal M2 1259077 (i) 50 Cal M2 1231036
   (b) " 1259127 (f) " 1259040 (j) " 1259235
   (c) " 1259110 (g) " 554250 (k)
   (d) " 1256785 (h) " 554345 (l)
10. PERSONNEL LISTED BELOW REPORTED AS: (X) Battle Casualty, ( ) Non-Battle Casualty
11. NUMBER OF PERSONS ABOARD AIRCRAFT: Crew 10 ; Passengers 0 ; Total
    (If more than 12 persons aboard aircraft, use separate sheet.)

	CREW POSITION	FULL NAME (Last, first, initial) RANK, SERIAL NUMBER	CURRENT STATUS	NEXT OF KIN, RELATIONSHIP AND ADDRESS
K/A (1)	Pilot	Meyer, Dorenz H. 2d Lt., 0925828	MIA	Mr Henry F. Meyer (Father) RFD 4, Napoleon, Ohio
DRD (2)	Co-pilot	Hiam, Millard G. 2d Lt., 0925818	MIA	Mrs. Caroline Hiam (Mother) 129 Riverside Ave., Buffalo, N.Y.
K/A (3)	Navigator	Fajans, Walter T. Jr. F/O, T127049	MIA	Mr Walter T Fajans Sr., (Father) 104-54 115th St, Richmond Hill, N.Y.
K/A (4)	Bombardier	Bray, George M F/O, T3356	MIA	Mrs Florence Anne Bray (Wife) 1517 So 33rd St., Omaha, Nebraska.
DRD (5)	Radio O Gunner	Bessee, Robert F. Sgt., 17088061	MIA	Mrs Grace E. Bessee (Mother) 310 So Race St., Denver, Colo.
K/A (6)	Engineer Gunner	Bartholow, Ralph Sgt., 35755660	MIA	Mrs. Hazel J. Bartholow (Mother) 409 Diamond St., Fairmont, W. Va.
DRD (7)	Armorer Gunner	Adams, Harry N. Cpl., 34339107	MIA	Mrs Ina R Adams (Mother) 102 Whitman St., Montgomery, Ala.
EUS (8)	Armorer Gunner	Bletz, Harold R. Sgt., 33758216	MIA	Mrs Eloise M Bletz (Wife) RD #1, c/o Glen Stiver, Millhall, Pa.
EUS (9)	Armorer Gunner	Crottie, George W. Sgt., 31254669	MIA	Mrs. Nora T. Crottie, (Mother) 19 Moreland Ave., Brattleboro, Vt.
DRD (10)	Armorer Gunner	Deal, Jack J. K/A Sgt., 15102213	MIA	Mr Ross W. Deal (Father) 620 E Battell St., Mishawaka, Indiana.
	(11)			
	(12)			

12. IDENTIFY BELOW THOSE PERSONS WHO ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE LAST KNOWLEDGE OF AIRCRAFT AND CHECK APPROPRIATE (one only) COLUMN TO INDICATE BASIS FOR SAME:

	NAME IN FULL	RANK	SERIAL NO.	CONTACTED BY RADIO	LAST SIGHTED	SAW CRASH	FORCED LANDING
(1)	KERMES, ROBERT J.	1st Lt	0749780		X		
(2)							
(3)							

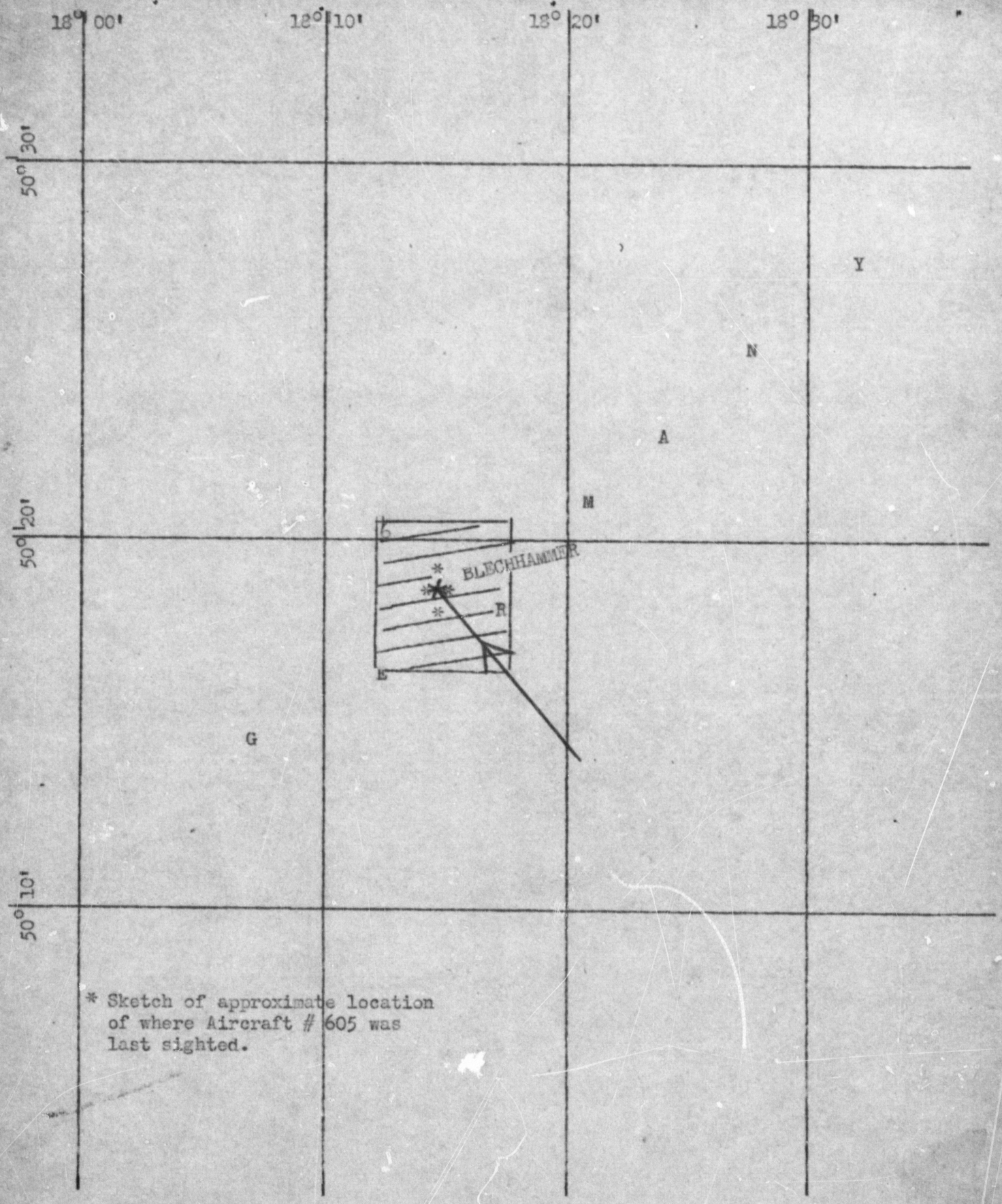
13. IF PERSONNEL ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE SURVIVED, CHECK ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:
    (X) Parachutes were used. ( ) Persons were seen walking away from the scene of the crash.
    ( ) Other reasons (specify)
14. ATTACH PHOTOGRAPH, MAP OR SKETCH SHOWING LAST KNOWN LOCATION OF AIRCRAFT.
15. ATTACH EYEWITNESS DESCRIPTIONS OF CRASH, FORCED LANDING, OR OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES.
16. ATTACH A DESCRIPTION OF EXTENT OF SEARCH, IF ANY, AND GIVE NAME, RANK AND SERIAL NUMBER OF OFFICER IN CHARGE OF SEARCH HERE. No search.

2 Inclosures.
Incl 1 - Sketch of Area
Incl 2 - Statement by Lt Kermes.

Date 15 October 1944

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Phillip F. Starkman
Signature of preparing officer
PHILLIP F. STARKMAN
Captain, Air Corps
Adjutant.



* Sketch of approximate location of where Aircraft # 605 was last sighted.

and #1 MACK 2ND LT MEYERS' CREW

gms/12/28-44

2nd Lt. Durenn H. Meyer	Mr. Henry F. Meyer, (father) Rural Free Delivery Four, Napoleon, Ohio.
2nd Lt. Millard G. Hiam	Mrs. Caroline Hiam, (mother) 129 Riverside Avenue, Buffalo, New York.
F/O Walter T. Fajans, Jr.	Mr. Walter T. Fajans, Sr., (father) 103-54 115 Street, Richmond Hill, New York.
F/O George M. Bray	Mrs. Florence A. Bray, (wife) 1527 South 33rd Street, Omaha, Nebraska.
Sgt. Robert F. Bussee 371	Mr. Charles W. Bussee, (father) 310 South Race Street, Denver, Colorado.
Sgt. Ralph Bartholow 371	Mrs. Hazel J. Bartholow, (mother) 409 Diamond Street, Fairmont, West Virginia.
Sgt. Harold R. Bleke	Mrs. Miola M. Bleke, (wife) Rural Delivery Number One, % Glen Shiver, Millhall, Pennsylvania.
Sgt. George W. Crottie	Mrs. Nora T. Crottie, (mother) 19 Moreland Avenue, Brattleboro, Vermont.
Sgt. Jack J. Deal	Mr. Ross W. Deal, (father) 620 East Battell Street, Mishawaka, Indiana.
Cpl. Harry H. Adams	Mrs. Ina R. Adams, (mother) 102 Whitman Street, Montgomery, Alabama.

Nationality: USA

Name: 3 Unknown

Rank: Flyers

Dead

Delay and Changes: Died 13 Oct 44, Blechhammer O/S.

Place of Grave: 15 Oct 44, Blechhammer

Reported by: PW Sec. Blechhammer O/S, 16 Oct 44

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A.V. 1628/45
Dead List No. 55
Serial No. 49-51

4. (A) On 13 Oct. 1944 after 12,00 o'clock near Ehrenforst

(B) Sgt. Blesie, Harold Ident. No. 33 788 218 - T-45-44

(C) Captured

(D) Liberator B-24

(E) Admission No: Not ascertainable

(F) Identification No: Not ascertainable

(G) By antiaircraft on 14 Oct. 1944 at 2,00 o'clock was delivered to Cherursel

Result: Crew members 4-10 Witnesses enemy machine No. 3 -

Blitz, Harold R.

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AFPPA-12

CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

PPP-8 (22)

1. Your name George W. Crottie Rank Sgt Serial No. 31254667

2. Organization 455th-743rd Sq. Gp Commander ? Rank ~~Col~~. Sqn CO ? Rank Maj.
(full name) (full name)

3. What year 1944 month October day 13 did you go down?

4. What was the mission, Bleichhammer (synthetic) Germany, target, Oil Factorys, target time, 1150, altitude, 24,000 Ft. route scheduled, ?
, route flown ?

5. Whers were you when you left formation? Didnt Leave Formation

6. Did you bail out? Yes

7. Did other members of crew bail out? Two Other Chutes besides mine opened up below me.

8. Tell all you know about when, where, how each person in your aircraft for whom no individual questionnaire is attached bailed out. A crew list is attached. Please give facts. If you don't know, say: "No Knowledge". The nose gunners turrett was shot off and he had to fight to get out but I belive he had his chute open before I did.

9. Where did your aircraft strike the ground? I dont know

10. What members of your crew were in the aircraft when it struck the ground? (Should cross check with 8 above and individual questionnaires) All that was left of the plane as far as I know was from the tail to the waist windows and not one was there.

11. Where were they in aircraft? — — —

12. What was their condition? — — — —

13. When, where, and in what condition did you last see any members not already described above? When I left the waist window to go back to my position in the tail and left Radio (Harry) and Bob Bergel waist gunners and Jack Ball Ball gunner. about a half hour after take-off.

14. Please give any similar information on personnel of any other crew of which you have knowledge. Indicate source of information. None

(Any additional information may be written on the back) a-1

6-3862, AF

CASUALTY NO.
MS-KNU-2240

REPORT ON SHOT-DOWN AIRCRAFT

DATE AND TIME AIRCRAFT WAS SHOT DOWN: 13 Oct. 1944 between 11-13 o'clock

PLACE OF CRASH: Ehrenforst O/S (Upper Silesia)

TYPE OF AIRCRAFT: Liberator B-24

REPORTING OFFICE: Flier's Air Base Local Headquarters E (V) 211/VIII - Gleiwitz - 13 Oct. 1944 at 21,10 o'clock.

CREW

SURNAME, AND FIRST NAME: Bletz, Harold R.

DATE OF BIRTH:

RANK: Sergeant

SERIAL NUMBER: 33 758 216 - T-43-44

CAPTURED: Captured WOUNDED: DEAD:
Near Ehrenforst on 13 Oct. 1944 after 12,00 o'clock.
DISTRIBUTION: WHICH CAMP: TYPE OF INJURY:

GRAVE LOCATION:

REMARKS:

Ernst.

S-3336.AF(6)

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CASUALTY NO.
MR-K&D-2240

REPORT ON SHOT-DOWN AIRCRAFT

DATE AND TIME AIRCRAFT WAS SHOT DOWN: 13 Oct. 1944 - (hour not known)

PLACE OF CRASH: In area of Ehrenforst/Heydebreck/Bischofstal, O/S (Upper Silesia)

TYPE OF AIRCRAFT: Liberator B-24

REPORTING OFFICE: Flier's Air Base Local Headquarters B (V) 211/VIII - Gleiwitz - 15 Oct. 1944 at 22,00 o'clock.

CREW

SURNAME, AND FIRST NAME: Crottie, George W.

DATE OF BIRTH:

RANK: Sergeant

SERIAL NUMBER: Identification tag missing (identification number from prisoner of war statement)

CAPTURED: Captured WOUNDED: DEAD:

DISTRIBUTION: WHICH CAMP: transferred to Dulag (Luft)Oberursel on 14 Oct. 1944 at 2,00 o'clock from Gleiwitz TYPE OF INJURY:

GRAVE LOCATION:

REMARKS:

Transferred by II Antiaircraft Division Ehrenforst -(place and time not known)

Ernst.

G-3224.AF(6)

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CASUALTY NO.
MR-KSU-2240

REPORT ON SHOT-DOWN AIRCRAFT

DATE AND TIME AIRCRAFT
WAS SHOT DOWN: 13 Oct. 1944 around 11:30 o'clock

PLACE OF CRASH: 50 meters in forest on road Gr. Jagen 4/5 South of railway station Ehrenforst-Klein Althammer, District Cosel O/S.

TYPE OF AIRCRAFT: Liberator

REPORTING OFFICE: Flier's Air Base Local Headquarters E (V) 211/VIII Gleiwitz - 21 Oct. 1944 (Section)

CREW

SURNAME, AND FIRST NAME: Unknown "

DATE OF BIRTH:

RANK: "

SERIAL NUMBER: "

CAPTURED: WOUNDED: DEAD: Dead

DISTRIBUTION: WHICH CAMP: TYPE OF INJURY:

GRAVE LOCATION: Buried on 18 Oct. 1944 forest (first) Klein-Althammer, Jagen 52. (Section)

REMARKS:

CASUALTY NO.
ME-KSU-2240

REPORT ON SHOT-DOWN AIRCRAFT

DATE AND TIME AIRCRAFT
WAS SHOT DOWN: 13 Oct. 1944 around 11:30 o'clock

PLACE OF CRASH: 50 meters in the forest on highway Gross Jagen 4/5 South of railway station Ehrenforest-Klein Althammer, District Cosel, O/S

TYPE OF AIRCRAFT: Liberator -- Serial No. 278605 - Type of Aircraft No. 605

REPORTING OFFICE: Flier's Air Base Local Headquarters E (V) 211/VIII -Gleiwitz - 21 Oct. 1944 (Section).

CREW

SURNAME, AND FIRST NAME: Unknown "

DATE OF BIRTH:

RANK: "

SERIAL NUMBER: "

CAPTURED: WOUNDED: DEAD: Dead

DISTRIBUTION: WHICH CAMP: TYPE OF INJURY:

GRAVE LOCATION: Buried on 18 Oct. 1944 Forest (Forst) Klein-Althammer, Jagen 52. (Section)

REMARKS:

6-3324.AF(6)

49 3154

CASUALTY NO.
MR-KSU-2240

REPORT ON SHOT-DOWN AIRCRAFT

DATE AND TIME AIRCRAFT WAS SHOT DOWN: 13 Oct. 1944 around 11.30 o'clock

PLACE OF CRASH: 50 meters in forest on road Gross Jagen 4/5 South of railway station, Ehrenforst-Klein, Althammer District Cosel O/S.

TYPE OF AIRCRAFT: Liberator - Serial No. 278605 - Type of Aircraft No. 605

REPORTING OFFICE: Flier's Air Base Local Headquarters E (V) 211/VIII - Gleiwitz, 21 Oct. 1944 (Section)

CREW

SURNAME, AND FIRST NAME: Unknown *

DATE OF BIRTH:

RANK: *

SERIAL NUMBER: *

CAPTURED: WOUNDED: DEAD: Dead

DISTRIBUTION: WHICH CAMP: TYPE OF INJURY:

GRAVE LOCATION: Buried on 18 Oct. 1944 Forest (Forst) Klein-Althammer, Jagen 52. (Section)

REMARKS:

G-3234.AF(6)

67 3134

CASUALTY NO.
MB-KBU-2240

REPORT ON SHOT-DOWN AIRCRAFT

DATE AND TIME AIRCRAFT
WAS SHOT DOWN: 13 Oct. 1944

PLACE OF CRASH: 1500 meters South of railway station Ehrenforst, District Heydebreck, O/S (Upper Silesia)

TYPE OF AIRCRAFT: Probably Liberator

REPORTING OFFICE: Flier's Air Base Local Headquarters E (V) 211/VII - Gleiwitz - 27 Oct. 1944

CREW

SURNAME, AND FIRST NAME: Unknown ? (Beatee, Adams or Dead)
" ? (B. H. or J.)

DATE OF BIRTH:

RANK: " ? (Sgt.)

SERIAL NUMBER: "

CAPTURED: WOUNDED: DEAD: Dead was found

DISTRIBUTION: WHICH CAMP: TYPE OF INJURY:

GRAVE LOCATION: Buried on 17 Oct. 1944 - Cemetery in Ehrenforst, grave No. 1215

REMARKS:

743RD BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)
APO 520 US ARMY

15 October 1944

S T A T E M E N T

On 13 October 1944 at approximately 1133 hours, Aircraft #605 received a direct flak burst amidship, after it had released the bomb load on the target at Blechhammer - South Oil Refinery, and to go down in two distinct parts at 50°18'N - 18°15'E. No explosion or fire was noted. Three to five parachutes were reported as coming from the plane, primarily from the forward portion.

ROBERT J. KERMES
1st Lt., Air Corps,
Navigator

Prep'd for Memorial Div. OQMG

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Ltr #2 MACR 2? LT. MEYERS' CREW

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