

461st Bombardment Group

WAR DEPARTMENT
HEADQUARTERS ARMY AIR FORCES
WASHINGTON

The MISSING AIR CREW REPORT

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IMPORTANT: This report will be compiled in triplicate by each Army Air Forces organization within 48 hours of the time an aircraft is officially reported missing.

1. ORGANIZATION: Location Torretta, Italy Command or Air Force 15th AF
Group 461st Bomb Gp (H) Squadron 767th Bomb Sq (H)
2. SPECIFY: Place of departure Torretta, Italy Course direct to target
Target Blachhammer, Germany Type of mission bombing
3. WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY AT TIME OF CRASH OR WHEN LAST REPORTED:
CAVU
4. GIVE: [a] Date 17 Dec 1944 Time 1200 Last known position near Muglitz, Germany
[b] Specify whether: ☒ 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, ☐ Enemy anti-aircraft, ☐ Other.
6. AIRCRAFT: Type, model & series B-24 J AAF Serial Number 44-41158
7. NICKNAME OF AIRCRAFT: None (Number 77 painted on side)
8. ENGINES: Type, model & series P&W R-1830-43 AAF serial Number [a] BP-442658
[b] BP-442584 [c] BP-441186 [d] BP-442660
9. INSTALLED WEAPONS: [Make, type and serial number] All Browning Cal. 50
[a] LU 130340 [e] LB 1539446 [i] LW 1336770
[b] RU 1202564 [f] RB 1203535 [j] RW 1254213
[c] LN 1253557 [g] LT 201951
[d] RN 1253266 [h] RT 1201939
10. PERSONNEL LISTED BELOW REPORTED AS: ☒ Battle Casualty, ☐ Non Battle Casualty
11. NUMBER OF PERSONS ABOARD AIRCRAFT: Crew 10; Passengers 0; Total 10
[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
[1] Pilot	Hailey, Max H., 2 nd Lt. 0-705686	MIA	Mrs. Jeneviere W. Hailey (Wife) Walnut Grove, Missouri
[2] Co-pilot	Hendrix, James G., 2 nd Lt. 0-820015	MIA	Mrs. Norma M. Hendrix (Wife) 2504 Sink St., Winston-Salem, N.C.
[3] Nav	Sugg, Harbord P., Jr., 2 nd Lt. 0-2061074	MIA	Mr. Harbord P. Sugg (Father) 119 E 17 th St., Ada, Oklahoma
[4] Bomb	Killian, Ivyl L., 2 nd Lt. 0-2056804	MIA	Mrs. Ann E. Killian (Mother) 5660 Kingsbury St., St. Louis, Mo.
[5] LWG	Spencer, Harry D., Sgt. 99918168	MIA	Mrs. Lillian Spencer (Mother) Fruitland, Idaho
[6] TTG	Fajkus, Julius G., Sgt. 18248730	MIA	Mrs. Victoria Fajkus (Mother) Box 222, Bloomington, Texas
[7] TG	Arrowood, Palmer, Sgt. 35769407	MIA	Mrs. Anna Arrowood (Mother) Langley, Kentucky
[8] BTG	Arrotta, Albert T., Sgt. 11120703	MIA	Mrs. Roso Arrotta (Mother) 106 Congress St., Chelsea, Mass.
[9] NTG	Herman, Jacob III, S/Sgt. 12178959	MIA	Mr. Jacob Herman, Jr. (Father) 505 Pleasant St., Holyoke, Mass.
[10] RWG	Dixon, Lawrence V. Jr., T/Sgt. 34607342	MIA	Mrs. Alexina B. Dixon (Mother) Box 124, Piagah Forest, N.C.
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[12]			

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

NAME IN FULL	RANK	SERIAL No.	CONTACTED BY RADIO	LAST SIGHTED	SAW CRASH	SAW FORCED LANDING
[1] Lloyd E. Kenyon	S/Sgt.	38563341		X		
[2] Robert F. Miller	S/Sgt.	11110835		X		
[3] Arthur C. Hermanman, Jr.	Sgt.	16138988		X		
[4]						

13. IF PERSONNEL ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE SURVIVED, CHECK ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

- ☐ 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; plane downed in enemy territory.**

Date: 26 Dec 1944

/s/ Raymond L Wilcovitz
 Captain, Air Corps
 Adjutant