

WAR DEPARTMENT
HEADQUARTERS ARMY AIR FORCES
WASHINGTON

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to **RESTRICTED**
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by F. M. MUENCH, Capt., AO
Date MAR 15 1946

MISSING AIR CREW REPORT

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.

- ORGANIZATION: Location England; Command or Air Force 8AF
Group 457th Bomb Gp (H); Squadron 751st & 749th*; Detachment _____
- SPECIFY: Point of Departure Station 130; Course _____
Intended Destination Augsburg, Germany; Type of Mission Objective Bombing
- WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY AT TIME OF CRASH OR WHEN LAST REPORTED: _____
Good
- GIVE: (a) Date 19 July 44; Time 0935; and Location Just before reaching target
of last known whereabouts of missing aircraft.
(b) Specify whether (X) Last Sighted; () Last contacted by Radio;
() Forced Down; () Seen to Crash; or () Information not Available.
- AIRCRAFT WAS LOST, OR IS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN LOST, AS A RESULT OF: (Check one) (X) Enemy Aircraft; () Enemy anti-aircraft; () Other Circumstances as follows _____
- AIRCRAFT: Type, Model and Series B-17-G; A.A.F. Serial Number 42-97601 (PFF)
- ENGINES: Type, Model and Series R-1820-27; A.A.F. Serial Number (a) SW-016902
(b) SW-003222; (c) SW-011802; (d) SW-003229
- INSTALLED WEAPONS (Furnish below Make, Type and Serial Number) 472139 - 471034
(a) 289874; (b) 289987; (c) 420928; (d) 470772 - 473092
(e) 472916; (f) 473687; (g) 472948; (h) _____
- THE PERSONS LISTED BELOW WERE REPORTED AS: (a) Battle Casualty X
or (b) Non-Battle Casualty _____
- NUMBER OF PERSONS ABOARD AIRCRAFT: Crew 9; Passengers 0; Total 9
(Starting with pilot, furnish the following particulars: If more than 10 persons were aboard aircraft, list similar particulars on separate sheet and attach original to this form).

	Crew Position	Name in Full (Last Name First)	Rank	Serial Number
1.	Pilot	<u>Cunneffare, Noel A.</u>	1st Lt.	<u>0811023</u> <i>KIA</i>
2.	P	<u>Godfrey, Jerome E.</u>	Captain	<u>0804648</u> <i>RTD</i>
3.	N	<u>Akins, Wesley C.</u>	1st Lt.	<u>0683103</u> <i>RTD</i>
4.	<i>KIA</i> RN	<u>Sampson, John C.</u>	2nd Lt.	<u>0699253</u> <i>RTD</i>
5.	B	<u>Barton, Donald W.</u>	1st Lt.	<u>0747555</u> <i>RTD</i>
6.	ABG	<u>Drake, Howard S.</u>	T/Sgt.	<u>12166269</u> <i>RTD</i>
7.	ROG	<u>Nunn, Frank L.</u>	T/Sgt.	<u>37411267</u> <i>KIA</i>
8.	AG	<u>Hodson, Ralph T.</u>	S/Sgt.	<u>34721463</u> <i>RTD</i>
9.	AAG	<u>Duvall, Joseph W. Jr.</u>	Sgt.	<u>18131834</u> <i>RTD</i>
10.				

- IDENTIFY BELOW THOSE PERSONS WHO ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE LAST KNOWLEDGE OF AIRCRAFT, AND CHECK APPROPRIATE COLUMN TO INDICATE BASIS FOR SAME.

Check Only One Column

Name in Full (Last Name First)	Rank	Serial Number	Contacted		Saw	
			By Radio	Last Sighted	Crash	Forced Landing
1.						
2.						

- IF PERSONNEL ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE SURVIVED, ANSWER YES TO ONE OF THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS: (a) Parachutes were used _____; (b) Persons were seen walking away from scene of crash _____; or (c) Any other reasons (Specify) _____
- ATTACH AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH, MAP, CHART, OR SKETCH, SHOWING APPROXIMATE LOCATION WHEN AIRCRAFT WAS LAST SEEN. NONE.
- ATTACH EYEWITNESS DESCRIPTION OF CRASH, FORCED LANDING, OR OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES PERTAINING TO MISSING AIRCRAFT. ATTACHED.
- ATTACH A DESCRIPTION OF THE EXTENT OF SEARCH, IF ANY, AND GIVE NAME, RANK AND SERIAL NUMBER OF OFFICER IN CHARGE HERE NONE.

* Co-Pilot was from 751st Squadron.
Rest of crew from 749th Squadron.

Date of Report 22 July 1944

Gerald H. Galligan
(Signature of Preparing Officer)

GERALD H. GALLIGAN, 1st Lt., AC
Group Statistical Officer

Incl 121

S E C R E T

HEADQUARTERS 457TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
Office of the Group Stat. Officer
AAF STATION 130

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A P O 557
22 July 1944.

SUBJECT: Information pertaining to Missing A/C 42-97601 - Mission 19 July 1944 - Augsburg.

TO : Commanding General, Eighth Air Force, A.P.O. 634.
(THRU: Channels). Attn: Stat. Control.

1. The following is a summary of facts and statements on Missing A/C 42-97601 on the mission 19th July 1944:

- a. A/C was hit by enemy fighters just before the I.P. at approximately 0950 hours. No. 3 engine was smoking badly and A/C peeled off from the formation at approximately 47-50N and 10-20E. No parachutes were sighted.

Gerald H. Galligan
GERALD H. GALLIGAN,
1st Lt., A. C.,
Group Stat. Officer.

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: **GUNEFARE Noel A.**
 Rank: **1st Lt.**
 Serial number: **O-811023**
 Position: Crew (Bomber) or ~~Flight (Fighter)~~: **Pilot**

File No: **7548**Did he bail out? To the best of my knowledge, no.

Where? _____

If not, why not? Reason unknown.

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: I pointed
out the fire in the Bomb Bay to him and he indicated by hand signals
that I was to leave the ship through the nose hatch.

Was he injured? At the time I left he had scratches on his face from
shattered glass.

Where was he when last seen? In the pilots seat.

Any hearsay information: None, except that the ship was still under
(the tail gunner)
control when the tail gunner left. To my knowledge he/was the last one
to leave the ship.

Source: Tail gunner and waist gunner.

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

NoneTotal number of missions of above crew member: Unknown (approx. 20)Dates and destinations if possible: Unknown

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: **SAMPSON John C.**
 Rank: **2nd Lt.**
 Serial number: **0-699253**
 Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~Flight (Fighter)~~: **RE**

File No: 7548

Did he bail out? To the best of my knowledge, no.

Where? _____

If not, why not? Unknown

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: _____

UnknownWas he injured? UnknownWhere was he when last seen? At the mickey set in the Radio room.

Any hearsay information: At the time that the waist gunner was preparing to leave the ship Lt. Sampson refused to go. He seemed frozen with fear and was sitting in the waist of the ship near the open door. He had been no help in the fight and seemed not to know what to do or how. When the tail gunner motioned for more ammo. Lt Sampson threw him an oxygen bottle.

Source: Tail gunner and waist gunner.

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: I imagine that he went down with the ship unable to control his fear enough to bail out.

Total number of missions of above crew member: Unknown (not a regular crew member)

Dates and destinations if possible: _____

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: **HUNE Frank L.** File No: **7548**
 Rank: **T/Sgt.**
 Serial number: **37411267**
 Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~on Flight (Fighter)~~: **RO**

Did he bail out? To my knowledge, no.

Where? _____

If not, why not? Unknown

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: _____

Unknown

Was he injured? Unknown

Where was he when last seen? In the radio room

Any hearsay information: He was sitting by Lt Sampson at the waist door when the waist gunner left. He seemed unable to think or act and when asked to fix the a waist gun just stood and looked at it rather lost. The waist gunner made an attempt to force him to bail out but being wounded did not have the strength.

Source: Waist gunner.

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

Went down with the ship.

Total number of missions of above crew member: Approx 19

Dates and destinations if possible: _____

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: **GODFREY Jerome E.** File No: **7548**
 Rank: **Captain**
 Serial number: **O-804648**
 Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~: **Co-Pilot**

Did he bail out? Not to my knowledge

Where? _____

If not, why not? Unknown

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: _____

Unknown

Was he injured? No

Where was he when last seen? At the controls in the Co Pilot seat

Any ~~XXXXXX~~ information: He had to take the controls when the pilots window was shattered making it impossible for him to see to fly in formation.

Capt. Godfrey seemed very angry for no good reason and stated over the intercom that he was going to "fly this God-dam ship until the wings fall off". He took no evasive action under fire from the fighters although we asked him to over the intercom.

Source: My own knowledge.

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: If he did as he said he crashed with the ship.

Total number of missions of above crew member: Unknown(not a regular crew member)

Dates and destinations if possible: _____

CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Your name Howard S Drake Rank T Sgt Serial No. RA 12166269
457 Bm. Gp. (H) 749 Bm Sqd.
2. Organization _____ Gp Commander _____ Rank _____ Sqn CO _____ Rank _____
(full name) (full name)
3. What year 1944 month July day 19 did you go down?
4. What was the mission, Augsburg, Germ., target, Engine factory, target time, Approx 0945, altitude, 21,000 route scheduled, _____, route flown across southern Germ. to make a northerly run on the target.
5. Where were you when you left formation? Almost to the IP
6. Did you bail out? Yes
7. Did other members of crew bail out? Yes.
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". Bail out was in the following order. Engineer, Navigator, Bombardier, Waist gunner, Tail gunner. All in an area between Munich and Switzerland. I recall names of Imms, Innsbruck, Munich. in connection with the area.
9. Where did your aircraft strike the ground? Unknown, but in that same area.
10. What members of your crew were in the aircraft when it struck the ground? (Should cross check with 8 above and individual questionnaires) To my knowledge, Pilot, CoPilot, Radar Navigator, Radio op. Although the Germans told us that there were only three bodies in the ship.
11. Where were they in aircraft? No knowledge.
12. What was their condition? Unknown.
13. When, where, and in what condition did you last see any members not already described above? Co Pilot and Pilot in the ship at the controls. Neither of them seemingly seriously wounded.
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)

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: GUNEFARE Noel A. File No: 7548
 Rank: 1st Lt.
 Serial number: 0-811023
 Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~on Douglas (Bomber)~~: Pilot

Did he bail out? No

Where? _____

If not, why not? Do Not Know

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: HE ASKED US
IF WE WANTED TO TRY TO MAKE IT BACK OR HEAD FOR SWITZERLAND.

Was he injured? Do Not Know

Where was he when last seen? IN THE PRATS POSITION IN THE SHIP

Any hearsay information: THE GERMANS SAID THEY FOUND 3
AMERICANS IN THE AREA, WE WAS PICKED UP IN DEAD
BUT DIDNT SAY WHO THEY WERE.

Source: _____

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: I BELIEVE
HE WAS KILLED WHEN THE SHIP BLOWED UP.

Total number of missions of above crew member: BETWEEN 18 AND 20

Dates and destinations if possible: THE LAST MISSION WAS TO
AUGSBURG GERMANY JULY 19, 1944

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INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: SAMPSON John C.
 Rank: 2nd Lt.
 Serial number: 0-699253
 Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~or Pilot (Fighter)~~ (Fighter): RN

File No: 7548

Did he bail out? No

Where? _____

If not, why not? Do NOT KNOWLast contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: I ASKEDHIM TO GO ON AN BAIL OUT BUT HE WOULDN'TWas he injured? NoWhere was he when last seen? NEAR THE WAIST DOORAny hearsay information: THE GERMANS SAID THE FOUND 3AMERICANS IN THE AREA WHERE WE WAS PICKEDUP. BUT SAID THEY WERE DEAD

Source: _____

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: I BELIEVEHE WAS KILLED WHE THE SHIP BLOWED UPTotal number of missions of above crew member: Do Not KnowDates and destinations if possible: THE LAST MISSION WAS TOAUGSBURG GERMANY JULY 19, 1944

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: NUNN Frank L.
 Rank: T/Sgt.
 Serial number: 37411267
 Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~: RO

File No: 7548

Did he bail out? No

Where? _____

If not, why not? AFRAID TO I BELIEVE

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: I TRIED TO GET HIM TO JUMP AND HE TOLD ME HE WOULD AFTER A WHILE

Was he injured? NoWhere was he when last seen? NEAR THE WAIST DOOR SITTING DOWNAny hearsay information: THE GERMANS SAID THEY FOUND 3 AMERICANS^{DEAD} IN THE AREA WHERE WE WERE PICKED UP.

Source: _____

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: HE WAS KILLED WHEN THE SHIP BLOWED UP.

Total number of missions of above crew member: 18 OR 19

Dates and destinations if possible: HIS LAST MISSION WAS TO AUGSBURG GERMANY JULY 19, 1944

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: GODFREY Jerome E. File No: 7548
 Rank: Captain
 Serial number: O-804648
 Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~: Co-Pilot

Did he bail out? No

Where? _____

If not, why not? Do NOT Know

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: _____

Was he injured? Do NOT Know

Where was he when last seen? IN THE CO-PILOTS POSITION

Any hearsay information: THE GERMANS SAID THEY FOUND 3 AMERICANS DEAD IN THE AREA WHERE THE SHIP BLOWED UP.

Source: _____

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: I BELIEVE HE WAS KILLED WHEN THE SHIP BLOWED UP

Total number of missions of above crew member: UN KNOWN

Dates and destinations if possible: HIS LAST MISSION WAS TO AUGSBURG GERMANY JULY 19, 1944

CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Your name HODSON RALPH TEDDY Rank T/SGT Serial No. 34721463
2. Organization AAF Gp Commander JAMES P. LUPPER Rank COLONEL Sqn CO _____ Rank _____
(full name) (full name)
3. What year 1944 month JULY day 19 did you go down? YES.
4. What was the mission, AUGSBURG GER., target, AIRPLANE WAREHOUSE, target time, 9.00, altitude, 2300 route scheduled, _____, route flown _____
5. Where were you when you left formation? AT OUR T.P.
6. Did you bail out? YES
7. Did other members of crew bail out? YES 5 OF US
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". NO KNOWLEDGE EXCEPT THE TAIL GUNNER AND HE BAILED OUT THE TAIL HATCH DOOR
9. Where did your aircraft strike the ground? IT DIDNT IT BLOWED UP
10. What members of your crew were in the aircraft when it struck the ground? (Should cross check with 8 above and individual questionnaires) _____
11. Where were they in aircraft? _____
12. What was their condition? TAIL GUNNER WAS WOUNDED IN LEFT ARM
13. When, where, and in what condition did you last see any members not already described above? NAVIGATOR WAS WOUNDED IN BOTH LEGS AROUND HIS ANKLES AND MY BOMBARDIER BROKE A LEG WHEN HE BAILED OUT AND MY TAIL GUNNER WAS WOUNDED IN LEFT ARM AND I WAS WOUNDED IN LEFT LEG AND 2 SHRAPNELS WOUNDS ABOVE MY HEART AND A PIECE OF SHRAPNEL IN THE CORNER OF MY RIGHT EYE.
14. Please give any similar information on personnel of any other crew of which you have knowledge. Indicate source of information. _____

(Any additional information may be written on the back)

WAR DEPARTMENT

HEADQUARTERS ARMY AIR FORCE
WASHINGTON 25, D.C.

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: ^C ~~MUNEFARE~~ Noel A. File No: 7548
 Rank: 1st Lt.
 Serial number: C-811023
 Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~: Pilot

Did he bail out? No knowledge

Where? _____

If not, why not? _____

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: My interphone went out at first enemy attack - no contact

Was he injured? Engineer believed he was not. I do not know

Where was he when last seen? In pilot's seat

Any hearsay information: Members of crew taken to Innsbruck (Naw, Eng. and waist) claim Germans told them the plane had crashed & burned and that two bodies were found in it. Entirely hearsay

Source: Crew members obtained from: German Hdqtrs Innsbruck, Austria (Tugel)

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: No

Total number of missions of above crew member: About 15

Dates and destinations if possible: ① unknown ② 25 Apr 44 Nancy Essey Fr ③ 27 Apr 44 Zindasgues, Fr ④ 8 May 44 Berlin ⑤ 29 May 1944 Luxembourg, Ger ⑥ 13 May 44 Stettin Ger ⑦ 19 May 44 Berlin Ger ⑧ 23 May 44 Epinal, Fr ⑨ 30 May 44 Oschersleben Ger ⑩ 3 June 44 Nesles, Fr ⑪ 6 June 44 Mont Fleury, Fr ⑫ 8 June 44 Etampes Fr ⑬ 22 June 44 Rouen, Fr ⑭ 9 July 44 No Ball, Fr ⑮ 19 July 44 Angsburg.

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: SAMPSON John C.
Rank: 2nd Lt.
Serial number: O-699253
Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~: RN

File No: 7548

Did he bail out? No knowledge

Where? _____

If not, why not? _____

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: My interphone was out

Was he injured? Not according to waist gunner.

Where was he when last seen? Waist gunner saw him last standing by the waist door ready to bail out.

Any hearsay information: See questionnaire on pilot

Source: _____

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: None

Total number of missions of above crew member: about 5

Dates and destinations if possible: _____

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: NUNN Frank L.
Rank: T/Sgt.
Serial number: 37411267
Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~cockpit (Pilot)~~: RO

File No: 7548

Did he bail out? No Knowledge

Where? _____

If not, why not? _____

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: Interphone
out

Was he injured? Waist gunner says he was not at time he bailed out

Where was he when last seen? Waist gunner saw him at waist door with P.N.

Any hearsay information: See pilot questionnaire

Source: _____

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: None

Total number of missions of above crew member: about 18 or 20

Dates and destinations if possible: See pilot

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: GODFREY Jerome E. File No: 7548
Rank: Captain
Serial number: 0-804648
Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~ENGINEER (FLIGHT)~~: Co-Pilot

Did he bail out? No Knowledge

Where? _____

If not, why not? _____

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: Interphone
out

Was he injured? Engineer says he apparently was not.

Where was he when last seen? Engineer saw him in co pilot's seat as eng. left to bail out.

Any hearsay information: _____
See pilot questionnaire

Source: _____

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

Total number of missions of above crew member: Not known

Dates and destinations if possible: _____

CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Your name Donald W Barton Rank 1st Lt Serial No. 0747565
2. Organization 457th B.Gp Commander Rank Col Sqn CO Hoffman Rank Lt Col
(full name) (full name)
3. What year 1944 month July day 19 did you go down?
4. What was the mission, Augsburg, target, Me 410 plant & airfield, target
time, about 1130, altitude, 25,000 route scheduled, IP SW of
Augsburg, route flown same
5. Where were you when you left formation? about 40 miles SW of Augsburg
6. Did you bail out? Yes
7. Did other members of crew bail out? Yes - N, Engineer, Waist gunner and tail
gunner.
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". Lt Atkins (N), 3rd Lt Drake (Eng) and myself bailed out of nose hatch in that order about 20 seconds apart. I landed about 10 miles up the Inn River from Telfs (Tyrol). The waist gunner and tail gunner bailed out app. same time from rear. Might have been slightly later than us, as they landed closer to Swiss border.
9. Where did your aircraft strike the ground? unknown.
10. What members of your crew were in the aircraft when it struck the ground? (Should cross check with 8 above and individual questionnaires) No knowledge
11. Where were they in aircraft? No knowledge
12. What was their condition? No knowledge
13. When, where, and in what condition did you last see any members not already described above? The four crew members not mentioned above were not seen by me after we took off on the mission.
14. Please give any similar information on personnel of any other crew of which you have knowledge. Indicate source of information. No knowledge

(Any additional information may be written on the back)

✓
1st Lt. Noel A. Cansfars

Mr. Arthur O. Cansfars, (Father)
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✓
Capt. Jerome E. Godfrey

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✓
1st Lt. Wesley C. Akins

Mrs. Bessie Dolores Akins, (Mother)
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Abilene, Texas.

✓
2nd Lt. John C. Sampson

Mrs. Esther Sampson, (Wife)
Baker, Montana.

✓
1st Lt. Donald W. Barton

Mrs. Virginia A. Barton, (Wife)
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✓
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Mrs. Dolores Drake, (Wife)
344 Glenwood Avenue,
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✓
T/Sgt. Frank L. Nunn

Mrs. Lula G. Nunn, (Mother)
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Saint Louis, Missouri.

✓
S/Sgt. Ralph T. Hodson

Mrs. Annie Bell, (Mother)
1215 Forest Avenue,
Knoxville, Tennessee.

✓
Sgt. Joseph W. Duvall

Mrs. Rosemary V. Duvall, (Wife)
1820 North Shartel Street,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

MHC 12 75 104

Date: 19 July 1944 Rank Name *KIA* *502604* *Apr 2008*
Time: 1140
Place 4 km east of Haar, Sgt. *502604* DUVALL Jr. Joseph ASN 18131834 . 43
12 km east of Manich Wayne
Type: Liberator *M.A. 17 549*
Target: Air Force District VII/

Note: The entry of Name, Rank and ASN is crossed off with pencil

MARK 7548

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Date:	19 July 1944	Rank	Name	No.:	2604
Time:	1015				
Place:	S. Hoppen, District of Inst. 45 km west of Innsbruck	1st Lt.	AKINGS	Wesley Clifton	ASN O-683103 Hospital
Type:	Fortress		CUNEFARE	Noel A.	ASN O-811035 dead
Markings:	197601				
Target:	Airfield Aibling	S/Mgt.	HODSON	Ralph Teddy	ASN 34721463 Hospital
		T/Sgt.	DRAKE	Howard Saunders	ASN 12166269
		Sgt.	DUVALL Jr.	Joseph Wayne	ASN 18131834 Hospital
		Sgt.	NUHN	Frank L.	ASN 37411267 dead
		T/Sgt.	DRAKE	Howard S.	ASN 12166269

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DES [unclear] 0804608

DES [unclear] 0099253

4 dead buried in M a i s a l p e on 21 July 1944

REPORT ON SHOT-DOWN AIRCRAFTDATE AND TIME AIRCRAFTWAS SHOT DOWN: **19 July 1944 1000 hrs.**PLACE OF CRASH: **Telfs near Innsbruck**TYPE OF AIRCRAFT: **Fortress**REPORTING OFFICE: **Munich**

CREW

SURNAME, AND **BARTON**, Donald Wilber
FIRST NAME:

DATE OF BIRTH:

RANK: **1st Lt.**SERIAL NUMBER: **0-749565**CAPTURED:~~WOUNDED:~~~~DEAD:~~DISTRIBUTION: WHICH CAMP **Dulag Luft**

TYPE OF INJURY:

GRAVE LOCATION:

REMARKS:

DULAG LUFT, 4 October 1944 No.

KU 2606

Liberator 24

7/19/44 1140

4 km E Haar
12 km E Munich
P (A)

DD-5

Air District VII

Stamp :
Dulag Luft Wetzlar
Rec'd 6 Aug. 1944
Central File and Recording Station

5 & 3 prisoners ?

NO FURTHER INFORMATION ON THIS CASE

MACR-7548
KU 2604

Date and Time Aircraft Was Shot Down: 19 Jul 1944, 1015 hours

Place of Crash: Roppen near Innsbruck

Type of Craft: Fortress

Reporting Office: Air Base Aibling

CREW

DRAKE	Howard Saunders	T/Sgt.	12166269	capt'd	Dulag Luft
AKINS	Wesley C.	1st Lt.	0-683103	wounded	7 Sept Dulag
HODSON	Ralph T.	S/Sgt.	34721463	wounded	2 Aug 1944 Dulag
<i>Ju</i> DUVALL 1 April 1922	Joseph Wayne Akla City, Okla.	Sgt.	18131834	capt'd	Dulag Luft

Casualty No. KU 2604

1st Supplementary Report of 13 Sept 1944

NUNN	Frank L.	Sgt.	37411267	dead	Interred: Maisalpe
WELFARE	Noel A.	Officer	0-811025	dead	Interred: Maisalpe

Remarks: ./.

Dulag Luft, 18 Aug 1944 We.

Date and Time Aircraft Was Shot Down: 19 Jul 1944, 1015 hours

Place of Crash: Roppen near Innsbruck

Type of Craft: Fortress

Reporting Office: Air Base Aibling

CREW

DRAKE	Howard Saunders	T/Sgt.	12166269	capt'd	Dulag Luft
AKINS	Wesley C.	1st Lt.	0-683103	wounded	7 Sept Dulag
HODSON	Ralph T.	S/sgt.	34721463	wounded	2 Aug 1944 Dulag
DUVAIL 1 April 1922	Joseph Wayne Akla City, Okla.	Sgt,	18131834	capt'd	Dulag Luft.

Casualty No. KU 2604

1st Supplementary Report of 13 Sept 1944

NUNN	Frank L.	Sgt.	37411267	dead	Interred: Malsalpe
CUNEFARE	Noel A.	Officer	0-811025	dead	Interred: Malsalpe

Remarks: ./.

Dulag Luft, 18 Aug 1944 We. ✓

File Card :

Form 5a

Nationality : American

Stamp :

Dyilag Luft, Wetzlar

Red'd 20 Aug. 1944

Central File and Recording Station

Name : H o d s o n R a l p h

Date and place of birth : 12/12/17 at Knoxville, Tennessee

Serial Number : 34721463

Rank : POW (Sgt.)

No. in Hospital Sick Book : 570

Name of hospital : Station Hospital, Landeck - Tyrol

Type of disease : injured by shell fragment in left thigh
date : 7/19/44Left the Hospital : 7/22/44 - trfd to Air Base Bad . ibling
(first letter illegible)

Identification Tag :

<i>eng</i> (Noel A. Cunefare	0-811023	(duplicate)
Frank L. Nunn	37411267	(duplicate)
Ralph T. Hodson	34721463	
Joseph W. Devali Jr.	18131834	

File Card : Form 5a
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Stamp :
 D-1ag Luft, Wetzlar
 Rec'd 9/11/1944
 Central File and Recording Station

Nationality : American

Name : D-wall, Joseph

Date and place of birth : 4/1/22 at Oklahoma, Oklahoma

Ser. No. : 18131834

Rank : POW (Sgt)

No. in Hospital Sick Book : 569

Name of hospital : Station Hospital, Landeck - Tyrol

Date and type of disease : 7/19/44 - injured by shell fragment in lower arm

Left hospital : trfd to Air Base Bad ..i'ling (first letter illegible)

Notify in case of death : Mrs. E. D-wall
 1820 E . Chartel, Oklahoma

File Card : Form 5a
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Stamp :
 D-lag Luft, Wetzlar
 Rec'd 9/11/1944
 Central File and Recording Station

Nationality : American

Name : D-wall, Joseph

Date and place of birth : 4/1/22 at Oklahoma, Oklahoma

Ser.No. : 18131834

Rank : POW (Sgt)

No. in Hospital Sick Book : 569

Name of hospital : Station Hospital, Landeck - Tyrol

Date and type of disease : 7/19/44 - injured by shell fragment in
 lower arm

Left hospital : trfd to Air Base Bad ..ibling (first letter illegible)

Notify in case of death : Mrs. R. D-wall
 1820 N ..chartel, Oklahoma

File Card Form 5a

Stamp :
 Detlag Luft, Wetzlar
 Rec'd 9/11/1944
 Central File and Recording Station

Nationality : American

Name : A k i n s Wesley

Date and place of birth : 6/16/1917 - Taxis - field

Ser.No.68310 3

Rank : POW (1st Lt.)

No.of hospital Sick Book : 568

Name of hospital : Station Hospital, Landeck, Tyrol

Date and type of disease or injury : 7/19/44 - injured by shell
 fragment in right foot and left lower leg

Left hospital : trfd to Air Base Bad ..ibling (first letter illegible)
 7/22/44

Notify in case of death : Father : Fi. Alkins
 810 Palmstr.
 ..bebene - Taxis

KU 2604

File Card Form 5a

Stamp :
Deleg Left, Wetzlar
Rec'd 9/11/1944
Central File and Recording Station

Nationality : American

Name : A k i n s Wesley

Date and place of birth : 6/16/1917 - Texas - field

Ser.No. 683108 3

Rank : POW (1st Lt.)

No. of hospital Sick Book : 568

Name of hospital : Station Hospital, Landeck, Tyrol

Date and type of disease or injury : 7/19/44 - injured by shell
fragment in right foot and left lower leg

Left hospital : trfd to Air Base Bad ..ibling (first letter illegible)
7/22/44

Notify in case of death : Father : Ft. Alkins
810 Palmstr.
..bebene - Texas

KU 2604

File Card : Form 5a

Stamp :

Dulag Luft, Wetzlar

Rec'd 9/11/1944

Central File and Recording Station

Nationality : American

Name : A k i n s Wesley

Date and place of birth : 6/16/17 - Taxis - Braunfield

Ser.No. : 683103

Rank : POW (1st Lt.)

No.in Hospital Sick Book : 566

Name of hospital : Station Hospital, Landeck, Tyrol

Date and type of injury or disease : 7/19/44 - injured by machine-gun
in both lower legs

Admitted : parachute jump - 7/19/44

Left hospital : no entry

Notify in case of death : Father : Fl. Alkins
810 Palmstr.
Abebene - Taxis

KU 2604

File Card : Form 5a

Stamp :

Delag Lt. Wetlar

Rec'd 9/11/1944

Central File and Recording Station

Nationality : American

Name : A k i n e Wesley

Date and place of birth : 6/16/17 - Texas - Brownfield

Ser.No. : 683103

Rank : POW (1st Lt.)

No. in Hospital Sick Book : 568

Name of hospital : Station Hospital, Landeck, Tyrol

Date and type of injury or disease : 7/19/44 - injured by machine-gun
in both lower legs

Admitted : parachute jump - 7/19/44

Left hospital : no entry

Notify in case of death : Father : M. Alkins
810 Palmstr.
Abeene - Texas

File Card : Form 5a
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Nationality : American	Stamp : D-1ag Ltft, Wetzlar Rec'd 9/11/1944 Central File and Recording Station
Name : H o d s o n Ralph	
Date and place of birth : 12/12/27	- Knoxville, Tennessee
Ser.No. : 34721463	
Rank : POW (Sgt.)	
No. in hospital Sick Book : 570	
Name of hospital : Station Hospital, Landeck, Tyrol	
Date and type of injury or disease : 7/19/44	- bullet remained in lung, bullet in left thigh
Admitted : parachute jump	- 7/19/44
Notify in case of death : Mother :	Ralph T.Hodson Knoxville, Tennessee

File Card : Form 5a

Nationality : American
Name : Hodson Ralph
Date and place of birth : 12/12/17 - Knoxville, Tennessee
Ser.No : 34721463
Rank : POW (Sgt.)
No. in hospital Sick Book : 570
Name of hospital : Station Hospital, Landeck, Tyrol
Date and type of injury or disease : 7/19/44 - bullet remained
in lung, bullet in left thigh
Admitted : parachute jump - 7/19/44
Notify in case of death : Mother : Ralph T. Hodson
Knoxville, Tennessee

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File Card : Form 5a

Stamp :
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Central File and Recording Station

Nationality : American

Name : D - v a l l Joseph

Date and place of birth : 4/1/22 at Oklahoma, Oklahoma

Ser.No. : 18131834

Rank : POW (Sgt.)

No. in hospital sick book : 569

Name of hospital : Station Hospital, Landeck, Tyrol

Date and type of injury or disease : 7/19/44 - injured by machine-gun
in left lower arm

Admitted : parachute jump - 7/19/44

Notify in case of death : Wife : Mrs. R. D - v a l l
1820 N Schartel, Okla.

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File Card : Form 2a

Stamp :

Delag Luft, Wetzlar

Rec'd 11 Sept. 1944

Central File and Recording Station

Nationality : American

Name : D - v a l l Joseph

Date and place of birth : 4/1/22 at Oklahoma, Oklahoma

Ser.No. : 18131834

Rank : POW (Sgt.)

No. in hospital sick book : 569

Name of hospital : Station Hospital, Landeck, Tyrol

Date and type of injury or disease : 7/19/44 - injured by machine-gun
in left lower arm

Admitted : parachute jump - 7/19/44

Notify in case of death :

Wife : Mrs. D. D - v a l l
1820 N Schartel, Okla.

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: Air Base No. A (e) 1/VII
 PLACE: A i b l i n g
 DATE: 7/24/1944, 1615 hrs
 CRASH: (DOWNED) OF, information refused
 REGARDING: EM. LANDING: AT: Hoppen Ischl in Tyrol - 7/19/44, 1000 hrs
 NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME) S . D r a k e
 FIRST NAME: Howard Rank : T/Sgt.
 SERIAL NUMBER: (USA) 12156269 T 43 A T 43
 RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED) 1 tag with prisoner
 PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE: 1 tag probably confiscated, but not yet turned in
 NAME OF HOSPITAL: 7/19/44, 1200 hrs, ^{to this office} Ischl, Tyrol
 PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF ~~TRANSMISSION~~

Personal articles were not turned in yet

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: Air Base Hq. A (o) 1/VII

PLACE: Aibling

DATE: 7/23/ 44

REGARDING: CRASH: (DOWNED) OF, Boeing 17 GEXPLANATION: AT: S of Roppen, Imst County - 7/19/44, 1015 hrs

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME)

C n n e f a r e

FIRST NAME:

Noel A.

Bank : no information

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA)

O-811025 T 43 0

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED)

both in file

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE:

NAME OF HOSPITAL:

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT: found dead on the Maisalpe in the vicinity of the
crash point on 7/24/44 and interred on 7/36/44.Enclosures : 2 Identification tags
3 Passport photographs

Other personal articles were not found.

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: Air Base Hq. A (o) 1/VII

PLACE: Aibling

DATE: 7/23/ 44

REGARDING: CRASH: (DOWNED) OF, Boeing 17 G

EM. LANDING: AT: S of Poppen, East County - 7/19/44, 1015 hrs

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME) C w n e f a r e

FIRST NAME: Noel A. Rank : no information

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA) O-811025 T 43 0

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED) both in file

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE: -

NAME OF HOSPITAL: -

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT: found dead on the Maisalpe in the vicinity of the crash point on 7/24/44 and interred on 7/36/44.

Enclosures : 2 Identification tags
3 Passport photographs

Other personal articles were not found.

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: Air Base Hq. A (o) 1/VII

PLACE: Aibling

DATE: 7/23/1944

REGARDING: CRASH: (DOWNED) OF, Boeing 17 G
EXAMINATION AT: S of Roppen, Imst County - 7/19/44, 1015 hrs

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME) N n n n

FIRST NAME: Frank L. Rank : no information

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA) 37411267 T 43 A

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED) both in file

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE: -

NAME OF HOSPITAL: -

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

Identification tags were found during clearing actions. Judging from the places where they were found, they should be the identification tags of one of the two dead that were interred on 7/23/44 in a double grave. (See Sketch of grave location, transmitted previously.)

Enclosures : 2 Identification tags.

Other personal property was not found.

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: Air Base Hq. A (o) 1/VII

PLACE: Aibling

DATE: 7/23/1944

REGARDING: CRASH: (DOWNED) OF, Boeing 17 G

EM. LANDING: AT: S of Roppon, East County - 7/19/44, 1015 hrs
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NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME) N w n n

FIRST NAME: Frank L. Rank : no information

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA) 37411267 T 43 A

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED) both in file

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE: -

NAME OF HOSPITAL: -

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

Identification tags were found during clearing actions. Judging from the places where they were found, they should be the identification tags of one of the two dead that were interred on 7/23/44 in a double grave. (See Sketch of grave location, transmitted previously.)

Enclosures : 2 Identification tags.

Other personal property was not found.

Sketch of graves

of crew members of USA-Liberator No.291601, crashed on 7/19/44

Burial in graves no. I and II was performed on 7/23/44, in grave no.III on 7/26/44.

Distance from Maisalpenhütte to No.I about 70 m, from I to II about 200 m, with considerable inclination, from the brook to no.III about 80 m, with considerable slope.

The dead in No.I (single grave) and no.II (double grave) could not be identified. The dead interred in single grave no.III is the US citizen Noel A. Cinesfare, Ser.No.0-811025 T 43 - 0 - T 43 - P

The identification tag ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ and two passport photographs were turned over to police station at Roppen.

Sign.in corner of sketch :
Tischler, Uffz.
7/30/44

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The identification tags ~~tags~~ and two passport photographs were turned over to police station at Roppen.

Sign in corner of sketch :
Tischler, Off.
7/30/44

KU 3604

Air Base Hq. A (o)
Aibling, Operations Office

Aibling, 8/13/44

Reference : Report on the examination concerning crash of
a Boeing 17 G , 7/19/44, S of Roppen, Imst County

Subject : Location of graves

To : Dolag Luft, Oberursel

Enclosed find sketch on location of four graves on the
Maisalpe, transmitted by Post Commander at Imst (Tyrol).

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Major, Recovery Officer

KU 2604

Air Base Hq. A (o)
Aibling, Operations Office

Aibling, 8/13/44

Reference : Report on the examination concerning crash of
a Boeing 17 G , 7/19/44, S of Hoppen, Inat County

Subject : Location of graves

To : Delag Luft, Oberwiesel

Enclosed find sketch on location of four graves on the
Maisalpe, transmitted by Post Commander at Inat (Tyrol).

Mahr ?

Major, Recovery Officer

7/19/44

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KU 2604

S Reppen, Imst County
45 km W Innsbruck

Fortress 17 G
297601

Air Base Aibling

1st Lt. Ankins, Wesley, C.
Hospital

S/Sgt. (Hodson, Ralph T.

T/Sgt. (Drake, Howard Saunders

Sgt. (Devallier, Joseph W.

3 (cross)

6 prisoners

3 hospital ?

7/19/44

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S Roppen, Inat County
45 km W Innsbruck

Fortress 17 G
297601

Air Base Aibling

1st Lt. Ankins, Wesley, C.
Hospital

S/Sgt. Hodson, Ralph T.

Y/Sgt. Brake, Howard Saunders

Sgt. Devallier, Joseph W.

3 (areas)

6 prisoners

3 hospital ?

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: Air Base Hq. A (o)

PLACE: Aibling

DATE: 7/23/1944

REGARDING: CRASH: (DOWNED) OF, presumably Boeing

EM. LANDING: AT: Roppen, County of Imst (Inn Valley), 7/23/44, 1000 hrs

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME) D'Arkins Arkins

FIRST NAME: Wesley Rank : 1st Lt.

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA) O-683103 T 42 - 3 C

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED) 1 with prisoner
1 at AF Hospital Munich-Oberföehring

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE: near Roppen

NAME OF HOSPITAL: admitted to AF Hospital Munich Oberföehring on
7/23/44

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

Personal property was accepted by AF Hospital
Munich - Oberföehring.

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: Air Base Sq. A (e)
 PLACE: Aibling
 DATE: 7/23/1944
 REGARDING: CRASH: (DOWNED) OF, presumably Boeing
EM. LANDING: AT: Reppen, County of Isst (Inn Valley), 7/23/44, 1000 hr
 NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME) D'Arkins Arkins
 FIRST NAME: Wesley Rank: 1st Lt.
 SERIAL NUMBER: (USA) O-683103 T 42 - 3 G
 RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED) 1 with prisoner
 1 at AF Hospital M-nich-Oberfoehring
 PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE: near Reppen
 NAME OF HOSPITAL: admitted to AF Hospital M-nich Oberfoehring on
 7/23/44
 PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

Personal property was accepted by AF Hospital
 M-nich - Oberfoehring.

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REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: Air Base Sq. A (o)

PLACE: Aibling

DATE: 7/23/44

REGARDING: CRASH: (DOWNED) OF, presumably Boeing
EM. LANDING: AT: near Hoppen, Inst County (Inn Valley), 7/19/44,
1000 hrs

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME) D - v a l l i e r

FIRST NAME: Joseph W. Rank: no information

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA) 18131834 T 43-43 A

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED) 1 with prisoner, 1 AF Hospital M-nich-Oberfoehring

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE: 7/19/44 near Hoppen

NAME OF HOSPITAL: admitted to AF Hospital M-nich - Oberfoehring
on 7/23/44

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

Personal property was accepted by AF Hospital M-nich-Oberfoehring.

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: Air Base No. A(o) 1/VII

PLACE: Aibling

DATE: 7/23/44

REGARDING: CRASH: (DOWNED) OF, presumably Boeing
EM. LANDING: AT: Roppen, Imst County (Inn Valley), 7/19/44, 1000 hrs

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME)

H o d s o n

FIRST NAME:

Ralph T. Rank : S1Sgt.

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA)

34721463 T 43

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED)

1 with prisoner, 1 AF Hospital Munich-Oberfoehring.

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE:

near Roppen

NAME OF HOSPITAL:

admitted to AF Hospital Munich-Oberfoehring on

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

7/23/44

Personal property was accepted by AF Hospital Munich-Oberfoehring.

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: Air Base Sq. A(c) 1/VII
 PLACE: Aibling
 DATE: 7/23/44
 REGARDING: CRASH: (DOWNED) OF, presumably Boeing
EM. LANDING: AT: Hoppen, Inat County (Inn Valley), 7/19/44, 1000 hrs
 NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME) H o d s o n
 FIRST NAME: Ralph T. Rank : S/Sgt.
 SERIAL NUMBER: (USA) 34721463 T 42
 RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED) 1 with prisoner, 1 AF Hospital M-nich-Oberfoehring
 PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE: near Hoppen
 NAME OF HOSPITAL: admitted to AF Hospital M-nich-Oberfoehring on
 PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT: 7/23/44

Personal property was accepted by AF Hospital M-nich-Oberfoehring.

TELEGRAM FORM

DISTANCE - MESSAGE

-OBERURSEL-

NAME OF DISTANCE-MESSAGE WRITER: no entry

ACCEPTED:

DELIVERED:

RECEIVED:

no entry

DATE:-

TIME:

TO:

DATE:

THROUGH:

TIME:

ROLL:

FROM:

THROUGH:

REMARKS:

To Dilag Oberursel

Message transmitted to Air District Command VII Ic

I.) On 7/19/44, 1015 hrs (shot down by fighter) S of Roppen, Imst County, Tyrol on the Maisalpe, about 1900 m high.

Crew : Part of crew left plane and was captured, part was charred.

Type of plane : Boeing 17 G, Fcty No. : 297601

Order No. : none available

Shot down : by fighter

Crew : 1. S. Drake, Howard, T/Sgt. Ser.No. 12166269 T 43 AP 43

2. H o d s o n, Ralph, T., S/Sgt. 34721463 T 43

3. ~~Dennis~~ Arkins Wesley, 1st Lt. O-683103 T 42 - 3 C

4. D o v a l l i e, Joseph W. 18131834 T 43 - 43 A

5. 4 members of crew were recovered dead and could not be identified.

They were interred on the Maisalpe in the forrest on 7/21/44.

No. 2, 3, 4 were admitted to AF Hospital Munich - Oberfoehring on 7/23/44.

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TELEGRAM FORM

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DISTANCE - MESSAGE

-OBERURSEL-

NAME OF DISTANCE-MESSAGE WRITER:

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DATE:

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TIME:

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FROM:

THROUGH:

REMARKS:

To Dnlag Oberursel

Message transmitted to Air District Command VII Ic

1.) On 7/19/44, 1015 hrs (shot down by fighter) S of Hoppen, Inat County, Tyrol on the Malsalpe, about 1900 m high.

Crew : Part of crew left plane and was captured, part was charred.

Type of plane : Boeing 17 F Fcty No. : 297601

Order No. : none available

Shot down : by fighter

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|--------|--|---------|----------|-------------|-------|
| Crew : | 1. S. B r a k e, Howard, T/Sgt. | Ser.No. | 12166269 | T 43 | AF 43 |
| | 2. H o d s o n, Ralph, T., S/Sgt. | | 34721463 | T 43 | |
| | 3. D'Awkins Arkins Wesley, 1st Lt. | | C-683103 | T 42 - 3 C | |
| | 4. D - v a l l i e r, Joseph W. | | 18131834 | T 43 - 43 A | |
| | 5. 4 members of crew were recovered dead and could not be identified. They were interred on the Malsalpe in the forest on 7/21/44. | | | | |

No. 2, 3, 4 were admitted to A7 Hospital Munich - Oberfoehring on 7/23/44.

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MAER 7548

B-17
A 722

Kil 2604
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DATE: 19 July 1944 AT: 1000

PLACE: Telfs near Innsbruck

TYPE OF CRAFT: Fortress

749th (HB) Sqd. 457th Group

RANK	NAME	K U 2013
1st Lt.	BANTON, Donald Wilber	ASH: 0-747565
1st Lt.	CUNIFFARE, ² <i>W. A.</i>	ASH: -----
1st Lt.	GODFREY, ² <i>W. E.</i>	ASH: -----
1st Lt.	AKINS, Wesley C.	ASH: 0-683103
T/Sgt.	DRAKE, Howard S.	ASH: 12166269
T/Sgt.	HUNN, ² <i>W. K.</i>	ASH: -----
S/Sgt.	HODSON, ² <i>W. J.</i>	ASH: -----
S/Sgt.	DUVAL, ² <i>W. J.</i>	ASH: -----

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**Meldung über den Abschluß eines
US-amerikanischen Flugzeuges**

Abschuß-Nr. III 2604

Abschußtag und Zeit: 19.7.44 - 10.15 -
 Abschlußort: Roppen b. Innsbruck
 Flugzeugtyp: Fortress
 Meldende Dienststelle: PH Mühlviertel

Besatzung:

Name und Vornamen: Geburtstag und -ort:	Dienst- grad	Erk.- Marke:	gef.: verw.: tot:	Verbleib: welches Lager Art d. Verwundung Grablage
DRAKE Howard Saunders	T/Sgt.	12166269	gef.	Dulag-Luft
AKINS Lesley C.	1.Lt.	683103	gef.	Dulag-Luft
MCDONN Ralph T.	S/Sgt.	34721403	verw.	
DUVALL 1.4.22 Joseph Wayne Okla City, Okla	Sgt.	18131834	gef.	Dulag-Luft

Bemerkungen: MAC 7548

DULAG-LUFT, den 18.8.44
 10.