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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.

1. ORGANIZATION: Location AAF Station 111 ✓ ; Command or Air Force 8th Group 306th Bomb Gp(H) ; Squadron 367th Bomb Sq; XXXXXXXXXX
2. SPECIFY: Point of Departure Thurleigh, England ; Course As prescribed Intended Destination Schweinfurt, Germany ; Type of Mission H. Bomb.
3. WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY AT TIME OF CRASH OR WHEN LAST REPORTED: Haze
4. GIVE: (a) Date 14/10/43 ; Time Unk. ; and Location Unknown of last known whereabouts of missing aircraft.
   (b) Specify whether ( ) Last Sighted; ( ) Last contacted by Radio; ( ) Forced Down; ( ) Seen to Crash; or (x) Information not Available.
5. AIRCRAFT WAS LOST, OR IS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN LOST, AS A RESULT OF: (Check only one ( )Enemy Aircraft; ( ) Enemy Anti-Aircraft; ( ) Other Circumstances as follows Unknown
6. AIRCRAFT: Type, Model and Series B-17F ; A.A.F. Serial Number 42-30175
7. ENGINES: Type, Model and Series R-1820-97 ; A.A.F. Serial Number (a) 41-57673 (b) 43-60549 ; (c) 43-64640 ; (d) 43-57431
8. INSTALLED WEAPONS (Furnish below Make, Type and Serial Number)
   (a) S-116168 ; (b) GM-382879 ; (c) GM-322847 ; (d) S-115834
   (e) F-382900 ; (f) F-333169 ; (g) GM-382939 ; (h) GM-383940
9. THE PERSONS LISTED BELOW WERE REPORTED AS: (a) Battle Casualty X XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
10. NUMBER OF PERSONS ABOARD AIRCRAFT: Crew 10 ; Passengers 0 ; Total 10
    (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	
EUS 1.	Pilot	Butler, Richard	1st Lt.	0-885476	RTD
EUS 2.	Co-Pilot	Kappmeyer, John W.	1st Lt.	0-746364	
EUS 3.	Navigator	McCaleb, Harold K.	1st Lt.	0-670148	
EUS 4.	Bombardier	Banda, Francis X.	2nd Lt.	0-741221	
EUS 5.	Top Turret Gunner	Heyburn, Alexander Jr.	T/Sgt.	15101646	RTD
EUS 6.	Radio Operator	May, Amos R.	T/Sgt.	16043996	
EUS 7.	Ball Turret Gunner	DeBuyser, Edward Jr.	S/Sgt.	12138530	RTD
EUS 8.	Right Waist Gunner	St. Louis, Marcel J.	S/Sgt.	16109481	RTD
EUS 9.	Left Waist Gunner	Henderson, Ernest H.	S/Sgt.	38259045	
EUS 10.	Tail Gunner	Harris, James E.	S/Sgt.	32490121	RTD

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

	Name in Full (Last Name First)	Rank	Serial Number	Check Only One Column: Contacted By Radio	Last Sighted	Saw Crash	Saw Forced Landing
1.	None						
2.							
3.							

12. 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 reason (Specify) None
13. ATTACH AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH, MAP, CHART, OR SKETCH, SHOWING APPROXIMATE LOCATION WHERE AIRCRAFT WAS LAST SEEN.
14. ATTACH EYEWITNESS DESCRIPTION OF CRASH, FORCED LANDING, OR OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES PERTAINING TO MISSING AIRCRAFT.
15. ATTACH A DESCRIPTION OF THE EXTENT OF SEARCH, IF ANY, AND GIVE NAME, RANK AND SERIAL NUMBER OF OFFICER IN CHARGE HERE