

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 air crew member is officially reported missing.

AAF Station

1. ORGANIZATION: Location, by Name 111 ; Command or Air Force 8th
 Group 306th Bomb(H) Squadron, 367th Bomb(H) Squadron
2. SPECIFY: Place of Departure Thurleigh, Eng ; Course as prescribed
 Target or Intended Destination Berlin ; Type of Mission Heavy Bomb
3. WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY AT TIME OF CRASH OR WHEN LAST REPORTED:
Solid overcast to 23,000 feet
4. GIVE: (a) Day 5 ; Month Dec ; Year 44 ; Time Unkn ; and Location Ditching
 of last known whereabouts of missing aircraft.
 (b) Specify whether aircraft was last sighted () ; Last contacted by
 radio (x) ; Forced down () ; Seen to Crash () ; or Information not Avail-
 able ()
5. AIRCRAFT WAS LOST, OR IS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN LOST, AS A RESULT OF: (Check
 only one) Enemy aircraft () ; Enemy anti-aircraft (x) ; Other Circumstances
 as Follows: _____
6. AIRCRAFT: Type, model and Series B-17-G ; AAF Serial Number 42-32999 ✓
7. NICKNAME OF AIRCRAFT, if any Fightin' Carbarne Hammarlaw
8. ENGINES: Type, Model and Series R-1820-97 ; AAF Serial
 Number (a) SW-002271 ; (b) SW-018729 ; (c) SW-007376 ; (d) 42-81034
9. INSTALLED WEAPONS (Furnish below Make, Type and Serial Number);
 (a) GM-727334 ; (b) S-9499912 ; (c) B-898959 ; (d) GM-727786 ;
 (e) GM-638173 ; (f) GM-637932 ; (g) GM-633886 ; (h) GM-638381 ;
 (i) S-969418 ; (j) GM-633886 ; (k) GM-638381 ; (l) S-969418 ;
 (m) GM-633267 ; (n) GM-638384 ; (o) GM-637944 ; (p) _____ ;

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GM-General
 Motors
 B-buffalo
 S-Salvage

10. THE PERSONS LISTED BELOW WERE REPORTED AS: (a) Battle Casualty
 or (b) Non Battle Casualty _____
11. NUMBER OF PERSONS ABOARD AIRCRAFT: Crew 9 ; Passengers 0 ; Total 9
 (Starting with Pilot, furnish the following particulars: If more than 11
 persons were aboard aircraft, list similar particulars on separate sheet
 and attach original to this form.)

Status

Crew Position	Name in Full (Last Name First)	Rank	Serial Number	Current Status
<u>DED</u> 1. Pilot - Pilot	<u>Manning, Charles F.</u>	<u>2d Lt</u>	<u>50-770702</u>	<u>MIA</u> ✓
<u>FOD</u> 2. Pilot-Co-Pilot	<u>Wilson, Paul A.</u>	<u>2d Lt</u>	<u>90-770876</u>	<u>MIA</u> ✓
<u>FOD</u> 3. Navigator-Navigator	<u>Schneider, Norman</u>	<u>F/O</u>	<u>7 T-127494</u>	<u>MIA</u> ✓
<u>FOD</u> 4. Bomb-Nose Gunner	<u>Tannenbaum, Paul</u>	<u>2d Lt</u>	<u>90-765751</u>	<u>MIA</u> ✓
<u>DED</u> 5. Aer Eng-Top Turr Gun.	<u>Nusser, William</u>	<u>Sgt</u>	<u>635533547</u>	<u>MIA</u> ✓
6. Radio Opr-Radio Opr.	<u>Johnson, Vincent S.</u>	<u>Sgt</u>	<u>437344253</u>	<u>MIA</u> ✓
7. Aer Gun-Ball Turr Gun.	<u>GILE, Harry L.</u>	<u>Sgt</u>	<u>339921388</u>	<u>MIA</u> ✓
8. Aer Gun-Waist Gun	<u>Dewey, Edwin R.</u>	<u>Sgt</u>	<u>236860850</u>	<u>MIA</u> ✓
9. Aer Gun-Tail Gun	<u>Cox, John A., Jr.</u>	<u>Sgt</u>	<u>114193156</u>	<u>MIA</u> ✓

12. IDENTIFY BELOW THOSE PERSONS WHO ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE LAST KNOWLEDGE OF AIR-
 CRAFT AND CHECK APPROPRIATE COLUMN TO INDICATE BASIS FOR SAME:

Check Only One Column

Name in Full (Last Name First)	Rank	Serial Number	Contacted by Radio	Last Sighted	Saw Crash	Forecast Landing
1. <u>TURNER, William B. Jr.</u>	<u>2nd Lt</u>	<u>O-822568</u>	<u>X</u>			
2. _____						
3. _____						

13. IF PERSONNEL ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE SURVIVED, ANSWER YES TO ONE OF THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS: (a) Parachutes were used Unknown; (b) Persons were seen walking away from scene of crash Unknown; or (c) Any other reason (Specify) Unknown
14. ATTACH AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH, MAP, CHART, OR SKETCH, SHOWING APPROXIMATE LOCATION WHERE AIRCRAFT WAS LAST SEEN OR HEARD FROM.
15. ATTACH EYEWITNESS DESCRIPTION OF CRASH, FORCED LANDING, OR OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES PERTAINING TO MISSING AIRCRAFT.
16. GIVE NAME, RANK AND SERIAL NUMBER OF OFFICER IN CHARGE OF SEARCH, IF ANY, INCLUDING DESCRIPTION AND EXTENT Air Sea Rescue may have made search. Results unknown

Date of Report 12 December, 1944

J. A. Lamotta
 (Signature of Preparing Officer)
J. A. LAMOTTA,
 Captain, Air Corps,
 Asst Adjutant

17. REMARKS OR EYEWITNESS STATEMENTS:
See S-2 Report

Incl: S-2 Report (in quad) - 1-

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GROUP 306th Bomb Gr. SQ367th Bomb Sq/C No. 42-32099 MISSION DATE 5/12/44

FIRST PILOT Manning, Charles F. RANK 2nd Lt ASN 0-770702 DESTINATION Berlin
NAME RANK ASN

1. Position of missing aircraft when last sighted or contacted:

- (a) By coordinates Unknown
- (b) Approximate altitude Last contacted ditching
- (c) Last noted heading see (b)
- (d) If out of formation, approximate distance from formation see (b)

2. Describe enemy opposition (intensity of flak, intensity and method of enemy fighter attack, etc., with particular reference to missing A/C)

At target moderate tracking on lead and high, inaccurate on low. Barrage North of MPI. Meager AA fire before and on way out. Aircraft in question flying in Lead Squadron

3. Description of extent of damage to missing aircraft (including fires, explosions, etc):

Unknown

4. If aircraft was out of control describe appearance:

Last heard from sending SOS to Air Sea Rescue which was able to get fix.

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5. If distressed aircraft was out of formation was it last seen with escort? Unknown If so, give distinguishing markings of fighter group if noted (Group number, color and or fighter aircraft numbers, nicknames, etc.).

6. Number of parachutes seen and description of jumps (approximate altitude, time between jumps, etc)

No parachutes observed as aircraft was not seen to leave formation

7. Any other remarks not covered by above:

None

8. Date of report 10 December, 1944

EYE-WITNESSES: NAME RANK ASN A/C No.

1. TURNER, WILLIAM B. Jr. 2nd Lt. 0-822568 43-38683
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

INTERROGATING OFFICER (Sign Original and one copy):

John M. Kavanaugh Captain 0-578133 S-2 Officer.
NAME RANK ASN DUTY
JOHN M. KAVANAUGH

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