Mr. Russell A. Strong Secretary/Editor 306th Echos 5323 Cheval Place Charlotte, NC 28205

Dear Sir.

My father Joe M. Carpenter recently passed away and he had been receiving a copy of your "306th Echos". He would never talk about his time in the service and as a result we know very little of that time in his life. The only paperwork I have is his discharge papers (copy enclosed). Could you please send an explanation of the highlighted areas on his discharge papers? I understand he was a bombsight mechanic but what does the 683 refer to? I have also been able to find a number of obituaries on line that list the EAMETO Medal but so far no description of it. I see no reference to 306 either so could you explain his connection with your group.

I have also requested more info on him and how to replace his medals through the U.S. National Archives (http://www.archives.gov/index.html) but have not heard back from them. Any help you could offer would be greatly appreciated.

Thanks for all you did - and are still doing.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures: Discharge papers, Obituary