

Stanwood, WA 98292

Mr. Russell Strong
5323 Cheval Place
Charlotte, NC 28204

Dear Russell:

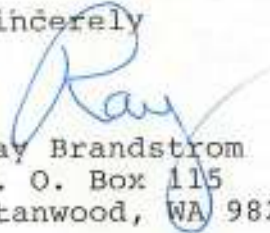
I am taking your advice and ordering a Book - First Over Germany for our local library. I will present it to the library in honor of George Broz of this community recently deceased who flew in the 423rd of the 306th. I will make every effort to include his wife Helga and the family.

The second book will be sent to my cousin in Sweden who we visited last summer. He met us at the airport and put his hands on my shoulders and said, "Raymond I have wanted to meet you as long as I can remember, you boys came over to Europe and saved the world." They truly appreciate the effort that was made in WWII.

The check is for \$126.00. Two books for \$76.00 and \$50.00 toward the costs of the Echos and the efforts made by so many people to keep us in touch.

Thanks to all involved.

Sincerely


Ray Brandstrom
P. O. Box 115
Stanwood, WA 98292-0115

March 7, 2002

Dear Russel:

I would like to order the book 25 years
of 306th Echos. A check for \$55⁰⁰ is enclosed.

In addition I would like you to know that
my wife of 53 years died July 18, 2001. We
had 4 children and 4 grandchildren. It is
~~so~~ very lonely. Appreciate your help.

Sincerely

Ray Brandstrom 1st Lt Pilot
423rd B.S. 306th Bwp

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