

RECORD UPDATE

306th Bomb Group Association

(Please complete as much of this form as you wish, and return to  
Russ Strong at the reunion, or mail to Russ Strong, 5323 Cheval  
Place, Charlotte, NC 28205) Little Rock 1989

Date completed 1 Dec 90

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Serial #: 6564943 Squadron: 367<sup>D</sup> Specialty: First Sgt  
Crew Chief  
Date joined 306th: Original If combat, what crew:  
Special duties or assignments w/306th: Orig. Group Sgt Major (Acting)  
Number of missions flown: Date of last mission:  
Date left 306th: First Ground Retated Highest rank/grade with 306th: M/Sgt  
Other 8th AF units served with:

Top service assignments after 306th: NCOIC Operations <sup>7050<sup>D</sup></sup> Air Intelligence Group -  
USAF retirement date: 31 July '58 Rank/grade: M/Sgt

Copies of old 306th orders, either from the Group or Station 111, or any of the  
squadrons or other units, will be welcomed by the secretary.

If you know of other 306th people who do not appear in the directory, please add  
their names and current or former addresses to this sheet so that we may search  
further for them.



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EDWARD S. GREGORY

CENTRAL DISTRICT CHAIRMAN

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CALIFORNIA-HAWAII ELKS ASSOCIATION

*1077 Mansfield Rd*

~~1077 Mansfield Rd~~ LIVERMORE, CALIFORNIA 94550

from the desk of

ED GREGORY

13 August 1959

Dear Rus:

If memory serves me correctly, here is some morre data on the names of planes.

The Cavalier, with Capt Wm Kirk, was my ship and was salvaged upon her return from the Schweinfurt raid.

The 367th also had a "Scarlet" and was flown by Capt. Richard O'Hara -- also my ship.

"Terry and the Pirates" was one of the original planes and was flown by Capt Bill Terry and I think was from the 367th.

"Combined Operations" was actually two different ships joined by the Depot Squadron and belonged to the 367th and was crewed by a Sgt Wallace. (I think).

"The Impatient Virgin was crewed by C. Emeigh of the 367th.

"Maryland My Maryland" was crewed by a Sgt L. Turner also of the 367th.

Am getting the news letter out this week (I hope) as well as one to all California 306th members to get them to come to either one reunion or both.

Will see you in Phoenix this fall.

*P.S.*

Sincerely

*Just talked with  
Ward B. Fowler -*

*3491 Middlelon Ave  
Castro Valley, CA*




*94546 - He will try to make Phoenix, I'll read him the application*

from the desk of

ED GREGORY

13 August 1979

Subject: Eight Air Force Reunion, Pheonix, ARZ

TO:  Russel Strong  
Bill Collins  
C. Joseph Warth  
Aida Kaye

1. Remembering the West and more especially the West Coast is the land of Recreational Vehicles and Motor Homes, these questions should be answered:

a. What is the cost per person for the various activities, i.e. Octoberfest, Fiesta, Reunion Banquet, etc.

b. Is there an RV Park near the Reunion Headquarters? Its name and location.

2. I am writing each Known member of the 367th as well as those in my area encouraging them to attend. I will make a personal visit to those Group Commanders in Northern Cal., i.e. Overaker, Sutton, etc.

3. Please let me have some answers to my questions, as My Wife and I plan to be there and would like to be a part of the reunion, but will come via Motorhome.

4. For President Warth, may I suggest that the Rev. Thomas Meersman, former Bombardier of the 423rd Sqdn, 306th Group and POW be invited as Chaplin. "Father Tom" is a well known speaker and religious leader in the Inter-Mountain Area.

Sincerely



*P.S.*

*In Short - How much for  
all Activities Less the  
Hotel Costs?*

from the desk of

ED GREGORY

Dear Russ -

Just a line to remind you of the  
"listing" so I can get to work -

Have set up several fellows to assist  
in the search & Contact of 306 Members with  
accent on 367<sup>th</sup>,

You & Bill and your ladies deserve a big  
thanks for as swell get-together - My wife & I  
are looking forward to the next one - be in Ariz.  
or Colo.

Hope to hear from you with the list real  
soon - Thank

Best regards for a Great Holiday Season  
to you & yours -

Sincerely  


from the desk of

ED GREGORY

Dear Bill -

Anything I can do here on the West Coast  
I will do.

Rus sent me a list of "missing" and  
I have a Team of 10 367<sup>th</sup> Members  
working to locate as many as we can, that  
is Ten in addition to myself. If you have  
any other possibles you want tracked down  
send em to me -

Enclosed is my response to our own  
Reunion - and a check for the general  
fund -

Sincerely,



from the desk of

ED GREGORY

20 August 79

Dear Ras -

To keep you informed -

News Release as shown.

The 306<sup>th</sup> Letterhead To all People in Calif. (111)

The 367<sup>th</sup> Letter to all Squadron Members including Calif.

In trying to make Phone Calls I got no listings or a disconnect on the following:

William Allen

Raymon J. Arusy

Allen T. ~~Baker~~ Ballard

George C Benner

Willim R. Cain, Menlo Park was not in the

306<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup> AFB a loud & very clear No + hung up!

John J. 14<sup>th</sup> Lean

Louis S. Means - has died

\* C. B. Overacker - Disconnected - I will

drive up and try to locate him.

Add to the 8<sup>th</sup> AFB - The following:

Don Excell, 14201 Minns Road, Livermore,  
94550 - 39A Bomb Gp., 586<sup>P</sup> Sqdn

John<sup>R</sup> Gross (Z1-C1) 755 Los Alamos Ave  
Livermore, 94550 Org unknown at this time.

Move later - See you in Phoenix





For Immediate Release  
Contact: Ed Gregory  
443-4135

The Eighth Air Force Historical Society is making an all out effort to locate former members of the "Mighty Eighth" that flew from England during World War II.

The Society is holding it's Fifth Stateside Reunion at the Del Webb Townhouse in Phoenix, October 25 thru 28th. The officials promise a wonderful weekend in Phoenix renewing old friendships and engaging in prolonged sessions of hanger flying with fellow comrades. Each Unit; Wing; Group and Squadron will have their own "mini-reunions" during the days and early evenings.

All former members of this once the Worlds Mightiest Air Army are asked to contact Ed Gregory, the Northern California Contact at 1077 Marigold Road, Livermore, 94550 or call him for more information (415) 443-4135 and are encouraged to attend the big reunion and renew old friendships.

*Copies Furnished:*

*San Francisco Chronicle*

*Oakland Tribune*

*Sacramento Bee*

*San Jose Mercury News*

*Channels 2, 3, 4, 5 & 7 TV Stations (3 is Sacramento)*

*KNBR, KCBS & KSFO*

*Hearold News*

*Valley Times*

*The Independent*



# 367<sup>th</sup> Bomb. Sqdn. 306<sup>th</sup> Bomb. Group (H) Wendover, Utah To Thurleigh, Bed's, England

ED. GREGORY  
1077 MARIGOLD ROAD  
LIVERMORE, CA. 94550

Greetings former members of the 367th Squadron!!!!

During the last reunions of the "Mighty Eighth Air Force", the "First over Germany 306th Bomb Group has had the largest delegation and our Squadron has led the group. Lets maintain our status as "Leaders" and have every known Squadron Member at either Colorado Springs 306th "mini-reunion" or at Phoenix or at both.

At the last count there are approximately 253 known members that we have addresses for. Each member will be mailed a copy of this Newsletter with a request for address correction.

At the last reunion in Washington D.C. a group of us, about a dozen, got to - - "Wonder what has happened to \_\_\_\_\_?" As the result, Ed Gregory, the original First Sergeant and later a Crew Chief was selected (elected?) to chair the effort of trying to form the Squadron again. Helping him have been ; C. Larry Emigh, Bill Futchik, "Doc" Houlihan, George Roberts and Clifford "Arkey" Evans and we are still working at it but need a lot of help, a lot more help!

I have randomly screened the listing of names and addresses and selected a few names of former Squadron members: Ed Leahy, D. Fuhrmeister, Mark Madson, Irwin Combs, John Kalb, Clay Ganes, Stan Jarrow, "Swede" Amundson, John Lambert, Tom Legerwood, Dick O'Hara, Ken Reecher, "Slim" Somerville, and "Dolf" Visconti and I sure hope you fellows will make a real effort to encourage attendance at these reunions as well as help to locate some of the missing "Clay Pigeons".

During the Phoenix Reunion the 306th will have a separate get-together and our Squadron will also have it's own "mini-reunion". I will have more details in my next letter or will have "Flyers" when you sign in.

SPECIAL NOTE TO OUR ORIGINAL SQUADRON COMMANDER: Colonel Harry J. Holt, we are all looking forward to seeing you again, so PLEASE make a real special effort to come.


Does anyone know the whereabouts of the other Commanders; William S. Raper, George Buckey, Robert Williams, Charles Flannagan, Earl Kesling Tom Witt, John Chalfant and James Darby????? Someone lets us know.

I have received some telephone calls about the reunion in Phoenix and have received some special instructions for a few members, so here goes, To Clay Ganes - "Best you be there" from Bull Futchik, Bill Feeser and Mark Madson. To Russell Lamonica - "If you dont show we will come get you" from Mark Madson, Ed Gregory and Swede Amundson. To the Wissenback Twins, A whole bunch of the Original Squadron want to see you two so best you show up.

Come on Clay Pigeons lets lead the Group again as we have done so many many times before. Lets all make a BIG BIG effort to make the reunion!!!

I any of you will, please drop me a line so that I can keep the rest of the Squadron informed as to what we all are doing. This is only the first "367th Newsletter" but I do need news -----

Sincerely,

  
Ed Gregory  
1077 Marigold Road  
Livermore, CA, 94550  
(415) 443-4135



367th, 368th, 369th, 423rd Squadrons, and service organizations  
Thurleigh, Bedfordshire, England - September 1942-April 1945

# 306<sup>TH</sup> BOMBARDMENT GROUP ASSOCIATION

ED. GREGORY  
1077 MARIGOLD ROAD  
LIVERMORE, CA. 94550

Hello there California 306th Bomb Group members!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

It's reunion time again and this time it is in the West, not our Golden West, but the West. This should make it easy for most of us. At the other reunions of the Mighty Eighth the 306th has had the largest contingent, lets keep that record.

Currently there are approximately one hundred eleven known former 306th members living in our Golden State. Among them are two former Group Commanders. Our original Commander, Colonel C. B. Overacker, who led the 8th Air Force on it's only low level attack. Think about going in at St Nazaire at 7000 feet and hit their target. The other is Colonel J. S. Sutton, our fifth Commander. We hope to see both of you gentlemen. How about it, will you?????

Speaking of Commanders, does anyone know the where-a-bouts of General Armstrong, Colonel Putnam, Colonel Robinson and Colonel Upham???? If any of you do please let me know.

I am sure that many of you do not remember me, so let me introduce myself; former Sergeant Gregory who acted for a time at Wendover as Group Sgt Major, then as First Sgt of the 367th and later as Crew Chief (Rose of York).

This letter is being sent to all known California former members of the 306th to encourage attendance at either Colorado Springs Group Reunion or at Phoenix with the 8th Air Force or to both.

I would enjoy hearing from each of you in regards to attending this the Fifth Stateside Reunion.

If any of you are planning on making the trip via Motorhome or Trailer please let me know and I will make all such reservations, if you like.

Bill Van Norman, the Group Public Information Officer will not be able to attend as he has had a Heart attack so some cards and letters may help, 669 47th Ave., San Francisco, 94121.

COME ON GOLDEN STATE 306th lets make a real BIG showing!!!!!!!!!!

See all of you in Phoenix!

Sincerely,

1077 Marigold Road  
Livermore, CA 94550

15 September 1979

Hi There!

Here is an up dated list - Results of the News Releases;  
Elmer Webber died August 25, 1979 (Letter from his widow)  
Richard J. Somerville died Paril 23, 1978 (Letter from his daughter)

No forwarding address:

Richard E. Malay  
Allen T. Ballard  
Robert Danknich  
Edmund F. Longworth

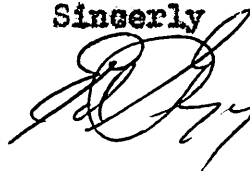
Jack A. Cunningham

Requested information on the Reunion. Copies of the Program and  
Registration forms sent by return mail.

E. C. Deal (306th BG, 369th Sqdn) 1220 Windsor Way, Redwood City,  
CA., 94061 (He also received copies of my letters and Colo. Spgs)  
A. Steller (447th BG) 3220 Salida Way, Shingle Springs, CA, 95682  
Hugh W. Charnes (401st BG) 1304 SE 17th Terrace, Cape Coral, FL, 33904  
E. A. Williams (446th BG) 3092 Latham Lane, El Dorado Hills, CA, 95630  
M. W. Goff (Unit unknown) 7855 Chaboly Way, Fair Oaks, CA, 95628  
Dan Muat (389th BG) 556 La Copita, San Ramon, CA, 94583  
Lloyd Berger (389th BG) 4432 Slide Circle, Colorado Springs, CO, 80917  
Rubin Duke (389th BG) 277 Clearview, San Antonio, TX, 78228  
Dick Furrer (452nd BG) 22160 Redwood Drive, Castro Valley, CA, 94546  
Norris Nilson (392nd BG) 16017 Gramercy Drive, San Leandro, CA, 94578  
Merman Votz (392nd BG) 4010 College, Oakland, CA., 94602  
J. A. Chandler (44th BG) 2132 W. Glenrosa, #81C, Phoenix, AZ 85015  
(saw the article in the Sacramento Bee while on a visit)

See you in Colorado Springs and also in Phoenix -- until then.....

Sincerely



cc  
Bill Collins  
Russ Strong  
Joe Warth





# 367<sup>th</sup> Bomb. Sqdn. 306<sup>th</sup> Bomb. Group (H) Wendover, Utah To Thurleigh, Bed's, England

6 SEP 1950

The Mighty 306th Bomb Group is airborne again and getting into "formation", and the 367th Sqdn will again be in the lead!!!!!!

The response to both newsletters (one to Sqdn members and one to California Group members) has been OUTSTANDING!!! I have received letters and telephone calls from all over.

Of intrest to everyone: I have had a news release aired on five major TV Stations, Three Radio (NBC, CBS & ABC) Five Northern California Newspapers (One made the front page).

Of the more than 300 letters; 20 have been returned marked "No forwarding address". The list I will forward to Russ Strong and Bill Collins.

Many of you seem not to have heard much about the Reunion at Colorado Springs, the 306th "mini-reunion has been organized by Joe Marciano and Andy Vangalis (369th Sqdn). I talked with Joe on August 29th and he expects between 150 and 200 members and their ladies - - - here are a few of the details as I have them:  
It will be the 19th, 20th & 21st of October at the Four Seasons Motor Inn, 2886 South Circle Drive, Colo. Spgs., CO, 80909, (303) 577-5900, Ms Laurie Sctterday, Reunion Coordinator.

		Meals	Registration	Total
2 nights (double)	\$76.00	\$40.00	\$30.00	\$146.00
2 nights (single)	64.00	20.00	15.00	99.00
Saturday night & Sunday morning (double)	38.00	32.00	30.00	100.00
Saturday Banquet Only (double)		25.00	15.00	40.00
(single)		12.00	8.00	20.00

NOTE: Joe informs me that the cost of the meals includes the Banquet. For more info. call Joe at (303) 597-0825.

There will be sight seeing trips available to the Air Academy and the points of intrest in Colorado Springs.

Russ Strong has written me that Col C. B. Overacker is now in the Denver area so more than likely will make this affair.

My wife and I hope to make both reunions, but at this time we are not sure, so if I miss Phoenix, I'll make the next one and see you then!!!!!!

### Of 367th Interest:

I have just talked with "Red" Jackson (he of Bombsight fame) and he has been in contact with Clay Ganes, John Kalb and many others getting them to come to "The Springs". I further understand that "Boss" Kalb and "Dolf" Visconti will be putting out "Contracts" on any former Clay Pigeon who does not have a real good (air tight) alibi for not attending. Some of the names mentioned were; Amundsen, Jarrow, Emeigh, Futchek and Iannucci as well as Bill Feeser. Harry Brown, the original Radio Operator for Colonel Buckey as written me that the Colonel died last year of a heart attack.

For the past several days I have tried to telephone Col. Harry J. Holt and urge him to attend, but have had no luck. How about everybody trying? His number is (813) 465-4382. Lets try to get the Original C.O. there!!!!

This will be the final Newsletter until after the Reunion. Lets all be there and form the Mighty 306th Association. Bill Collins and Russ Strong need our help and support. They both have done one Hellova job over the years!!

Look for the 367th "Orderly Room" at the Four Seasons. See ya!!!!

Sincerely,

1077 Marigold Road  
Livermore, CA., 94550

6 September 1979

Dear Russ - - -

As a result of my mailing over 300 letters and utilizing your latest listings for addresses, the following have been returned marked "No such address" or "Unable to Forward":

Billy S. Brown  
Charles E. Cushing  
Horace Corigliano  
William Eubanks  
Philip Kaplan  
William E. Kellum  
Frank B. Leasman  
C. B. Overacker (Your note arrived too late)  
Robert C. Williams  
Gail Mason  
Harry J. Holt (Telephone Number is good for "Placid Lake, FL, But latest Zip code book fails to show Placid Lake Or Lake Placid)  
Daniel L. Speelman  
Donald P. Roeber  
Fred D. Jones

Letters received from widows informing me of deaths:

Robert E. Lee  
Jackson Van Dever

As the result of the inclosed News release I have found:

Walter C. Reid, 21797 Ventura Blvd, Woodland Hills,  
CA., 91364 (Radio Operator 369th)  
Dick Jenkins, 5390 Sundance, Livermore, CA., 94550

In reply to my newsletters these address changes:

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CA., 94546  
G.R. Keith Jackson, 2802 Louisiana, Houston,  
TX., 77002

And Search for: Mr William Trombley (Retired AF Near Westover  
AFB, Mass.

Mr Todd Motley, Same as above  
Mr Francic O. Mc Garvey on Nantucket Island

The enclosed article appeared in five Bay area news papers, and I am still getting calls, so should have more information in my next letter.

I dont think I will be able to make Phoenix, so hope to see you in Colorado Springs.

Sincerely

cc:  
Bill Colins



(over)

1077 Marigold Road  
Livermore, CA., 94550

6 September 1979

From your latest Search list I - have this

info.

Lester E. Abel - Two each -

1307 Barry Ave., West Los Angeles

11970 Montana Ave., West Los Angeles

Still Calling & Looking

*[Handwritten signature]*

Harry J. Holt (Telephone Number is good for "Placid  
Lake, MI, but latest zip code book fails  
to show Placid Lake Or Lake Placid)

Daniel J. Spearman  
Donald P. Roeder  
Fred D. Jones

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Dickson Van Dever

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*[Handwritten signature]*

cc: Bill Collins



367<sup>th</sup> Bomb. Sqdn.  
306<sup>th</sup> Bomb. Group (H)  
Wendover, Utah To Thurleigh, Bed's, England

July 12, 1986

The Eighth Air Force Historical Society  
P.O. Box 3556  
Hollywood FL, 33083

Dear Editor:

Okay! Enough is enough! Lets get this "Rose of York" problem (?) straightened out as to the facts.

First; I am the individual who first named the A/C in question. It is I who presented then Princess Elizabeth with two dozen York Roses at the start of the ceremony. It was myself and my crew who scrubbed the A/C clean for her "christening".

Secondly; An A/C with a "Triangle H" and serial Numbers "547" was NEVER assigned to Molesworth.

Thirdly; After the ceremony at Airforce Station 111 (Thurleigh), Capt. Perry Raster, Pilot; Lt Talmadge McDonough, Co-pilot; Capt. William Pleasant, Navigator; T/Sgt George Roberts and myself flew the "Rose of York" to Molesworth. We parked the Rose of York near the big hanger. While we went to get some chow, many, many troops from Molesworth took many many pictures. It so happens that the Royal Family visited Molesworth that same day - for what reason I do not know.

If Captains Raster and Pleasant were alive to day they would confirm the above. I know Roberts and McDonough will.


Come on Molesworth straighten up and get off the back of the 367<sup>th</sup> Clay Pigeons and the "First over Germany 306<sup>th</sup> Group.

Sincerely,

  
Ed Gregory

M/Sgt, USAF Retired

Crew Chief, Rose of York, also known as "Princess Elizabeth",  
and "Princess".

 R. A. Strong  
Col. Ryan



from the desk of . . .

ED GREGORY

1 Oct 79

Dear Russ -

Here is some info I received from Col Spencer, maybe you are aware, if not heretiz -

Earl Kesting Retired USAF living in Florida.

Tom Witt, went crazy at Barksdale.  
John Chalfant retired as a Col.

Rudy Skalak, Group Photo Officer retired L/C in Los Angeles Area - This one I will check out.

New Finds -

Herbert McVickers (367<sup>th</sup>) 5619 Forrestwood Drive, Sacramento, CA 95842, will be at Colo. Spys.

Walter Johnson (Group Bombsight) 1414 Bridge St  
- Indianapolis IN

Roy Plauger (367<sup>th</sup>) Burley, ID.

Donald G. Bell (305<sup>th</sup>) 18 Milburn Ct., San  
Ramon, CA

The Russell you asked to check-out  
turned up a zero on my first try -  
May locate him before Phoenix -

Sincerely  


27 June 1989

Dear EdL

I have been meaning to write you for some time, and finally have gotten my act together this evening.

I have reason to believe that there is an old 367th pilot who lives in the East Bay area, perhaps from Oakland on south.

He is Ward R. Fowler, known to his barracks friends as Flacky and now without reason. Fowler had been in the Air Force for some years when he got into cadets, and ended up in England as a pilot at SHAEF headquarters, where he said he taught generals to fly.

This wasn't his cup of tea, and as he wanted excitement he asked for a transfer to a combat outfit, and ended up with the 367th. For weeks he hung around, slow timing planes, flying practice missions, and never getting put on a mission. There came that morning when the call went for him and he flew. When he staggered into the barracks, all he said as he looked at his bed was "No fucking mail." He fell on the bed and was out for about 12 hours.

Anyway, would you see if you can track him down. You might take a look in telephone directories at library, and if you can, give him a call to verify the address. If you find out he is deceased, see if you can get a date.

I'll appreciate any effort you can put forth.

Hope all is well with you and your family. It was good to see you in Las Vegas last fall.

Ed Gregory

5 October 1994

Dear Ed:

It saddened me that you were unable to be with us at the recent reunion in Des Moines, as many of us took great joy in once again seeing the Rose of York taxi out after a reenactment of the christening.

There will be pictures of it in the October issue of Echoes, which will probably go to press next week.

Unfortunately, the ground winds were too high for either the B-17 or the B-29 to get into the air, so we had to content ourselves with seeing it taxi up and down the runway a few times. The planes are made of styrofoam and other plastics, and are very light, and also very expensive to build. The guess is that the B-17 cost about \$75,000 to build.

Also, I only recently learned of E. C. Rowell's death, and his widow sent me clippings that appeared in local papers at that time.

I thought you might enjoy reading about his postwar accomplishments as a cigar-smoking, backroom politician who had considerable weight in Florida for a number of years.

Back to the Rose: only Bill Landrum, one of the gunners, was able to show up at the reunion, so leaning on his cane, he got to pour the champagne over the nose of the new aircraft.

Our reunion chairman said he had seen the B-17 flying, and once you got it away from the airfield structures, he reports that it certainly looked real.

I am sorry to learn of your battles with health, and do hope that you are gaining and are comfortable at this time.

The spirit of the 367th lives on!

7 November 2002

Edward Gregory  
1077 Marigold Rd  
Livermore, CA 94550

Dear Ed:

I have been trying to identify the enclosed picture, and am hoping that you can do better than I am. It must have been a crew there a bit before Roland Lissner, whom I think was the last crew assigned to the ship on a regular basis.

I will appreciate any tips you can give me on the pilot or anyone else on the crew. I figure if I get one man I can quickly work from there to find their names, and then hope to find someone who can put names and faces together.

Hope all is well with you. Right now we have a son and grandson from Mountain View, CA, with us over the weekend. Its always good to see some of our more distant children. (We have five sons).

This one is executive officer of an Army reserve unit in San Jose and lives in base housing at Moffatt air base. Nice setup, and we have enjoyed visiting him there. But he will probably retire from the Army within about a year.

Let me know your thoughts on this picture. I am pretty sure it was a later rather than an earlier crew because of the five EMs in the front row.

The best to you,

Ras - I know you will get this to the  
account - Sorry it can't be more -  
Hope you can understand the info.

Russell A. Strong, Secretary  
306th Bomb Group Association  
5323 Cheval Place  
Charlotte, NC 28205

Gregory, Edward S #

367

1st Sgt  
Crew Chief

Arrival	Promotion	Departed	Death
When the Group was formed. I was Acting Cpl. Sgt Major and promoted to 1 <sup>st</sup> Sgt in Sept July '44.	to M/Sgt 44-03-29	Was one of the first Ground Ech. to leave and come home - June or July '45.	

Marital Status:

Wife's Name: Goldie

~~After arrival I went from~~

1<sup>st</sup> Sgt to Tech Sgt on the Flight Line, Later on AF Regt.

If you have a copy of the order promoting you to Master or to First Sergeant, I would very much like to receive a copy of such, as these are difficult to find. While I have some orders prior to 1 Dec 43, I need more. I do have all orders issued after the above date. I have a group picture of 367th Masters, but have never seen one from another squadron. Have you?

Change the MSGT date from the above To date of rank from 1<sup>st</sup> Sgt date