

Russell Strong

From: "John Henry" <jehenry@gwi.net>
 To: "Russell Strong"
 Sent: Friday, January 23, 2004 8:08 PM
 Subject: Re: Information
 Thanks Russ for responding so quickly.

My uncle's name is 2nd LT. Floyd Burton Henry (serial no. 0-814898), he was a co-pilot. Tail number #42-31469

I do have all his flight records but they don't say what happened, any information would be appreciated.

Thank you very much,

John Henry
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ps: I just realized that you are the author of "First over Germany", its a title that I had written down as a must read.

HENRY, FLOYD

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From: [Russell Strong](#)
 To: [John Henry](#)
 Sent: Friday, January 23, 2004 3:54 PM
 Subject: Re: Information

it would be helpful to know your uncle's name. Send me that, along with your address and I can probably mail you some details. - Russ Strong

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From: [John Henry](#)
 To: russell.a.strong306@worldnet.att.net
 Sent: Thursday, January 22, 2004 5:24 PM
 Subject: Information

Hello Russell,

I was wondering if you could point me in the right direction. I'm looking for a website or something for a crash report on my uncle. He was in the 306th, 367sq at Thurleigh and crashed/KIA on 4/26/44. We don't know any details about the crash but I do have a tail number. Do you know of any database that I could access?

Thank You

John Henry



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

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Author Books
 First Over Germany

Command and Staff
 Officers, 8th Air
 Force, 1942-45

306th Echoes 1975-2000

Editor
 306th Echoes (quarterly)
 306th Directory
 306th Squadron Diaries
 367, 368, 369, 423

Dear John:

I can't do much for you. In the combat units they did not devote much space to plane crashes such as this. But, you are in luck because the copy of the sheet which I enclosed does discuss this crash more than is usually found.

There was no mention of it in the Squadron Diary for this date, but in the mission record I did find this three-paragraph note.

The sole survivor of this crash was George Littlefield. His serial number reveals that he came from the Army's Fourth Corps Area.

So I checked a disc that I have and reviewed the states in the then Fourth Corps area and found these two George Littlefields. It would certainly be a long shot but you might try these two phone numbers and find out.

My guess is that the family was not given as much information as I found:

One of the ways in which men withstood the rigors of combat was not to dwell on such events. If you didn't know them personally you usually did not ask any questions.

Also, there was a pilot flying on that mission who is still living and I suspect that he might be able to dredge up some memory of this event. He is Ralph Malsom, 309 S 4th St, Cameron, WI 54822 (715)458-2020.

Reference in this brief account is "nickels". They were our propaganda leaflets which would be dropped in the target area, probably telling the Germans how badly the war was going for them.

Good Luck,

Always First

First Over Germany