

A HISTORY OF THE 306th BOMBARDMENT GROUP - EIGHTH AIR FORCE
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Telephone 512-494-6518 Date 20 SEPT. 1978
Occupation STATISTICIAN Employer U.S. ARMY
Address FT. SAM HOUSTON, Telephone _____
SAN ANTONIO, TX

Service Record: Serial No(s) AO-824142

Before joining the 306th:

APRIL 43 TO JULY 44 - PILOT TRAINING &
B-17 TRANSITION

After leaving the 306th:

8 SEPT 44 - SHOT DOWN & POW
FOR 8 MONTHS, STALAG 20F I

306th Record:

Arrival Date JULY 44 Squadron or other unit 423 BS
MOS CO-PILOT Combat Status YES
Missions Completed 8
Promotions NONE
Decorations XAM olcs DFC olcs SS DSM DSC MH SM
PH Battle Stars _____ other _____

(OVER)

Other personal data:

COMPLETED 2 1/2 YEARS ACTIVE DUTY,
NOV. 30, 1964 AND RETIRED AS
LT. COL.

NO GROUP OR SQUADRON ORDERS IN MY FILES

Description of Air Missions:

(What were the highlights of your combat career? What was your role? What heroics did you witness? What events were there of which you have special knowledge?)

Its been a long time, but I do remember ~~with~~ vividly I was in 306 B6 when we celebrated 2 years in the ETO of 200. Combat missions. Ray McKinley lead the Glenn Miller band for a dance on Saturday night in the Officers Club. We were supposed, so we were told, to ~~be~~ have been stood down. At roughly 0100 we were told to go home and go to bed, we were flying a mission that day. Which we did.

Years later, I met Ray McKinley again, he still remembered the party and a Lt. who kept supplying him with scotch, which was me.

AS I WAS SHOT DOWN AND A POW, ABOUT THE ONLY RECORDS I HAVE ~~ARE~~ IS MY FORM 5 (FLYING TIME) WHICH WAS FORWARDED TO MY PARENTS.

Name EDWARD E. JORDAN Address 2022 OAKSHIRE DR. SAN ANTONIO, TX 78232
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MISSING AIRCRAFT REPORT

Pilot DANIEL GATES Plane # and Name BLOWNDE BOMBER
 Mission Date 8 SEPT 44 Target ~~WEL~~ LEIPZIG
 Cause of loss: AA fire Fighter attack Other, explain _____

Describe conditions in the plane as completely as you can:

TWO ENGINE LOSS FROM FLAK,
 FORCED OUT OF FORMATION, HIT
 BY FIGHTERS, ON FIRE.
 BALL TURRET GUNNER KILLED BY DIRECT HIT
 FROM ME 109.

How and where did you leave plane?

PARACHUTE, ROUGHLY 28,000 FEET

What happened when you got on the ground?

CAPTURED

Did you meet any of your crew mates?

YES

How were you treated, if captured?

FAIR

NAV.	SMOLENSKI, NOT WITH CREW
T/SGT	NAME-UNKNOWN TOGGLIER - BOMB
2nd LT	TAYLOR (BOMB) SERVING AS NAVIGATOR
SGT	SULZIMSKI - FLT. ENG.
BALL TURRET	FOUNTAIN (I THINK) CANNOT REMEMBER OTHERS NOW.

Any additional details, reminiscences, letters, or documents of these events would be appreciated. If you do send such materials, I will copy them and put them back in the mail to you within 24 hours.

306 B.G.

EDWARD E. JORDAN
2022 OAKSHIRE DR.
SAN ANTONIO, TX 78232

8th Air Force Clearing House
Mr Elmer A. Fessler
3911 N.W. 173rd Terrace
Opalocka, Fla 33055

Dear Sir:

Please forward information on
the 8 AF Convention and
membership in the 8 AF
Historical Society.

Edward E. Jordan

Formerly 306 Bomb Group
423 Bomb Sqdn, 8 AF

2022 Oakshire Dr.
San Antonio, Texas, 78232
19 March 1979

Dear Bill:

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Inclosed is my check for \$10.00.

I enjoyed very much the December 1978
306th Echoes.

Keep up the good work and don't
forget me on the next issue

LT COL USAF RET

Edward E. Jordan

306 BG, 423rd Sqdn

P.S. I would like to attend a 306 BG reunion.
Prefer St. Louis, New Orleans, Atlanta
or Dallas.

2022 BAKSHIRE DR
SAN ANTONIO, TX
Dec. 15, 1987

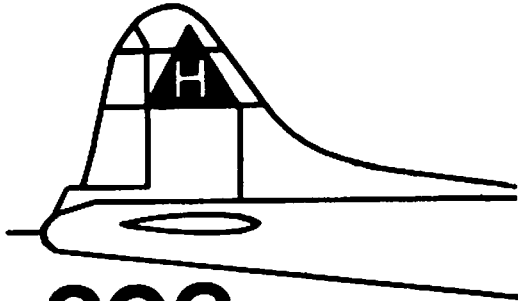
Mr Russell A. Strong
2041 Hilldale
Kalamazoo, MI 49007

Dear Russell:

I do not have any special orders from the 306 SB. I have enclosed copies of my Form 5 reflecting combat time flown in the 306.

I was checked out as a 1st pilot and was told I would have been assigned my own crew in the future. However, I was shot down 12 Sept 44 and was a POW for 8 months.

Edward E Jordan
Note on my Form 5 they spelled JORDAN WITH A "O".



367th, 368th, 369th, 423rd Squadrons, and service organizations
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Dear Reggy:

Here are contracts for Russ for the first quarter 1988. I guess we should make three copies - one for Russ, one for you and the third for the financial records I keep. If you would sign three contracts and three position descriptions - send them to Russ for his signature and he should return one of each to you and to me. The \$500 amount was approved at the Washington Board meeting and I would recommend we address the second quarter amount after I have distributed the year end financial reports.

As I had suspected, I misunderstood General Rader when I called before preparing the September Reports and the \$1,364 I reported as a special donation was included also in the \$6,136 Reunion operations amount - so our September surplus was overstated by that amount. We are still in great shape, after this correction.

The form for Echoes donation was not in the last issue and donations have fallen well below what we were receiving before. I recommend that we give this form priority on space in the future. It is not a bill, but it does serve as an effective reminder that the publication of Echoes depends on continued donations from the membership.

As I told you on the phone, I will propose that we make a contribution to the Endowment Fund in memory of Keith Jackson. I will recommend an amount when I complete the financial reports.

Sincerely

Dale

Copy to Russ Strong

20 February 1989

LTC Edward E. Jordan
2022 Oakshire
San Antonio, TX 78232

Dear Ed:

Writing for myself, and for Don Ross and Reg Robinson,
let me express our thanks to you for your recent gift
to the 306thhBG Project Fund.

Your interest in the Association, as marked by your
gift, is much appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

William F. Houlihan
President

Amount received: \$20.00