

A HISTORY OF THE 306th BOMBARDMENT GROUP - U. S. EIGHTH AIR FORCE
Russell A. Strong 2041 Hillside Kalamazoo, MI 49007

Name FRANK A. KIRKHAM previous surname Wagenfohr
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Home Phone 01-445 5608 Date 18th September 1981
Occupation Managing Director Employer Self
Address as above. Bus. Phone _____

Service Record:

Serial No(s): 12120641 and AO 0818985

Before joining the 306th:

Maxwell Field, Ala. Pilot training.
Camden, S.C. " "
Shaw Field, S.C. " "
George Field, Ill. " "
Dyersburg, Tenn. Combat Training

After leaving the 306th:

Enroute to ZI 20 Dec. 1944
Casual 4 Jan 1945 Fort Dix
Redis Sta. 2 Miami Beach Fla. 29 Jan - 15 Feb. 1945
3017 AAFBU Hobbs, N.M. 16 Feb - 6 Mar 1945
3036 AAFBU Yuma Ariz. 7 Mar 1945 - 8 Jun 1945 Weight & Bal. Off. 0911
Hq Alexandria Field, La. 9 Jun 45 - 2 Aug 1945
Dyersburg Field Tenn. 2 Aug 1945 - 19 Sept. 1945 Prov. Grp Commander
306th Record: Separation 19/Sept. 1945

Arrival date at Thurleigh 8th May 1944

Squadron or other unit(s) 367th Squadron

MOS # 1091 Specialty 4 Engine Pilot

Missions Completed (and date of last) 34 Sept. 17th 1944

Promotions 2nd Lt. to 1st Lt. 6th July 44, to Capt. on AFres.

Decorations AM 3 olcs DFC 1 olcs SS LM SM PH DSC MH

(On unusual DFCs, Silver Stars and other medals, I would appreciate receiving copies of citations for these awards, as they often contain details of the award that may not otherwise be available.)

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21, TEMPLE AVENUE,
WHETSTONE,
LONDON, N. 20.

3rd December 1981

Mr. Russell A. Strong,
2041 Hillsdale,
Kalamazoo, MI 49007,
U.S.A.

Dear Russell,

Your letter was received by me through the V.A. and I sent some items to you in October 1981. However, I unfortunately used your address in N.C. and all the details have just been returned to me.

I am enclosing herewith a copy of the letter I sent to you and if you receive this one, I am quite prepared to send the items mentioned in my letter to you again. As they were returned once, I don't want to send them and have them sent back again.

I await your reply in due course,

Sincerely,



Frank A. Kirkham (previously Wagenfohr)

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21, TEMPLE AVENUE,
WHETSTONE,
LONDON, N. 20.

21st October 1981

Mr. Russell A. Strong,
Rt. 1, Turnpike Road,
Laurinburg, N.C. 28352,
U.S.A.

Dear Russell,

I received your letter through the V.A. and have collected some of the items you have requested. Enclosed herewith are various orders and a few pictures which may be of interest. The bomb stikes are of several taken over Germany and the civilan pictures of me are the ones they gave us in the event that we were shot down over France. All the other details are really self-explanatory. If you need any other information regarding the enclosed, do not hesitate to write and I will try to help to the best of my ability.

When you are finished with the various enclosures, I would appreciate it if you return them for my files. There is no particular rush so please take your time.

With kind regards and good luck for the future of your project.

Sincerely,



Frank A. Kirkham (previously Wagenfohr)

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21, TEMPLE AVENUE,
WHETSTONE,
LONDON, N. 20.

18th February 1982

Mr. Russell A. Strong,
2041, Hillsdale,
Kalamazoo, MI 49007
U.S.A.

Dear Russell,

I am sorry that I wasn't able to meet you while you were in England, but unfortunately I was just on my way to Portugal on business and have just returned.

As promised, I am enclosing herewith the items that I sent to you at your old address. When you are finished with them, I would appreciate it if you would send them back for my own files.

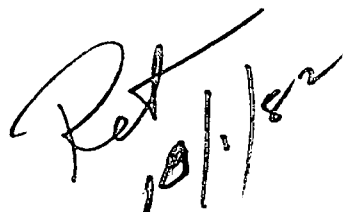
If you get to England again, please let me know and we can then arrange to get together. Similarly, if I come to the States in the near future, I will be in contact.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,



Frank A. Kirkham



O-P-E-R-A-T-I-O-N-A-L S-O-R-T-I-F-E R-E-C-O-R-D

NAME WAGENFOHR, FRANK SQUADRON 367th GROUP 306th
 RANK 1st Lt. DUTY Pilot. SERIAL NUMBER 0-818985

Key	Date of Missions	Group Mission Number	Individ Mission Number	Geographical Location of Targets	Time	Over Total Time
	13, 1944		Spars -----		4:20	
	20		Spars -----		4:00	
	21		Relay -----		3:30	
	23		1	Metz, France.	7:00	
	25		2	Thionville, France.	7:10	
	29		3	Cottbus, Germany.	10:10	
	31		Spars -----		3:30	
	2, 1944		4	Massy-Palisseau, France.	5:15	
	4		Abortion -----		3:10	
	6		5	E. Mission, France.	4:45	
	8		Spars -----		3:20	
	11		6	Illiers-L'Eveque, France.	6:15	
	12		7	Lille-Mendeville, France.	5:30	
	17		8	Noyen, France.	6:15	
	18		9	Hamburg, Germany.	8:00	
	19		10	No Ball, France.	4:45	
	20		11	Hamburg, Germany.	8:30	
	20		13	Per 1st Bom. Div. Teletype U-997-----		
	21		14	Berlin, Germany.	9:00	
	22		15	Ghent, Belgium.	4:50	
	21		16	Bremen, Germany.	7:30	
	28		Abortion -----		5:10	
	17, 1944		17	Han, France.	6:00	
	21		18	St Lo Area, France.	5:15	
	25		19	St Lo Area, France.	5:30	
	28		20	Marseberg, Germany.	8:40	
	30		21	Munich, Germany.	9:00	
	3, 1944		22	Merkwiller, France.	8:00	
	4		23	Anklam, Germany.	10:00	
	8		24	Caen Area, France.	6:15	
	9		25	Ulm, Germany.	9:00	
	11		26	Charent, France.	7:40	
	14		Abortion -----		3:30	
	15		27	Frankfurt/Eschborn, Germany.	7:30	
	17		28	Bohlan, Germany.	8:30	
	21		29	Parow, Germany.	9:45	
	21		30	Golsenkirchen, Germany.	6:45	
	21		31	Kiel, Germany.	8:00	
	21		32	Ludwigshaven, Germany.	8:15	
	21		33	Ludwigshaven, Germany.	7:15	
	21		Recall -----		0:45	
	21		34	Jolkel, Holland.	5:45	262:15

----- CERTIFIED CORRECT: -----

Thomas F Witt
 THOMAS F. WITT,
 Major, AC,
 Operations Officer,
 306th Bomb Gp (H).

Name: FRANK A. KIRKHAM - FORMERLY WAGENFOHR.

Cadet class: 43K

Place of graduation: GEORGE FLD - ILLINOIS

Number of combat missions: 34

Wife's first name:

PAULINE

Other 306th men whom I know graduated with me: NONE

By air mail
Par avion



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