

July 12<sup>th</sup> - 1989

Hello Hugh Phelan,

Hugh, I saw your notice concerning the 306<sup>th</sup> Bomb Gp reunion in the DAV magazine which I subscribe to. I would really like to join you in the reunion but circumstances won't allow it.

Why I am writing to you is this: I was one of the 306 Gp that started in Wendover, Utah in March 1942 as a Radio Operator Gunner, having graduated from Radio School at Scott Field, Illinois and assigned immediately to the 306.

If I remember correctly, my pilot's name was McKey - possible or something similar to it.

I went through the complete transitional training right up to September 1942 at which time I was ordered to report to Cadet Preflight in San Antonio Texas (SAA C)

What I would really appreciate if you could respond as to the disposition of the 306<sup>th</sup> in England and how did the Gp fare. I heard the Gp was badly shot up on their many missions was it true? or anything you could tell me about the Gp? Does McKey ring a bell?

When I had heard about 306<sup>th</sup> fates I thought I was really lucky to be held back, but I finally ended up in a B-24 Gp out of Westover, Mass June 1944 and we ferried the new 24's across where we finally ended up in the 8<sup>th</sup> near Norwich in a 24 Gp. I had 18 missions in when I finally was shot down after a "milbrun" on Kassel Sept 27<sup>th</sup> - 1944 after being captured I spend 8 mos in Stalag IV III + I where Gduski + Zembe were held.

I would appreciate anything you may tell me  
(over)

about yourself and your experiences in the 306<sup>th</sup> or  
about the Trip in general. I also remember the 305<sup>th</sup>  
was outside of Salt Lake City and I had a few friends in  
that grp. I understand Sen. Fe may was the commanding  
officer of the 305<sup>th</sup>. Who was the commander of the 306<sup>th</sup> R.

Anyway good luck on your reunion in Sept!  
Anything you could write to me about would be so much  
appreciative

Thanks again  
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No answer~~

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Russ Strong,

I would like first, to thank you for all the help you gave me. I've received the pamphlets concerning our Sept 27<sup>th</sup> - 1944 mission of the 445<sup>th</sup> B.G., and it really helped in putting together the actual missing information that I was always curious about concerning the mission. I had heard a lot of rumors but never seen anything in writing, but you know most of the rumors were true!

Anyway Russ I would like to ask one more favor. This very close buddy of mine who I have known for 61 yrs school, social and we enlisted together Oct 17-1941 in the AAF. We went to Radio school at Scott Field, Illinois, by the way we enlisted in Los Angeles, Calif.; we are very close today, like brothers. Well after Radio School my buddy, Ross ended up a Pilot and I ended up as a R.O. What I would appreciate very much if you could or how we could obtain a complete record of his and also my service record. His in particular because he was a Capt and piloted B-26 out of the 9<sup>th</sup> AF attached to the 8AF out of England. He was overseas approximately July 1943 to April 1944. On one of his missions over Holland's airport his plane was shot up so bad but he managed to get back to English soil where he & crew bailed out at which time he ruined his leg and was sent home later.

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Buddy,

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There is no  
info on his discharge  
concerning his  
B26 in England

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Whatever you can do or suggest we  
would be very appreciated.

By the way I joined the 386<sup>th</sup> B G.

Thanks again and stay healthy!