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MISSING AIR CREW REPORT

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IMPORTANT: This report will be compiled in triplicate by each Army Air Forces organization within 48 hours of the time an aircraft is officially reported missing.

- ORGANIZATION: Location AAF Sta. 111; Command of Air Force 8th
Group 306th Bomb Gp (H); Squadron 367th Bomb Sq Detachment
- SPECIFY: Point of Departure Thurleigh, England; Course As prescribed
Intended Destination Bremen, Germany; Type of Mission H. Bomb.
- WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY AT TIME OF CRASH OR WHEN LAST REPORTED:
Hazy, 3/10 clouds.
- GIVE: (a) Date 8/10/43; Time 1516 and Location Over target
of last known whereabouts of missing aircraft.
(b) Specify whether (X) Last Sighted; () Last contacted by Radio;
() Forced Down; () Seen to Crash; or () Information not available.
- AIRCRAFT WAS LOST, OR IS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN LOST AS A RESULT OF: (Check only one) () Enemy Aircraft; (X) Enemy Int. Aircraft; () Other Circumstances as follows
- AIRCRAFT: Type, Model and Series B-17F; A.A.F. Serial Number 42-29959
- ENGINES: Type, Model and Series R-1820-97; A.A.F. Serial Number (a) 41-41818
(b) 43-60473; (c) 42-137229; (d) 42-78193
- INSTALLED WEAPONS (Furnish below Make, Type and Serial Number)
(a) HS-240930; (b) F-310063; (c) F-311383; (d) F-311617
(e) F-310071; (f) F-311086; (g) F-323219; (h) F-310829
- THE PERSONS LISTED BELOW WERE REPORTED AS: (a) Battle Casualty X
- NUMBER OF PERSONS ABOARD AIRCRAFT: Crew 10; Passengers 0; Total 10
(Starting with pilot, furnish the following particulars; if more than 10 persons were aboard aircraft, list similar particulars on separate sheet and attach original to this form).

Crew Position	Name in Full (Last Name First)	Rank	Serial Number
1. Pilot	Kooima, Lawrence W.	1st Lt.	0-666754
2. Co-Pilot	Crawford, Frank H.	1st Lt.	0-740753
3. Navigator	Berkey, Donald W.	1st Lt.	0-673457
4. Bombardier	Cressy, Charles A.	1st Lt.	0-734793
5. Top Turret Gunner	Struckhoff, Virgil A.	T/Sgt.	57137390
6. Radio Operator	Brooks, Cecil L.	T/Sgt.	18051115
7. Ball Turret Gunner	Couvillion, Stanley J.	S/Sgt.	38258382
8. Waist Gunner	Tinsley, Alvis W.	S/Sgt.	58248978
9. Waist Gunner	Hutchison, Frederick W.	S/Sgt.	35504050
10. Tail Gunner	Weston, Robert S.	S/Sgt.	20144528

11. IDENTIFY BELOW THOSE PERSONS WHO ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE LAST KNOWN OF AIRCRAFT. AND CHECK APPROPRIATE COLUMN TO INDICATE BASIS FOR SAME.

Check Only One Column

Name in Full (Last Name First)	Rank	Serial Number	Contacted By	Last Sighted	Saw Crash	Saw Forced Landing
1. ROBINSON, LAUK L.	Capt.	0728924		X		
2. DAVIS, ZIAS D.	1st Lt	0791079		X		
3. KATZ, WILLIAM (MI)	1st Lt	0794666		X		

12. IF PERSONNEL ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE SURVIVED, ANSWER YES TO ONE OF THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS: (a) Parachutes were used YES; (b) persons were seen walking away from scene of crash; or (c) Any other reason (Specify)

13. ATTACH AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH, MAP, CHART, OR SKETCH, SHOWING APPROXIMATE LOCATION WHERE AIRCRAFT WAS LAST SEEN.

14. ATTACH EYEWITNESS DESCRIPTION OF CRASH, FORCED LANDING, OR OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES PERTAINING TO MISSING AIRCRAFT.