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SRAD # 762

WAR DEPARTMENT
HEADQUARTERS ARMY AIR FORCES
WASHINGTON

MISSING AIR CREW REPORT

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.

1. ORGANIZATION: Location: Europe Command or Air Force 8th AAF
GROUP 306 Bomb; SQUADRON 36; DETACHMENT _____
2. SPECIFY: Point of Departure England; Course _____
Intended Destination _____; Type of Mission Bombing
3. WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY AT TIME OF CRASH OR WHEN LAST REPORTED: _____
4. GIVE: (a) Date 1 May 43 Time _____; And Location of Last known whereabouts of missing aircraft leaving formation under control near
(b) Specify whether (x) Last sighted; () last contacted by radio; Brest () Forced down; (Seen to Crash; or () Information not available. France
5. AIRCRAFT WAS LOST, OR IS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN LOST, AS A RESULT OF (Check only one: () Enemy Aircraft; () Enemy Anti-Aircraft; (x) Other Circumstances as follows _____
6. AIRCRAFT: Type, Model and Series B-17F; AAF Serial No. 42-29620
7. ENGINES: Type, Model and Series _____; AAF Serial No. (a) _____
(b) _____ (c) _____ (d) _____
8. INSTALLED WEAPONS (Furnish below Make, Type and Serial Number)
(a) _____ (b) _____ (c) _____ (d) _____
(e) _____ (f) _____ (g) _____ (h) _____
9. THE PERSONS LISTED BELOW WERE REPORTED AS: (a) Battle Casualty _____
or (b) Non-Battle Casualty _____
10. NUMBER OF PERSONS ABOARD AIRCRAFT: Crew 10; Passengers 0; Total 10
(Starting with pilot, furnish the following particulars: If more than 11 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	
DED	1. Pilot	Owen E. Luby	1st Lt	0789397	KIA
DED	2. Copilot POSITIONS	Evan D. Clayton	2nd Lt.	0664870	KIA
DED	3. Listed <u>THADDAEUS</u>	Thaddeus V. Powell	2nd Lt	0729898	KIA
DED	4.	John Alexander	1st Sgt	36395122	KIA
DED	5.	Reuben A. Van Sickle	T/Sgt	18109106	KIA
DED	6.	Thomas D. Oakman	S/Sgt	11040855	KIA
DED	7.	Robert L. Teegarden	S/Sgt	18160074	KIA
DED	8.	Elmer E. Wenzel Jr.	S/Sgt	33316525	KIA
DED	9.	Edward J. Zabawa	S/Sgt	35277184	KIA
DED	10.	Louis H. Wichmer	Sgt	37075765	KIA
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12. IDENTIFY BELOW THOSE PERSONS WHO ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE LAST KNOWLEDGE OF AIRCRAFT, AND CHECK APPROPRIATE COLUMN TO INDICATE BASIS FOR SAME:

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Name: ALEXANDER, JOHN,

36395122

1. Visi - Status A6N 2 May 44 ETO, Ca 2 May 44

2. Casualty File:

A. Unit: 306 Bomb Group

B. Date of Casualty:

C. Circumstances: plane was last seen leaving formation under control near Bret France 1 May 1943. No parachutes were sighted and no search was made.

D. List of Message & Shipment Nos:

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E. Cross reference to 704 (only if not in Mail & Message)

3. Message & Shipment Nos:

A. Crew List:

B-17 F	1st Lt. Brown E. Luby 0789397	S/Sgt Thomas D. Oakman 11040855
	2nd Lt. Evan D. Clayton 0664870	S/Sgt Robert L. Teegarden 18160074
# 425-29620	" Hodder V. Powell 0779898	S/Sgt Elmer E. Wenzel Jr. 33316525
	S/Sgt John Alexander 36395122	S/Sgt Edward J. Zabawa 35277184
	2/Sgt Reuben A. Van Dickle 18109106	Sgt Louis H. Wischner 37075765

B. Review:

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