



Personal info

Full name

BUDDEMEYER, Elton William

Date of birth

10 July 1920

Age

23

Place of birth

**Owensville, Gasconade County,
Missouri**

Hometown

Cuba, Crawford County, Missouri

Military service

Service number

37394101

Rank

Sergeant

Unit

**547th Bombardment Squadron,
384th Bombardment Group, Heavy**

Awards

Purple Heart

Death & Grave

Status

Killed in Action

Date of death

14 October 1943

Cemetery

American War Cemetery Ardennes

Plot	Row	Grave
C	31	13

Immediate family

Members

Walter C. Buddemeyer (father)
Gladys (Hunter) Buddemeyer (mother)
Walter A. Buddemeyer (brother)
Mildred H. Buddemeyer (sister)

Plane data

Serial number

42-3216

Data

Type: B-17F
Nickname: The Joker
Destination: Schweinfurt, Germany
Mission: Bombing of the ball bearings factory
MACR: 841

More information

Sgt Elton W Buddemeyer was employed at Johnson-Schintle-Sterns Shoe Co.

The airplane was attacked of enemy fighters. The nose was blown off and the plane blew up.

Seven crew members were killed. Three men evaded capture. They were helped by the local resistance to reach Switzerland, after which they were able to return to the UK.

Photos



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