



## Personal info

Full name

**CARRAGHER, Robert Zimmerman**

Date of birth

**28 October 1922**

Age

**21**

Place of birth

**New York**

Hometown

**Washington, District of Columbia**

## Military service

Service number

**O-690767**

Rank

**Second Lieutenant**

Unit

**331st Bombardment Squadron,  
94th Bombardment Group, Heavy**

Awards

**Purple Heart,  
Air Medal**

## Death & Grave

Status

**Killed in Action**

Date of death

**18 April 1944**

Cemetery

**American War Cemetery Ardennes**

Plot	Row	Grave
C	10	17

## Immediate family

Members

**Daniel H. Carragher (father)**

**Alice D. (Zimmerman) Carragher (mother)**

## Plane data

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Serial number

**42-31401**

Data

**Type: B-17G**

**Nickname: Old Hickory**

**Destination: Berlin, Germany**

**MACR: 4151**

## More information

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This aircraft was a member of the Lead Group of a Combat Wing. All A/C were on the bomb run flying at 25,000 feet. Weather was clear with no undercast as the bomb run was begun. At altitude, clouds were encountered as the bomb run progressed. Clouds became solid, so the Group began descent so as to get under them. Just as the Group emerged from the upper clouds and leveled off, flying at 23,000 feet, the Group was attacked by a close formation of about 40-70 S/E enemy A/C which were practically directly on top of our formation. Two (2) passes were made on this Group, both being head-on in close formation and well pressed. About 80 enemy A/C were in the formation making the second attack. This aircraft dropped out of formation and was last seen about 5 miles south of target flying at 18,000 feet and circling. An Unknown number of unidentified chutes were seen. No other information available.

## Photos

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