



Personal info

Full name

COLAIZZI, Raymond

Date of birth

1 February 1921

Age

23

Place of birth

**Pittsburgh, Allegheny County,
Pennsylvania**

Hometown

Martins Ferry, Belmont County, Ohio

Military service

Service number

O-752803

Rank

Second Lieutenant

Unit

**364th Bombardment Squadron,
305th Bombardment Group, Heavy**

Awards

**Purple Heart,
Air Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster**

Death & Grave

Status

Killed in Action

Date of death

5 December 1944

Cemetery

American War Cemetery Ardennes

Plot	Row	Grave
D	7	34

Immediate family

Members

Nick Colaizzi (father)

Angelline Colaizzi (mother)

Margaret J. Colaizzi (sister)

Anne A. Colaizzi (wife)

Plane data

Serial number

42-39947

Data

Type: B-17G

Nickname: Chiquita

Destinantion: Berlin, Germany

Mission: Bombing of munitions and tank plants

MACR: 11040

More information

Raymond Colaizzi attended college for one year.

He joined the Air Corps of the U.S. Army Reserve in Wheeling, West Virginia on 29 June 1942.

The airplane was hit by a direct flak burst, breaking the fuselage in two.

The wreckage crashed close to Prenden, Germany. All nine crewmembers were killed. They were initially buried at the local cemetery of the town.

Photos



Source of information: Peter Schouteten, Raf Dyckmans, Terry Hirsch, www.wwiimemorial.com, www.archives.gov, www.fold3.com, www.ancestry.com - Hartman Family Tree / 1930 census, WWII Draft Card

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