



Personal info

Full name

HAMPTON, Fred Ray

Date of birth

19 July 1921

Age

21

Place of birth

**Tellico Plains, Monroe County,
Tennessee**

Hometown

Morgan County, Tennessee

Military service

Service number

14071743

Rank

Technical Sergeant

Unit

**368th Bombardment Squadron,
306th Bombardment Group, Heavy**

Awards

Purple Heart

Death & Grave

Status

Killed in Action

Date of death

5 April 1943

Cemetery

American War Cemetery Ardennes

Plot	Row	Grave
D	38	11

Immediate family

Members

Horace S. Hampton (father)
Nancy J. (Pearson) Hampton (mother)
Amos Hampton (brother)
Clifford Hampton (brother)
Louise Hampton (sister)
Rex Hampton (brother)
Jack Hampton (brother)
William A. Hampton (brother)
James C. Hampton (brother)
Louis Hampton (brother)

Plane data

Serial number

41-24465

Data

Type: B-17F
Destination: Mortsels, Belgium
Mission: Bombing of the Erla engine and aircraft factory
MACR: 15534

More information

Fred Hampton worked in a planing mill.

He volunteered for the Air Corps of the Army of the United States at Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia on 17 December 1941.

The airplane was hit by flak, by German fighters or both. On the return flight, it was seen to turn toward enemy territory near Westkapelle on Walcheren Island, the Netherlands, with two engines smoking. It crashed in a field in Kalmthout, Belgium.

Seven crew members survived and were taken prisoner. Three men were killed. They were initially buried at the Soldiers Cemetery Schoonselhof in Hoboken, Belgium on 12 April 1943.

Photos



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