



Personal info

Full name

MC DONALD, John J

Date of birth

10 July 1910

Age

34

Place of birth

Cuthbert, Randolph County, Georgia

Hometown

Polk County, Florida

Military service

Service number

34538236

Rank

Staff Sergeant

Unit

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

Awards

**Purple Heart,
Air Medal**

Death & Grave

Status

Killed in Action

Date of death

7 October 1944

Cemetery

American War Cemetery Ardennes

Plot	Row	Grave
A	22	12

Immediate family

Members

Sara J. Mc Donald (Wife)

Plane data

Serial number

42-32020

Data

Type: B-17G

Nickname: Belle of the Brawl II

Destination: Bohlen, Germany

Mission: Operational

MACR: 9551

More information

At approximately 12 minutes before the briefed I.P. was reached, enemy aircraft made a sudden attack on the group of which this aircraft was a member. The Squadron in which this aircraft was flying bore the brunt of the attacks. About 50 to 60 S/U and T/E aircraft comprised the attacking force. They were mostly FW-190's although a few ME-109's and ME-210's were observed. The attacks lasted for about 10 minutes and there were friendly fighters present, but not in sufficient numbers to give adequate protection. This aircraft was last seen in formation just prior to the enemy attacks and due to the extreme battle conditions and other aircraft going down at the same time, no positive observations were made regarding the condition of this aircraft.

Photos



Source of information: Peter Schouteten, [WWIIMemorial](#), [Archives](#), [Fold3](#), [Ancestry](#) - Cooper Family Tree

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