



## Personal info

Full name

**MC QUADE, Philip James**

Date of birth

**5 June 1924**

Age

**20**

Place of birth

**East Providence, Providence County,  
Rhode Island**

Hometown

**Providence, Providence County, Rhode Island**

## Military service

Service number

**31292340**

Rank

**Sergeant**

Unit

**20th Bombardment Squadron,  
2nd Bombardment Group, Heavy**

Awards

**Purple Heart**

## Death & Grave

Status

**Finding of Death**

Date of death

**7 July 1944**

Cemetery

**American War Cemetery Ardennes**

Plot	Row	Grave
A	41	56

## Immediate family

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### Members

**Bernard L. Mc Quade (father)**

**Marguerite E. Mc Quade (mother)**

**Marguerite E. Mc Quade (sister)**

## Plane data

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### Serial number

**42-97351**

### Data

**Type: B-17G**

**Destination: Blechhammer, Germany**

**Mission: Bombing of the oil refinery**

**MACR: 6565**

## More information

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Sgt Philip J. Mc Quade graduated from East Providence High School in 1942.

He enlisted in Providence, Rhode Island on 5 April 1943.

Statement of 1st Lt James E. Wagner:

"I had just glanced back to see the position of the squadron on my right wing, when I saw a lone Me-109 diving on B-17 No. 351 from the 4 o'clock position, slightly high. The E/A closed in very near to the B-17 and then fired four or five bursts. I could see shots entering the tail section. Then the B-17 No. 351 pulled to the right, and straight up and fell off to the left and went into a flat spin. I lost sight before I saw any chutes, and the plane was still in a spin. This was at 1000 hours, at approximately 48-10N, 17-42 E, from an altitude of 21,000 feet."

Five crew members were killed in the crash, four were taken prisoner. The co-pilot, 1st Reese N. Burks died in a POW camp.

## Photos



Source of information: Raf Dyckmans, Peter Schouteten, Terry Hirsch, [www.wwiimemorial.com](http://www.wwiimemorial.com), [www.fold3.com](http://www.fold3.com) - MACR, [www.ancestry.com](http://www.ancestry.com) - 1940 Census, WWII Draft Card, 1930 US Census

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