



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

Members

Bernard L. Mc Quade (father)
Marguerite E. Mc Quade (mother)
Marguerite E. Mc Quade (sister)

Plane data

Serial number

42-97351

Data

Type: B-17G
Destination: Blechhammer, Germany
Mission: Bombing of the oil refinery
MACR: 6565

More information

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.wwiiimemorial.com, www.fold3.com - MACR, www.ancestry.com - 1940 Census, WWII Draft Card, 1930 US Census

Photo source: Peter Schouteten, East Providence High School 1942