

Fields of Honor Memorial

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Personal info

Full name

MILTON, Frank George

Date of birth

10 November 1912

Age

32

Place of birth

Waukegan, Lake County, Illinois

Hometown

Marion County, Indiana

Military service

Service number

35248072

Rank

Private

Unit

**39th Infantry Regiment,
9th Infantry Division**

Awards

unknown

Death & Grave

Status

Died non-Battle

Date of death

18 May 1945

Cemetery

American War Cemetery Ardennes

Plot	Row	Grave
D	6	36

Immediate family

Members

George A. Milton (brother)

More information

Pvt Frank Milton attended high school for 2 years and was a toolmaker. He enlisted at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indiana on 23 March 1944.

He was a POW in Stalag II/B in Hammerstein, Germany. Frank Milton was on board off a British plane carrying freed POW's. The plane crashed near Brussels Belgium.

The flight was British Hudson V9169 detailed to fly from Luneburg, Germany and transport British former POW's to Brussels, Belgium.

These were nonstop flights continuing night and day, and regarded as an emergency to remove all the POW's out of Germany as soon as possible.

On this particular flight, there was not enough of the British POW's available for flight, so American POW's were boarded.

There were eight passengers on board and five crew members.

Upon landing, the airplane bounced badly and the pilot attempted re-take off, engines gunned, he climbed steeply, fell back in a tail slide, stalled, nosedived to the ground, and burst into flames upon impact. There were no survivors.

Photos



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