



Personal info

Full name

WILLIS, Gordon J

Date of birth

1924

Age

unknown

Place of birth

Colorado

Hometown

San Francisco, California

Military service

Service number

19138634

Rank

Staff Sergeant

Unit

**364th Bombardment Squadron,
305th Bombardment Group, Heavy**

Awards

Purple Heart

Death & Grave

Status

Killed in Action

Date of death

22 May 1944

Cemetery

American War Cemetery Ardennes

Plot	Row	Grave
B	42	52

Immediate family

Members

Grace Willis (mother)

Plane data

Serial number

42-37979

Data

Type: B-17G

Nickname: Bayou Gall

Destination: Kiel, Germany

Mission: Bombing of the navy yard

MACR: 4951

More information

S/Sgt Gordon J. Willis enlisted on 28 September 1942 in San Francisco, California.

The aircraft was hit by flak and was reported to have blown up, after it had left the formation with one wing a solid mass of flames. No parachutes were seen. All 10 crewmembers were killed.

Photos



Source of information: Raf Dyckmans, www.wwiimemorial.com, www.archives.gov - WWII Enlistment Record, www.fold3.com - MACR, www.8thafhs.com

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