

Fields of Honor Memorial

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Personal info

Full name

DURRANCE, Edward Earl

Date of birth

18 september 1919

Age

24

Place of birth

Polk County, Florida

Hometown

Bartow, Polk County, Florida

Military service

Service number

O-748603

Rank

Second Lieutenant

Unit

**579th Bombardment Squadron,
392nd Bombardment Group, Heavy**

Awards

**Purple Heart,
Air Medal**

Death & Grave

Status

Killed in Action

Date of death

4 January 1944

Cemetery

American War Cemetery Ardennes

Plot	Row	Grave
A	11	14

Immediate family

Members

Lawrence B. Durrance (father)

Bertie L. Durrance (mother)

James Durrance (brother)

Sylvia L. Durrance (sister)

Joyce V. (Tomasello) Durrance (wife)

Plane data

Serial number

42-52083

Data

Type: B-24

Nickname: Out House Mouse

Destination: Kiel, Germany

Mission: Bombing of the port

MACR: 1911

More information

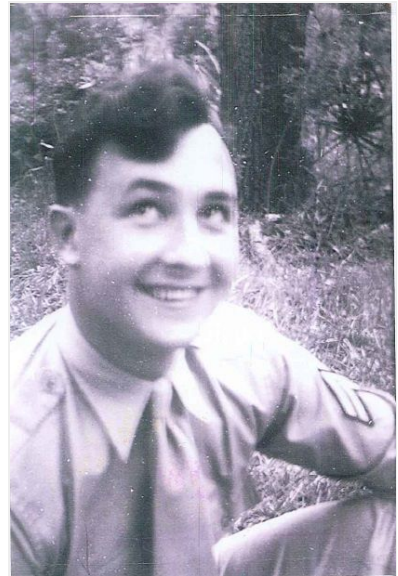
Edward Durrance was a bookkeeper.

He joined the Air Corps of the Regular Army at MacDill Field, Florida on 25 June 1941.

The bomber crashed in an attempt to make an emergency landing after it was damaged by a German FW-190. When the bomber hit the ground, it turned over and was set on fire.

The entire crew of ten men was killed and initially buried near the edge of the pasture.

Photos



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