



### 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

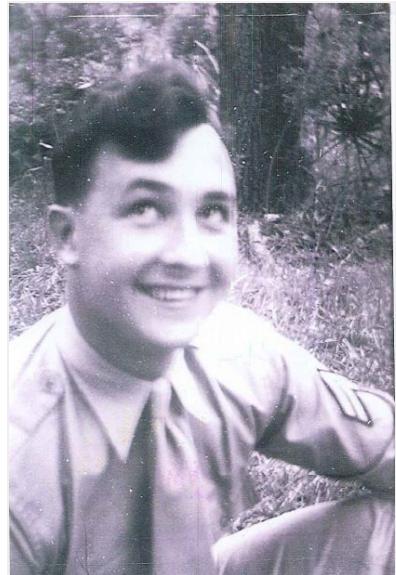
Edward Durrance was a bookkeeper.

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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