



Personal info

Full name

LEE, Robert Edward

Date of birth

1918

Age

unknown

Place of birth

Milwaukee, Milwaukee County, Wisconsin

Hometown

Milwaukee, Milwaukee County, Wisconsin

Military service

Service number

16060729

Rank

Technical Sergeant

Unit

**409th Bombardment Squadron,
93rd Bombardment Group, Heavy**

Awards

Air Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster

Death & Grave

Status

Killed in Action

Date of death

4 November 1944

Cemetery

American War Cemetery Ardennes

Plot	Row	Grave
A	38	3

Immediate family

Members

Gerald M. Lee (father)

Marion Lee (mother)

Plane data

Serial number

42-109815

Data

Type: B-24J

Destination: Misburg, Germany

Mission: Bombing (Operational)

MACR: 10359

More information

T/Sgt Robert E. Lee graduated from Cathedral High School and from Marquette University School of Journalism in 1941.

There was no eyewitness available who saw the aircraft leave the formation. No one will specifically claim seeing the aircraft over the target, but those crews in the same squadron believe he was in formation at bombs away position - at least they didn't notice any vacancy. During release and after rally, nothing was seen of the aircraft, nor was there any radio communication with it.

The Liberator crashed near Voslapp, in the flat parts of the ocean, 7 km N. of Wilhelmshaven on 4 November 1944 at about 1146 hours.

Robert Lee was initially buried at the Garrison Cemetery Wittmund/Ostfriesland on 7 November 1944.

4 Crew members were found dead, 1 was taken prisoner and the rest presumably drowned.

Photos



Source of information: Terry Hirsch, www.wwiimemorial.com, www.fold3.com, 1920 US Census, Milwaukee Sentinel - 23 January 1945

Photo source: www.findagrave.com, Peter Schouteten