

## Fields of Honor Memorial

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### Personal info

Full name

**MELLON, James Benedict Jr**

Date of birth

**4 October 1915**

Age

**28**

Place of birth

**Connecticut**

Hometown

**Naugatuck, New Haven County, Connecticut**

### Military service

Service number

**31281346**

Rank

**Staff Sergeant**

Unit

**360th Bombardment Squadron,  
303rd Bombardment Group, Heavy**

Awards

**Purple Heart,  
Air Medal**

### Death & Grave

Status

**Killed in Action**

Date of death

**28 September 1944**

Cemetery

**American War Cemetery Margraten**

Plot	Row	Grave
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## Immediate family

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### Members

**James B. Mellon (father)**

**Julia Mellon (mother)**

**Robert Mellon (brother)**

**Teresa (Wesig) Mellon (wife)**

**Richard J. Mellon (son)**

## Plane data

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### Serial number

**43-38572**

### Data

**Type: B-17G**

**Destination: Magdeburg, Germany**

**Mission: Bombing of the city**

**MACR: 9404**

## More information

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Sgt James B. Mellon attended college and was an accountant at the Swift Company in Waterbury, Connecticut.

He enlisted in Hartford, connecticut on 21 January 1943.

The formation was victim to severe attacks from enemy fights. The aircraft's right wing was on fire but it apparently was still under control. The entire crew of nine was killed. They were initially buried at the cemetery of Schladen.

## Photos



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