



### Personal info

Full name

**SCHOELERMAN, Harold August**

Date of birth

**3 April 1919**

Age

**25**

Place of birth

**Clay County, Iowa**

Hometown

**O'Brien County, Iowa**

### Military service

Service number

**O-832251**

Rank

**Second Lieutenant**

Unit

**567th Bombardment Squadron,  
393rd Bombardment Group, Heavy**

Awards

**Air Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster**

### Death & Grave

Status

**Killed in Action**

Date of death

**2 March 1945**

Cemetery

**American War Cemetery Ardennes**

Plot	Row	Grave
A	20	16

## Immediate family

### Members

**Frederick E. Schoelman (father)**  
**Amanda D. (Koep) Scholerman (mother)**  
**Doris E. Schoelman (wife)**

## Plane data

### Serial number

**42-51302**

### Data

**Type: B-24H**  
**Destination: Magdeburg, Germany**  
**MACR: 12854**

## More information

Sgt Spades, the Radio Operator, rendered this Casualty Questionnaire report after repatriation from POW status: that Blakeley, Schoelman, Amodeo (Pilot, Co-Pilot and Engineer respectively) were in the flight deck just before he left the ship, and they were not injured; and Navigator Walker and Nose Gunner Talley were in the nose compartment at that time, condition unknown. He indicated that according to the Germans later these men were found dead in their relative positions in the crashed plane. This crew member also reported in his account that Law, Halpern, Flesey, and Rubenstein bailed out of the waist hatch, while he exited through the bomb bay. He also noted that the Engineer, Pfc Amodeo, was last seen close to going into the bomb bay area and appeared ready to bail out. There were no other available facts by any others concerning the ship's or specific crew member's final situations involved with this unfortunate happening. The MACR remarks on this emergency stated: "Hit by tracers from runaway tail guns of A/C 42-29476 which was flying lead of the High Right Element in the Squadron".

## Photos



Source of information: Peter Schouteten, [www.ancestry.com](http://www.ancestry.com) - 1930 Census / Iowa Births and Christenings Index

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