



Personal info

Full name

SENK, John J

Date of birth

21 October 1915

Age

27

Place of birth

Carteret, Middlesex County, New Jersey

Hometown

Carteret, Middlesex County, New Jersey

Military service

Service number

32460576

Rank

Staff Sergeant

Unit

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

Awards

**Purple Heart,
Air Medal**

Death & Grave

Status

Finding of Death

Date of death

4 October 1943

Cemetery

American War Cemetery Margraten**Walls of the Missing**

Immediate family

Members

Andrew Senk (father)

Valentina Senk (mother)

Frank Senk (brother)

Jacob H. Senk (brother)

Andrew P. Senk (brother)

Jennie Senk (sister)

Josephine Senk (sister)

Helen (Mrozowski) Senk (wife)

Plane data

Serial number

42-7474

Data

Type: B-24H

Nickname: Satan's Flame

Destination: North Sea

Mission: Diversion

MACR: 891

More information

John Senk worked in a metal factory.

He enlisted in Newark, New Jersey on 17 August 1942.

The mission's objective was to deconcentrate German defenses, primarily fighter units, and draw them away from the main bomber routes across the continent.

This aircraft was last seen when it lost altitude with one or more engines on fire as a result of fighter attacks. Three or four parachutes were noted at that time.

The entire crew of ten men was killed.

Photos



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