

Personal info

Full name

SAMBANIS, George

Date of birth

4 May 1918

Age

25

Place of birth

**Central Falls, Providence County,
Rhode Island**

Hometown

Providence, Providence County, Rhode Island

Military service

Service number

31181659

Rank

Sergeant

Unit

**576th Bombardment Squadron,
392nd Bombardment Group, Heavy**

Awards

Purple Heart

Death & Grave

Status

Killed in Action

Date of death

20 December 1943

Cemetery

American War Cemetery Margraten

Plot	Row	Grave
O	20	1

Immediate family

Members

Steven Sambanis (father)
Mary (Senecal) Sambanis (mother)
Ethel M. Sambanis (sister)
Bella Sambanis (sister)

Plane data

Serial number

42-7500

Data

Type: B-24H
Nickname: Sky Queen
Destination: Bremen, Germany
MACR: 1734

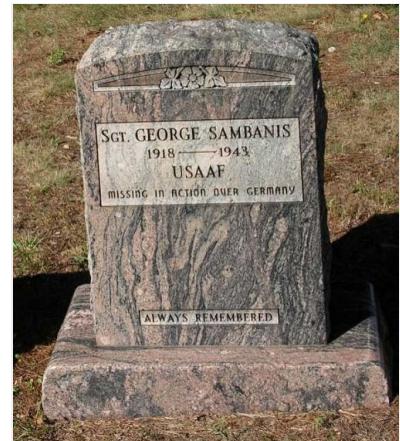
More information

In the report Lt Lopresto noted that the entire formation had come under intense enemy fighter attack at the initial point for the bomb run which lasted all through the target and afterwards. His ship took numerous flak hits over the target, and again fighter gun fire after the target. Aircraft damage was so grave then that he ordered abandon ship at an altitude of about 21,000 feet.

Sambanis were reported by the Germans as found dead, but were listed as "unknown" in identity. He were interred on 20 December near Lebenstedt at Army Station Cemetery Wessermunde-Geestermunde Germany in Section III, Field K, Row 1, Grave I.

Sgt George Sambanis is remembered at North Burial Ground, Providence, Providence County, Rhode Island

Photos



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