

## 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

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### Members

**Steven Sambanis (father)**

**Mary (Senecal) Sambanis (mother)**

**Ethel M. Sambanis (sister)**

**Bella Sambanis (sister)**

## Plane data

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### Serial number

**42-7500**

### Data

**Type: B-24H**

**Nickname: Sky Queen**

**Destination: Bremen, Germany**

**MACR: 1734**

## More information

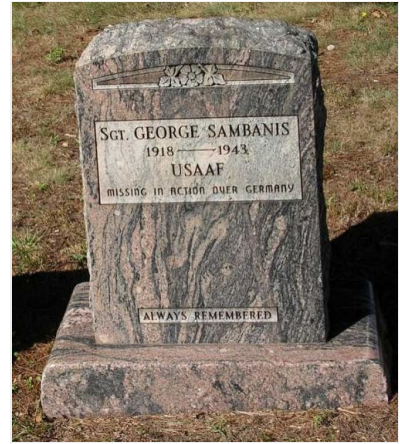
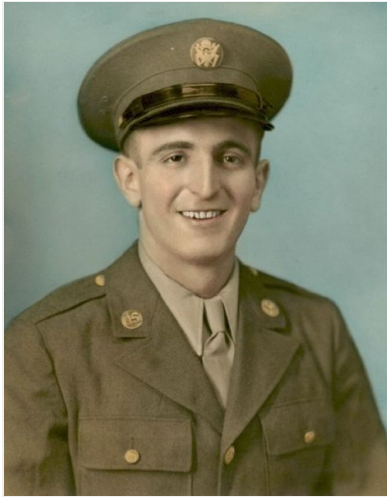
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In the report Lt Lopresto noted that the entire formation had come under intense enemy fighter attack at the initial point for the bomb run which lasted all through the target and afterwards. His ship took numerous flak hits over the target, and again 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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