



Personal info

Full name

HOFFMAN, David Henry

Date of birth

20 November 1921

Age

22

Place of birth

Chatham, Columbia County, New York

Hometown

Chatham, Columbia County, New York

Military service

Service number

12079615

Rank

Sergeant

Unit

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

Awards

Purple Heart

Death & Grave

Status

Killed in Action

Date of death

29 November 1943

Cemetery

American War Cemetery Ardennes

Plot	Row	Grave
C	9	4

Immediate family

Members

Hiram Hoffman (father)

Mary A. Hoffman (mother)

Helen Hoffman (sister)

George Hoffman (brother)

Mary Hoffman (sister)

Hiram Hoffman (brother)

Plane data

Serial number

42-5483

Data

Type: B-17G

Nickname: Red Ass

Destination: Bremen, Germany

Mission: Bombing of the port

MACR: 1656

More information

Sgt David H. Hoffman graduated from Chatham High School in 1940. He was employed as a meatcutter.

He volunteered for the Army of the United States in Brooklyn, New York on 11 May 1942.

The aircraft had engine and supercharger problems over the target. A ME-210 fighter fired 20 mm shells into the cockpit and nose area, wounding the navigator and killing the bombardier.

Seven crew members bailed out and were taken prisoner. Three men were killed.

Photos



Source of information: Raf Dyckmans, Terry Hirsch, 303rdBomberGroup.com, www.fold3.com - MACR, 1930 US Census

Photo source: Michel Beckers, Gary Moncur, www.303rdBG.com, Chatham Courier - 16 December 1943