

## Fields of Honor Memorial

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### Personal info

Full name

**BERGSTROM, Donald E**

Date of birth

**28 September 1923**

Age

**21**

Place of birth

**Kelliher, Beltrami County, Minnesota**

Hometown

**Beltrami County, Minnesota**

### Military service

Service number

**37562361**

Rank

**Staff Sergeant**

Unit

**614th Bombardment Squadron,  
401st Bombardment Group, Heavy**

Awards

**Purple Heart,  
Air Medal with 2 Oak Leaf Clusters**

### Death & Grave

Status

**Missing in Action**

Date of death

**7 October 1944**

Cemetery

**American War Cemetery Margraten**

**Walls of the Missing**

## Immediate family

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### Members

**Axel N. Bergstrom** (father)  
**Claudia T. (Lundquist) Bergstrom** (mother)  
**Luman D. Bergstrom** (brother)  
**Eleanor M. Bergstrom** (sister)  
**Mildred A. Bergstrom** (sister)  
**Dwight L. Bergstrom** (brother)  
**Amy L. Bergstrom** (sister)  
**Zella J. Bergstrom** (sister)  
**Jeannette N. Bergstrom** (sister)  
**Archie D. Bergstrom** (brother)  
**Philip G. Bergstrom** (brother)

## Plane data

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### Serial number

**44-6145**

### Data

**Type: B-17G**  
**Nickname: Cover Girl**  
**Destination: Politz, Germany**  
**MACR: 9756**

## More information

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#44-6145 piloted by Lt HP Silverstein blew up in mid-air after being hit by flak. Two crew members were thrown clear and parachuted safely but the others were killed in action.

## Photos



Source of information: Terry Hirsch, [www.ancestry.com](http://www.ancestry.com) - 1940 Census, [www.findagrave.com](http://www.findagrave.com) - Andy Swinnen

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