

Fields of Honor Memorial

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Personal info

Full name

STRICKLAND, Jennis Morell Jr "Jack"

Date of birth

14 July 1922

Age

22

Place of birth

**Rocky Mount, Nash County, North
Carolina**

Hometown

Silver Spring, Montgomery County, Maryland

Military service

Service number

O-797634

Rank

First Lieutenant

Unit

**700th Bombardment Squadron,
445th Bombardment Group, Heavy**

Awards

Air Medal with 2 Oak Leaf Clusters

Death & Grave

Status

Killed in Action

Date of death

24 March 1945

Cemetery

American War Cemetery Margraten

Plot	Row	Grave
D	17	13

Immediate family

Members

Jennis M. Strickland Sr. (father)

Blanche L. (Hedrick) Byron (mother)

Justine I. (Whalen) Strickland (sister)

Harold Strickland (brother)

Kitty F. (Murray) Strickland (wife)

Jennis M. Strickland III (son)

Plane data

Serial number

42-51245

Data

Type: B-24J

Destination: Wesel, Germany

Mission: Supply drop

MACR: 13516

Biography

"Red Roses and Silver Wings", A WWII Memoir by Kitty Strickland Shore

More information

1st Lt Jennis M. Strickland Jr. attended high school for four years and was a clerk.

He volunteered for the Air Corps of the Army of the United States in Baltimore, Maryland on 17 March 1942.

The mission of the day was dropping supplies for the ground troops, participating in Operation Varsity.

The airplane was hit by small arms fire when it was flying at 300 ft and caught fire. It crashed in flames and exploded. All ten crew members were killed.

According to the above mentioned book, Lt Strickland's brother Harold, an infantryman, witnessed the crash but did not know his brother was on board.

Photos



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