



### Personal info

Full name

**REED, Houison Griffith**

Date of birth

**15 June 1920**

Age

**23**

Place of birth

**Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana**

Hometown

**Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana**

### Military service

Service number

**T-001481**

Rank

**Flight Officer**

Unit

**364th Bombardment Squadron,  
305th Bombardment Group, Heavy**

Awards

**Purple Heart**

### Death & Grave

Status

**Finding of Death**

Date of death

**22 May 1944**

Cemetery

**American War Cemetery Ardennes**

Plot	Row	Grave
B	9	14

### Immediate family

Members

**Coleman D. Reed (father)****Effie N. (Griffith) Reed (mother)**

## Plane data

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Serial number

**42-37979**

Data

**Type: B-17G**

**Nickname: Bayou Gall**

**Destination: Kiel, Germany**

**Mission: Navy Yard**

**MACR: 4951**

## More information

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F/O Houison G. Reed attended Louisiana State University for three years.

He volunteered for the U.S. Army in Houston, Texas on 30 December 1941. He was sent overseas in April, 1944.

The aircraft was hit by flak and was reported to have blown up, after it had left the formation with one wing a solid mass of flames. No parachutes were seen. All 10 crew members were killed.

F/O Reed is remembered at the Oakdale Cemetery in Oakdale, Allen Parish, Louisiana.

## Photos



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