



Personal info

Full name

ROSENBERGER, Jearold Francis

Date of birth

9 October 1923

Age

20

Place of birth

Kankakee, Kankakee County, Illinois

Hometown

Kankakee, Kankakee County, Illinois

Military service

Service number

36740528

Rank

Staff Sergeant

Unit

**838th Bombardment Squadron,
487th Bombardment Group, Heavy**

Awards

**Purple Heart,
Air Medal**

Death & Grave

Status

Killed in Action

Date of death

20 June 1944

Cemetery

American War Cemetery Ardennes

| Plot | Row | Grave |
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Immediate family

Members

Jearold J. Rosenberger (father)
Stella M. Rosenberger (mother)
Gordon L. Rosenberger (brother)

Plane data

Serial number

42-95217

Data

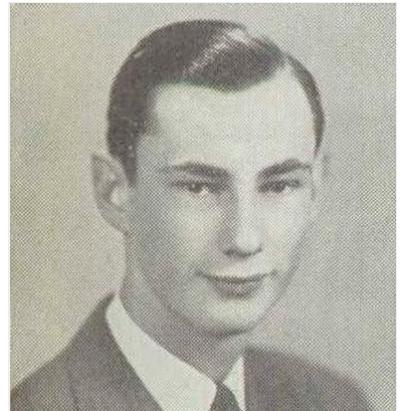
Type: B-24H
Destination: Misburg, Germany
Mission: Bombing of the Deurag oil refinery
MACR: 5935

More information

After dropping his bombs at 0905 over the target, immediately this airplane received a direct flak hit. The tail was torn off and the airplane spun to the ground in flames. Reports vary as to the number of parachutes seen. The highest number reported is three. Some observers, however, stated that they saw two, others say there were none. One reported a parachute in flames, another that one was seen completely free of the plane.

Eight crew members were killed and were initially buried at the military cemetery of Hannover-Limmer. One crew member was taken prisoner.

Photos



Source of information: Raf Dyckmans, Terry Hirsch, www.wwiimemorial.com, www.ancestry.com - Headstone and Interment Record / Jewish Servicemen Card / 1940 Census, www.fold3.com - MACR, WWII Draft Card

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