

## Fields of Honor Memorial

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### Personal info

Full name

**DUNN, John Bernard Jr**

Date of birth

**8 July 1919**

Age

**24**

Place of birth

**Metuchen, Middlesex County, New Jersey**

Hometown

**Middlesex County, New Jersey**

### Military service

Service number

**O-690067**

Rank

**First Lieutenant**

Unit

**612th Bombardment Squadron,  
401st Bombardment Group, Heavy**

Awards

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

### Death & Grave

Status

**Killed in Action**

Date of death

**19 May 1944**

Cemetery

**American War Cemetery Ardennes**

Plot	Row	Grave
B	35	44

## Immediate family

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### Members

**John B. Dunn (father)**

**Mary L. Dunn (mother)**

**Margaret Dunn (sister)**

## Plane data

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### Serial number

**42-38026**

### Data

**Nickname: My Day**

**Type: B-17G**

**Destination: Berlin, Germany**

**MACR: 4815**

## More information

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The 401st furnished the lead and high box of the 94th Combat Wing. The original target was Berlin, but either heavy cloud cover or failure to rendezvous with fighter escort (the accounts differ) resulted in bombing the secondary target, the port area of Kiel. Bombing was done by PFF (radar), but through breaks in the clouds bomb bursts were observed in the industrial section along the Kiel Canal. No enemy aircraft were sighted. Flak, while meager, was unusually accurate. The plane was hit and exploded in midair, killing 9 crew members. One crew member was taken prisoner.

The remains of the killed crew members were buried at the Garrison Military Cemetery of Kiel on 25 May 1944.

## Photos



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