

Fields of Honor Memorial

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Personal info

Full name

SELF, Billy Howard

Date of birth

9 May 1917

Age

26

Place of birth

Daisy, Atoka County, Oklahoma

Hometown

Atoka County, Oklahoma

Military service

Service number

18084642

Rank

Sergeant

Unit

**409th Bombardment Squadron,
93rd Bombardment Group, Heavy**

Awards

Purple Heart

Death & Grave

Status

Finding of Death

Date of death

13 November 1943

Cemetery

American War Cemetery Ardennes

Plot	Row	Grave
D	14	50

Immediate family

Members

Claude E. Self (father)
Ivy C. (Farley) Self (mother)
Mattie Self (sister)
Ruth S. Self (sister)
James C. Self (brother)
George E. Self (brother)
Oral A. Self (sister)
Mary L. Self (sister)
William N. Self (brother)
Adabell (Estepp) Self (wife)

Plane data

Serial number

41-24298

Data

Type: B-24D
Nickname: Queenie
Destination: Bremen, Germany
Mission: Port Area
MACR: 2189

More information

Sgt Billy H. Self volunteered for the US Army in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, on 11 January 1942.

Capt Henri Z. Lake: "It was November 13, 1943, and the attacked aircraft was out of formation with the other planes flying. The pilot, Capt Ralph P Gewehr, realized his error and thought he should turn back to rejoin the group of planes. At that time the B-24 was attacked by enemy aircraft. The #2 engine was on fire and the plane went into a cloud in a flat spin. All crew members died when the plane, named "Queenie" went down into the North Sea.

Six crew member bodies floated ashore on the west coast of the Isle of Amrum near Norddorf, Germany, in the North Sea."

He was first buried at Block O, Row 10, Grave 236.

Photos



Source of information: Peter Schouteten, Terry Hirsch, www.abmc.gov, www.findagrave.com - John Dowdy, www.wwiimemorial.com, www.archives.gov - WWII Enlistment Record, www.ancestry.com - U.S., Headstone and Interment Records for U.S. Military Cemeteries on Foreign Soil / Farley Family Tree, www.fold3.com, WWII Draft Card

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