



Personal info

Full name

BACK, Walter P

Date of birth

31 October 1916

Age

27

Place of birth

Menifee County, Kentucky

Hometown

Middletown, Butler County, Ohio

Military service

Service number

15196261

Rank

Technical Sergeant

Unit

**368th Bombardment Squadron,
306th Bombardment Group, Heavy**

Awards

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

Death & Grave

Status

Missing in Action

Date of death

3 November 1943

Cemetery

American War Cemetery Margraten**Walls of the Missing**

Immediate family

Members

Oliver P. Back (father)

Alpha (Helton) Back (mother)

Ada P. Back (sister)

Nellie B. Back (sister)

Idal L. Back (sister)

Henry Back (brother)

Plane data

Serial number

42-30776

Data

Type: B-17F

Nickname: Lady Marylin

Destination: Wilhelmshaven, Germany

Mission: Bombing of the U-boat yards

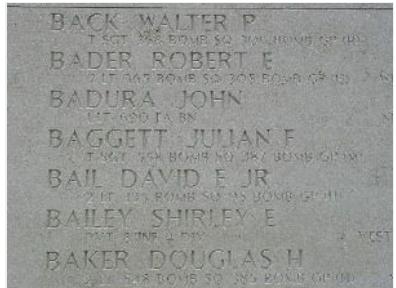
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More information

T/Sgt Walter P. Back attended Middletown High school for 4 years and was a craneman. He volunteered for the Air Corps of the Army of the United States at Patterson Field, Fairfield, Ohio on 27 April 1942.

The airplane collided in mid-air with B-17 #42-3533. All crew members of both planes, twenty men in total, were killed.

Photos



Source of information: Raf Dyckmans, Peter Schouteten, www.306thbg.org, www.wwiiemorial.com, www.archives.gov, www.ancestry.com - Family Trees

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