



Personal info

Full name

SINGLEY, John Hazlehurst

Date of birth

30 November 1921

Age

22

Place of birth

**Columbia, Richland County, South
Carolina**

Hometown

Columbia, Richland County, South Carolina

Military service

Service number

0-707445

Rank

Second Lieutenant

Unit

**853rd Bombardment Squadron,
491st Bombardment Group, Heavy**

Awards

**Purple Heart,
Air Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster**

Death & Grave

Status

Finding of Death

Date of death

26 November 1944

Cemetery

American War Cemetery Ardennes

| Plot | Row | Grave |
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Immediate family

Members

Roy G. Singley (father)

Pett (Lovett) Singley (mother)

Sophy E. (Price) Singley (wife)

Elizabeth Singley (daughter)

Plane data

Serial number

44-40212

Data

Type: B-24J

Nickname: The Easy Way

Destination: Misburg, Germany

Mission: Bombing of the Deurag synthetic fuel plant

MACR: 11158

More information

John H. Singley attended Columbia High School and the University of South Carolina before he joined the Air Corps of the U.S. Army Reserve on 21 November 1941.

The target of that day for 57 B-24's was the synthetic oil refinery in Misburg but 26 bombed the marshalling yard of Hannover as target of opportunity.

The B-24's were attacked by enemy fighter planes and without any doubt were the target the target of anti-aircraft fire. Due to the number of shot down airplanes in the immediate vicinity of both targets, the exact location of the crash of this airplane is uncertain.

However, the records mention the names of crew members of this and other aircraft how were initially buried at the cemetery of Hannover-Seelhorst. It therefore can be assumed that this aircraft crashed close to his target.

Two crew members were taken prisoners, seven men were killed.

Photos



Source of information: Raf Dyckmans, Elizabeth Singley (daughter), [WWII Memorial](#), [NARA](#), Missing Aircrew Report 11158

Photo source: FOHF - Elizabeth Singley (daughter), Class book for advanced bombardier class 44-1 at the Big Spring Flying School, Texas