



Personal info

Full name

LAUX, Robert Amherst

Date of birth

6 May 1920

Age

24

Place of birth

Lorain, Lorain County, Ohio

Hometown

Lorain County, Ohio

Military service

Service number

O-694467

Rank

Second Lieutenant

Unit

**20th Bombardment Squadron,
2nd Bombardment Group, Heavy**

Awards

**Purple Heart,
Air Medal**

Death & Grave

Status

Killed in Action

Date of death

29 August 1944

Cemetery

American War Cemetery Lorraine

Plot	Row	Grave
E	41	22

Immediate family

Members

Elizabeth Laux (mother)

Aileen V. Laux (wife)

Plane data

Serial number

42-31885

Data

Type: B-17G

Nickname: Lovely Ladies

Destination: Moravska Ostrava, Czechoslovakia

Mission: Bombing of the oil refinery

MACR: 8099

More information

2nd Lt Robert A. Laux attended high school for 4 years before he joined the Air Corps of the U.S. Army Reserve in Cleveland, Ohio on 5 February 1943.

Capt George B. Sweeney:

"This group was heavily attacked by E/A from 1041 to 1100 hours. From 50/70 enemy aircraft took part, coming in aggressively to as close as twenty yards from three to nine o'clock, concentrating on the rear squadron. Two aircraft of the fourth squadron were observed to go down in flames, observation of what happened to other aircraft was not possible as group continued, minus last squadron, to target. The largest number of chutes observed in the area of enemy attacks was three."

2nd Lt Charles H. McVey

"He was apparently wounded, he made no move to jump."

Photos



Source of information: Peter Schouteten, www.abmc.gov, www.wwiimemorial.com - Chester Kubuske, www.archives.gov - WWII Enlistment Record, www.ancestry.com - Headstone and Interment Record / Ohio Birth Index, www.fold3.com, www.findagrave.com - DFR, www.newspapers.com - The Chronicle Telegram Ohio 13 September 1944

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