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Personal info

Full name

GRAY, Thomas M

Date of birth Age

26 May 1918 25 Vallejo, Solano County, California

Hometown

West Los Angeles, Los Angeles County, California

Military service

Service number

O-742578

Rank

Second Lieutenant

Unit

702nd Bombardment Squadron, 445th Bombardment Group, Heavy

Awards

Air Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster

Death & Grave

Status

Killed in Action

Date of death

24 February 1944

Cemetery

American War Cemetery Margraten

Place of birth

Plot	Row	Grave
F	1	16

Immediate family

Members

Alex Gray (father)

Dorothy (Newirkirk) Gray (mother)

Madge Gray (sister)

Marjorie Gray (sister)

Joan Gray (sister)

Marion (Chavon) Gray (wife)

Plane data

Serial number

42-7517

Data

Type: B-24H

Nickname: Too Tired

Destination: Gotha, Germany

Mission: Bombing of the aircraft industry

MACR: 2551

More information

Thomas Gray was married to Marion Chavon on 29 June 1943 in Boise, Idaho where he was stationed for pilot training. The bottom picture is their wedding photo, where she poses on the right side. The lady on the left is her sister Irene.

The airplane was shot down by enemy fighters. The entire crew of nine was killed. They were initially buried at the local cemetery of Driedorf.

Photos









 $\textbf{Source of information:} \ Raf \ Dyckmans, Terry \ Hirsch, Peter \ Schouteten, \underline{www.wwiimemorial.com}, \underline{www.archives.gov}. \ 1920/1940 \ Census$

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