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Personal info

Full name

TANSEY, Raymond E

Date of birth Age Place of birth

19 April 1918 26 Springfield, Union County, New Jersey

Hometown

Union County, New Jersey

Military service

Service number

32453046

Rank

Staff Sergeant

Unit

701st Bombardment Squadron, 445th Bombardment Group, Heavy

Awards

Purple Heart,

Air Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster

Death & Grave

Status

Missing in Action

Date of death

20 March 1945

Cemetery

American War Cemetery Margraten

Walls of the Missing

Immediate family

Members

James E. Tansey (father)

Margaret (Collins) Tansey (mother)

Alice M. Tansey (sister)

Edmund J. Tansey (brother)

Plane data

Serial number

44-48851

Data

Type: B-24-JSH

Destination: Hemmingstadt, Germany Mission: Bombing of the Heide oil refinery

MACR: 13563

More information

S/Sgt Raymond E. Tansey enlisted in Newark, New Jersey on 28 July 1942. He attended high school for 1 year and was a stone mason before he enlisted.

He was a graduating member of the 43-13 class at Buckingham Field where he was recognized as one of the top 20 gunnery students.

The aircraft received a direct hit by flak while on his bomb run. The right wing came off and a large hole was observed in the left wing. The ship then blew up as it crashed into the water.

The entire crew is listed on the Walls of the Missing at Margraten.

Photos



 $\textbf{Source of information:} \ Peter Schouteten, Raf Dyckmans, Astrid van Erp, Terry Hirsch, \underline{www.wwiimemorial.com}, \underline{www.archives.gov}, \underline{www.8thafhs.com}, \underline{www.ancestry.com} - \text{New Jersey Birth Index}$

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