

## Fields of Honor Memorial

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### Personal info

Full name

**WATTS, Woodard Charles**

Date of birth

**4 February 1921**

Age

**23**

Place of birth

**Lawrence, Tennessee**

Hometown

**Nashville, Davidson County, Tennessee**

### Military service

Service number

**34366107**

Rank

**Staff Sergeant**

Unit

**702nd Bombardment Squadron,  
445th Bombardment Group, Heavy**

Awards

**Air Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster**

### Death & Grave

Status

**Killed in Action**

Date of death

**27 September 1944**

Cemetery

**American War Cemetery Margraten**

Plot	Row	Grave
P	21	10

## Immediate family

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### Members

**Woodard F. Watts (father)**

**Freda M. (Skillern) Watts (mother)**

**Margaret J. Watts (sister)**

**Freda M. Watts (sister)**

## Plane data

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### Serial number

**42-50324**

### Data

**Type: B-24H**

**Nickname: Eileen**

**Destination: Kassel, Germany**

**Mission: Bombing of the Henschel & Son aircraft plant**

**MACR: 9388**

## More information

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### Statement of Capt Andres Grove:

'100 to 150 enemy aircraft attacked our formation from 6 o'clock. They came in about 10 to 15 abreast and there were about 6 rows. B-24's were going down all around and it was impossible to state which was which. Many parachutes were seen in the area. Many of the planes were seen going down in flames.'

The co-pilot, 2nd Lt Walter George believed he was killed on the ground by civilians. He heard much small arms fire and many shouts and cries.

S/Sgt Watts was first buried at the cemetery of Ulfen the same day.

Woodard Watts had a twin sister Margaret Jane Watts. He was employed by Warfield and Keeble, architects, prior to entering the service in September, 1942. Overseas since June 28, he was a graduate of Andrews Preparatory School, and attended Hillsboro and West End High Schools. He had been promoted to private first class and was enrolled in the B-24 Liberator mechanics school at Keesler Field, Miss. in 1943

## Photos

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