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Personal info

Full name

STEINSEIFER, Ernest Edward

Date of birth Age Place of birth

17 January 1923 21 Tacoma, Pierce County, Washington

Hometown

Tacoma, Pierce County, Washington

Military service

Service number

19169595

Rank

Technical Sergeant

Unit

702nd Bombardment Squadron, 445th Bombardment Group, Heavy

Awards

Purple Heart,

Air Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster

Death & Grave

Status

Killed in Action

Date of death

24 February 1944

Cemetery

American War Cemetery Ardennes

Plot	Row	Grave
D	1	33

Immediate family

Members

Ernest Steinseifer (father)

Mary E. (Nevin) Steinseifer (mother)

Lorine Steinseifer (sister)

Doris Steinseifer (sister)

Herman Steinseifer (brother)

Robert Steinseifer (brother)

Plane data

Serial number

42-7566

Data

Type: B-24H

Destination: Gotha, Germany

Mission: Bombing of the Gothaer Waggonfabrik aviation industry

MACR: 2552

More information

T/Sgt Ernest E. Steinseifer graduated from Klamath Union High School in 1941. He was employed as an electrician at Seattle Tacoma Shipyard.

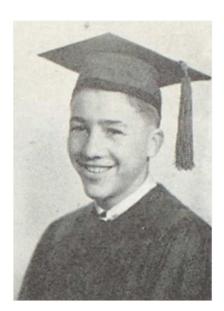
He volunteered for the Air Corps of the Army of the United States in Portland, Oregon on 10 November 1942.

The plane was shot down by Lt Waldemar Radener of 7.JG26.

T/Sgt Steinseifer's body was one of the two crew members who's remains were found, badly burned, close to the wreckage.

Four crew members were killed, five were taken prisoner.

Photos





Source of information: Peter Schouteten, Raf Dyckmans, Terry Hirsch, www.archives.gov, WWII Draft Card, 1930 US Census

Photo source: Peter Schouteten, Klamath Union High School 1941