

Personal info

Full name

HOWINGTON, Luchous Luke

Date of birth

9 May 1923

Age

21

Place of birth

Winnsboro, Franklin Parish, Louisiana

Hometown

Pittsburg County, Oklahoma

Military service

Service number

38387966

Rank

Staff Sergeant

Unit

**704th Bombardment Squadron,
446th Bombardment Group, Heavy**

Awards

**Purple Heart,
Air Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster**

Death & Grave

Status

Killed in Action

Date of death

15 October 1944

Cemetery

American War Cemetery Henri-Chapelle

Plot	Row	Grave
G	7	4

Immediate family

Members

William R. Howington (father)

Prudie Howington (mother)

Dora Howington (sister)

Charlie Howington (brother)

Clarence Howington (brother)

Carol L. Howington (wife)

Plane data

Serial number

41-29128

Data

Nickname: Lady Luck

Type: B-24H

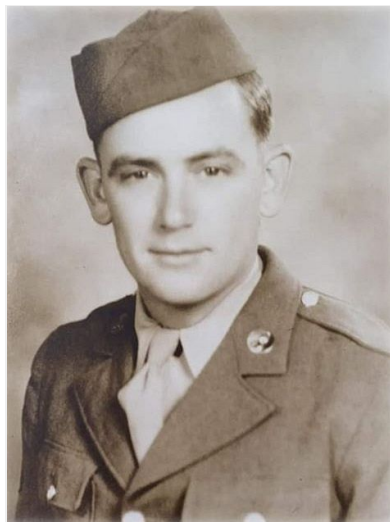
Destination: Cologne, Germany

Mission: Bombing of the marshalling yard

More information

The aircraft was being flown by 1st Lt Glen E. Rowe and his crew on Mission 171 to Cologne when it was hit by flak crossing the Rhine on the return. #4 Engine was lost immediately and #1 went out ten minutes later. Both were feathered and, as the plane was losing altitude, the crew threw out guns, ammunition, etc. Lt Rowe decided to land on St. Trond airfield. On the approach, realizing he was landing long, he tried to go round again but the plane crashed, ripping off the landing gear and fire broke out in the bomb bay and fore of this. Lt Rowe and the tail gunner, S/Sgt Howington were killed and the radio operator, T/Sgt Frank J. Janik, is believed to have suffocated.

Photos



Source of information: Raf Dyckmans, Carla Mans, www.wwiimemorial.com, www.b24bestweb.com, www.ancestry.com - 1930/1940 Census / Headstone and Interment Record / U.S. WWII Draft Cards Young Men

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