



Personal info

Full name

EVANS, Rowland Hill

Date of birth

5 July 1916

Age

27

Place of birth

Cameroon

Hometown

Baltimore City, Maryland

Military service

Service number

O-681361

Rank

First Lieutenant

Unit

**535th Bombardment Squadron,
381st Bombardment Group, Heavy**

Awards

**Purple Heart,
Air Medal**

Death & Grave

Status

Killed in Action

Date of death

22 February 1944

Cemetery

American War Cemetery Ardennes

Plot	Row	Grave
D	4	2

Immediate family

Members

Roland H. Evans (father)

Bertha C. Evans (mother)

Robert P. Evans (brother)

Plane data

Serial number

42-39895

Data

Type: B-17G

Nickname: Bermondsey Battler

Destination: Aschersleben, Germany

Mission: Bombing of the aircraft factory

MACR: 2935

More information

The airplane was hit by fire of enemy aircraft during the first attack. The #2 and #3 engine caught fire and there was probably a small fire in the nose. The pilot put the airplane in what looked to be a controlled slip to the left and dove down, probably in an effort to put out the fires.

The entire crew of ten men was killed. They were initially buried at the cemetery of Hiddesen.

Photos



Source of information: Raf Dyckmans, Terry Hirsch, Carla Mans, www.wwiimemorial.com, www.fold3.com, <http://www.americanairmuseum.com>, www.ancestry.com - New York Passenger Arrivals (Ellis Island) / 1940 Census

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