



### Personal info

Full name

**KEMPER, Harold Clement**

Date of birth

**4 May 1919**

Age

**24**

Place of birth

**Livingston, Rockcastle County, Kentucky**

Hometown

**Carrsville, Livingston County, Kentucky**

### Military service

Service number

**35495091**

Rank

**Technical Sergeant**

Unit

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

Awards

**Air Medal with 2 Oak Leaf Clusters**

### Death & Grave

Status

**Killed in Action**

Date of death

**22 February 1944**

Cemetery

**American War Cemetery Ardennes**

Plot	Row	Grave
D	38	18

## Immediate family

Members

**Herbert Kemper (father)**

**Alma (Mhan) Kemper (mother)**

**Walter Kemper (brother)**

**James Kemper (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

T/Sgt Harold C. Kemper worked on a farm before he enlisted in Evansville, Indiana on 25 September 1942.

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, [www.wwiimemorial.com](http://www.wwiimemorial.com), [www.fold3.com](http://www.fold3.com), <http://www.americanairmuseum.com>, [www.ancestry.com](http://www.ancestry.com) - United States World War II Army Enlistment Records / Kentucky, Vital Record Indexes / 1920 census, WWII Draft Card

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