

Fields of Honor Memorial

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Personal info

Full name

KIGGINS, Russell Joseph "Junie"

Date of birth

28 March 1921

Age

22

Place of birth

Syracuse, Onondaga County, New York

Hometown

Syracuse, Onondaga County, New York

Military service

Service number

32383681

Rank

Staff Sergeant

Unit

**364th Bombardment Squadron,
305th Bombardment Group, Heavy**

Awards

**Purple Heart,
Air Medal**

Death & Grave

Status

Killed in Action

Date of death

14 October 1943

Cemetery

American War Cemetery Margraten

Plot	Row	Grave
O	21	10

Immediate family

Members

Russell Kiggins (father)

Catherine Kiggins (mother)

Robert Kiggins (brother)

Ann Kiggins (sister)

Mary K. Kiggins (sister)

Plane data

Serial number

42-29952

Data

Type: B-17F

Nickname: Sizzle

Destination: Schweinfurt, Germany

Mission: Bombing of ball bearing plant

MACR: 917

More information

Russell Kiggins attended college and worked in a machine shop.

He enlisted in Syracuse, New York on 3 August 1942.

The airplane was shot down by enemy fighter planes. Five crew members survived and were taken prisoner, five men were killed.

Photos



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