



Personal info

Full name

MANAHAN, John C

Date of birth

21 March 1919

Age

24

Place of birth

Los Angeles, Los Angeles County, California

Hometown

Los Angeles, Los Angeles County, California

Military service

Service number

O-734952

Rank

Second Lieutenant

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
K	1	19

Immediate family

Members

Frank J. Manahan (father)

Josephine Manahan (mother)

Francis Manahan (brother)

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

John Manahan graduated from Manual Arts high School and attended the University of Southern California for two years. Before working for the in May 1941 fire department he was lead man at Douglas Aircraft. As a fireman he was greatly interested in athletics and was a member of the department bowling team. He also was on the baseball team from Battalion 11.

He volunteered for the Air Corps of the Army of the United States in Los Angeles, California on 4 February 1942.

His brother also served during WWII. He passed away on April 19, 1991.

The airplane was shot down by enemy fighter planes. Five crew members survived and were taken prisoner, five men were killed. 2nd Lt Manahan bailed out but his parachute did not open.

Photos



Source of information: Raf Dyckmans, www.fold3.com - MACR, www.ancestry.com - Family Tree

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