



Personal info

Full name

ERICKSON, Malcolm John

Date of birth

6 August 1919

Age

25

Place of birth

Wisconsin

Hometown

Hennepin County, Minnesota

Military service

Service number

O-700243

Rank

Captain

Unit

**509th Fighter Squadron,
405th Fighter Group**

Awards

**Distinguished Flying Cross,
Air Medal with 12 Oak Leaf Clusters,
Purple Heart with Oak Leaf Cluster**

Death & Grave

Status

Missing in Action

Date of death

23 March 1945

Cemetery

American War Cemetery Margraten

Walls of the Missing

Immediate family

Members

John C. Erickson (father)

Josephine (Bentestuen) Erickson (mother)

Harlan E. Erickson (brother)

Helen E. Erickson (sister)

More information

Malcolm Erickson graduated from Central High School and studied at the University of Minnesota.

He joined the U.S. Army Reserve with the aim of becoming an aviator, on 14 August 1942,

He made it into flight training and was trained at several air fields. On 10 June 1943, he crash-landed his PT19 at Brown Field, Texas. He was able to continue his flight training however,

He had completed over 80 missions.

He was awarded the Purple Heart Medal a first time for wounds, suffered in a flight on 10 January 1945 over France.

Photos



ERICKSON BERNARD G
PVT 16 ENGR BN 1 ARMD DIV
ERICKSON MALCOLM J
CAPT 509 FTR SQ 405 FTR GP
ERLINGS LAWRENCE W
SGT 748 BOMB SQ 457 BOMB GP (H)
ESSARY DEWEY
SGT 351 BOMB SQ 100 BOMB GP (H)
ESTILL SHANNON E
1 LT 428 FTR SQ 474 FTR GP



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