



Personal info

Full name

DANIELS, Joseph Daniel

Date of birth

6 April 1917

Age

27

Place of birth

Rockland Lake, Rockland County, New York

Hometown

Spring Valley, Rockland County, New York

Military service

Service number

O-753984

Rank

Second Lieutenant

Unit

**729th Bombardment Squadron,
452nd Bombardment Group, Heavy**

Awards

**Purple Heart,
Air Medal with 2 Oak Leaf Clusters**

Death & Grave

Status

Killed in Action

Date of death

12 May 1944

Cemetery

American War Cemetery Ardennes

Plot	Row	Grave
B	37	55

Immediate family

Members

Andrew Daniels (father)
Ella (Gerla) Daniels (mother)
Mary Daniels (sister)
Olga Daniels (sister)
William Daniels (brother)
Peter Daniels (brother)
Margaret M. (Strickland) Daniels (wife)
Daniel J. Daniels (son)

Plane data

Serial number

42-97143

Data

Nickname: You've Had It

Type: B-17G

Destination: Brux, Czechoslovakia

Mission: Bombing

MACR: 4776

More information

Following statement made by S/Sgt Alvin G. Russell, 13157963.

The formation was attacked by FW 190's and some ME 109's. Aircraft B-17G, 42-97235 was hit by 20mm cannon and the plane blew up. The right wing flew over and hit aircraft 42-97143 which then blew up. Three chutes were observed. The fuselage itself remained fairly intact and when last observed was on the way down. The formation was at approximately 23,500 feet when this occurred.

Joseph was afraid to jump, froze to wheal shortly before. He was pushed out the navigators hatch by a crewmember at approximattely 700 feet.

Photos



Source of information: Terry Hirsch, Carla Mans, www.wwiimemorial.com, www.fold3.com, www.ancestry.com - Family Tree / 1930 Census / WWII Draft Card

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