



Personal info

Full name

PEARSON, Carl R

Date of birth

15 August 1920

Age

22

Place of birth

Cleveland, Cuyahoga County, Ohio

Hometown

Cuyahoga County, Ohio

Military service

Service number

O-732965

Rank

Second Lieutenant

Unit

**331st Bombardment Squadron,
94th Bombardment Group, Heavy**

Awards

Purple Heart

Death & Grave

Status

Killed in Action

Date of death

21 May 1943

Cemetery

American War Cemetery Margraten

Plot	Row	Grave
B	2	29

Immediate family

Members

Carl J. Pearson (father)

Jennie (Johnson) Pearson (mother)

Esther Pearson (sister)

Plane data

Serial number

42-29727

Data

Type: B-17

Nickname: In Der Fuehrer's Face

Destination: Emden, Germany

Mission: Bombing of the port

More information

2nd Lt Carl R. Pearson graduated from East Tech high school in 1938 and attended college.

He volunteered for the Air Corps of the Army of the United States in Cleveland, Ohio on 28 March 1942.

The airplane was attacked by enemy fighters, which caused a fire in #3 engine and in the radio room. According to statements of Dutch citizens the airplane came down burning fiercely and exploded when it hit the ground.

Two crew members survived and were taken prisoner, eight were killed. They were initially buried at the cemetery of Vlagtwedde, The Netherlands.

Photos



Source of information: Raf Dyckmans, Terry Hirsch, www.ancestry.com - 1930 Census / Headstone and Interment Record, SLO Drenthe

Photo source: www.bunkermuseum.de, www.findagrave.com - Patti Johnson, East Technical High School 1938