



Personal info

Full name

RENDLER, Carl Jr

Date of birth

24 November 1921

Age

21

Place of birth

**Whittier, Los Angeles County,
California**

Hometown

Los Angeles County, California

Military service

Service number

39532169

Rank

Staff Sergeant

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	4	28

Immediate family

Members

Carl Rendler (father)

Florence Rendler (mother)

Blossom Rendler (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

S/Sgt Carl Rendler was a welder the California Ship builders Corp.

He enlisted in Los Angeles, California on 22 August 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



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