



Personal info

Full name

MC KERN, Bruce Arnold

Date of birth

14 April 1922

Age

22

Place of birth

Jerome, Appanoose County, Iowa

Hometown

Appanoose County, Iowa

Military service

Service number

O-769515

Rank

Second Lieutenant

Unit

**310th Squadron,
315th Troop Carrier Group**

Awards

unknown

Death & Grave

Status

Missing in Action

Date of death

22 February 1945

Cemetery

American War Cemetery Ardennes

Tablets of the Missing

Immediate family

Members

Eugene D. Mc Kern (father)
Coza M. (Dooley) Mc Kern (mother)
Marcella Mc Kern (sister)
Carl R. Mc Kern (brother)
Pauline (Hargin) Mc Kern (wife)
Lana L. Mc Kern (daughter)

Plane data

Serial number
42-92742

Data

Type: C-47A
Destination: Spanhoe, England
Mission: Glider Tow
MACR: 12677

More information

Bruce A. Mc Kern attended college for three years.

He joined the Air Corps of the U.S. Army Reserve in Des Moines, Iowa on 20 August 1942.

The aircraft departed from Spanhoe, England on 21 February 1945, flying to Welford Park, England and picking up a glider. The glider was towed to Advanced Landing Ground A-50 (Orleans/Bricy) where the aircraft developed engine trouble and remained overnight. Departing from A-50 on 22 February 1945, the aircraft proceeded to Advanced Landing Ground A-54 (Le Bourget) for the purpose of refueling. Not being able to procure fuel at A-54, the aircraft flew to A4 2 (- Vélizy-Villacoublay). The aircraft departed to A-42 at 1426 hours on 22 February 1945 for Spanhoe and no further knowledge of the airplane is available.

All four crew members were killed.

Photos



MC GINTY JAMES J	PFC
MC GINTY CARL S JR	2 LT
MC KEEN DENNIS M	PVT
MC KERN BRUCE A	2 LT
MC KINSEY THOMAS E	3 SGT
MC LAUGHLIN HOWARD M	PVT
MC MURTRY FRANCIS M JR	2 LT
MC GOWAN MARSHALL T	PFC

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