



### Personal info

Full name

**LAMMERS, Robert Kenneth**

Date of birth

**24 June 1919**

Age

**24**

Place of birth

**Nihill, Whatland County, Montana**

Hometown

**Rusk County, Wisconsin**

### Military service

Service number

**O-725653**

Rank

**First Lieutenant**

Unit

**558th Bombardment Squadron,  
387th Bombardment Group, Medium**

Awards

**Distinguished Flying Cross,  
Purple Heart,  
Air Medal with 5 Oak Leaf Clusters**

### Death & Grave

Status

**Missing in Action**

Date of death

**25 February 1944**

Cemetery

**American War Cemetery Margraten****Walls of the Missing**

## Immediate family

### Members

**Altman H. Lammers (father)**  
**Esther M. (White) Lammers (mother)**  
**Oliver A. Lammers (brother)**  
**Arthur J. Lammers (brother)**  
**George D. Lammers (brother)**  
**Henrietta E. Lammers (sister)**  
**Theodore Q. Lammers (brother)**  
**Helen J. Lammers (sister)**

## Plane data

### Serial number

**41-31671**

### Data

**Type: B-26B-15**  
**Nickname: Buddy's Rebel**  
**Destination: Venlo, the Netherlands**  
**Mission: Bombing of the airport**  
**MACR: 2333**

## More information

1st Lt Robert K. Lammers graduated from Hedgesville High School and attended the school of forestry at Montana State University.

He volunteered for the Air Corps of the Army of the United States in Washington, District of Columbia on 14 February 1942.

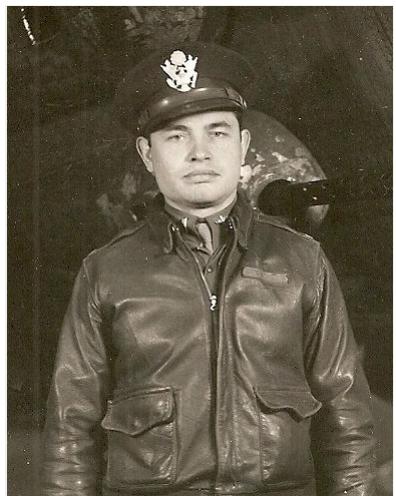
On the return flight, Fw-190 fighters attacking from the rear at five o'clock hit the airplane. Pieces of the elevator were seen to fall off. A part of the left wing, and flap and also aileron were seen to fly off. The left engine was afire. It then peeled off to the left and dived just before it entered a cloud bank in a steep dive. Fire appeared to be catching on the tail. The airplane gave the impression that an attempt was being made to regain control.

This was the 39th mission of Lt Lammers.

T/Sgt Julian F. Baggett and 1st Lt Robert K. Lammers were remembered at the Walls of the Missing at Magraten. The other crew members John H. Falls, Robert E. Evans, Henry E. McGill and Ernest E. Coe are remembered at the Tablets of the Missing at Cambridge.

At the time of Lt Lammers' death, two of his brothers were also serving: T/Sgt G.D. Lammers in Europe, and 1st Lt F.Q. Lammers in the Southwest Pacific.

## Photos



Source of information: Raf Dyckmans, [www.abmc.gov](http://www.abmc.gov), [www.ancestry.com](http://www.ancestry.com) - Family Trees, [www.archives.gov](http://www.archives.gov), [www.newspapers.com](http://www.newspapers.com) - The Independent Record

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