

Fields of Honor Memorial

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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.

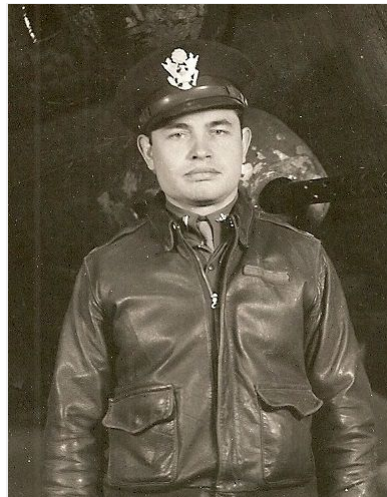
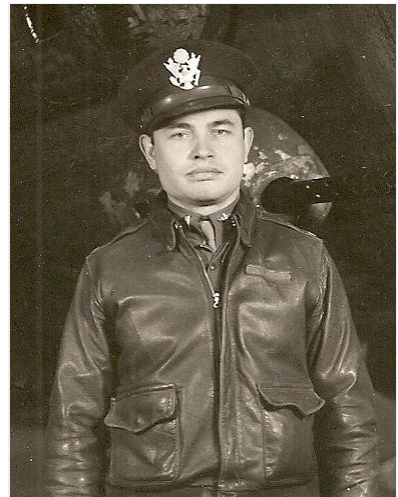
On the return flight, Fw-190 fighters attacking from the rear at five o'clock hit the airplane. Pieces of the elevator were seen to fall off. A part of the left wing, and flap and also aileron were seen to fly off. The left engine was afire. It then peeled off to the left and dived just before it entered 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



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