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WAR DEPARTMENT
HEADQUARTERS ARMY AIR FORCES
WASHINGTON

MISSING AIR CREW REPORT

IMPORTANT: This report will be compiled in triplicate by each Army Air Forces organization within 48 hours of the time an aircraft is officially reported missing.

- ORGANIZATION: Location AAF Station 106 ; Command or Air Force VIII
Group 384th ; Squadron 544th ; Detachment _____
- SPECIFY: POINT of Departure AAF Station 106 ; Poland As Briefed
Intended Destination Posen, Ger. Krzesinski ; Type of Mission Combat
- WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY AT TIME OF CRASH OR WHEN LAST REPORTED: 9/10 Cumulus
- GIVE: (a) Date 13 May 44 Time 1415 ; and Location 53°51'N 18°15'E
of last known whereabouts of missing aircraft.
(U) Specify whether (X) Found, () Last contacted by Radio;
() Forces Down; () Seen or Observed or () Information not Available.
- AIRCRAFT WAS LOST, OR IS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN LOST, AS A RESULT OF: (Check only one (X) Enemy Aircraft; () Enemy Anti-Aircraft; () Other circumstances as follows A/C peeled out of formation after being attack by E/A. A/C disappeared thru undercast, under control.
- AIRCRAFT: Type, Model and Series B-17G; A.A.F. Serial Number 42-102548 X
- ENGINES: Type, Model and Series _____; A.A.F. Serial Number (a) SW-014446
(b) SW-014453 ; (c) SW-014557 ; (d) SW-014615
- INSTALLED WEAPONS (Furnish below Make, Type and Serial Number)
(a) _____; (b) _____; (c) _____; (d) _____
(e) _____; (f) _____; (g) _____; (h) _____
- THE PERSONS LISTED BELOW WERE REPORTED AS: (a) Battle Casualty X
or (b) Non-Battle Casualty _____
- NUMBER OF PERSONS ABOARD AIRCRAFT: Crew 10 ; Passengers 0 ; Total 10
(Starting with pilot, furnish the following particulars: If more than 10 persons were aboard aircraft, list similar particulars on Separate sheet and attach original to this form).

	Crew Position	Name in Full (Last Name First)	Rank	Serial Number	
EOS 1.	Pilot	Baker, Charles Washington, Jr.	2nd Lt.	O-808281	RTD
EOS 2.	Co-Pilot	Koos, Leonard Frank	F/O	T-61937	RTD
RAC 3.	Navigator	Carlin, Phillip Lester	2nd Lt	O-698259	KIA
EOS 4.	Bombardier	Shaner, William Martin	2nd Lt	O-755114	RTD
EOS 5.	Radio Operator	Snead, William Austin	S/Sgt.	35646454	RTD
KIA 6.	Top Turret	Gutierrez, Harry Louie	Sgt.	19179073	KIA
KIA 7.	Ball Turret	Swartzendruber, Carroll Duane	Sgt.	37663908	KIA
KIA 8.	Tail Gunner	Soto, Salvador (NMI), Jr.	Sgt.	39276069	KIA
EOS 9.	Right Waist Gun	Sabo, George (NMI)	Sgt.	32725909	RTD
EOS 10.	Left Waist Gun	Hamilton, Harry Tobias	S/Sgt.	33538024	RTD

11. IDENTIFY BELOW THOSE PERSONS WHO ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE LAST KNOWLEDGE OF AIRCRAFT, AND CHECK APPROPRIATE COLUMNS TO INDICATE BASIS FOR SAME:

Name in Full (Last Name First)	Rank	Serial Number	Contacted				Check Only One Column	
			by Radio	Last Sighted	Saw Crash	Saw Forced Landing		
1. <u>Travis, William L.</u>	<u>Col.</u>	<u>O-19009</u>				X		
2.								
3.								

- IF PERSONNEL ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE SURVIVED, ANSWER YES TO ONE OF THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS: (a) Parachutes were used No; (b) Personnel seen walking away from scene of crash _____; or (c) Any other reason (Specify) Unknown
- ATTACH AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH, MAP, CHART, OR SKETCH, SHOWING APPROPRIATE LOCATION WHERE AIRCRAFT WAS LAST SEEN.
- ATTACH EYEWITNESS DESCRIPTION OF CRASH, FORCED LANDING, OR OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES PERTAINING TO MISSING AIRCRAFT.
- ATTACH A DESCRIPTION OF THE EXTENT OF SEARCH, IF ANY, AND GIVE NAME, RANK AND SERIAL NUMBER OF OFFICER IN CHARGE HERE _____

Date of Report 17 May 1944

J. R. Wyatt
(Signature of Preparing Officer)
J. R. WYATT,
1st Lt., Air Corps,
Asst. Adjutant.

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Sheet 2
Sheet 7'

✓ 2nd Lt. Charles W. Baker, Jr.

Mrs. Florence B. Baker, (Wife)
Delaware Avenue,
Bridgeville, Delaware.

✓ 2nd Lt. Philip L. Carlin

Mrs. Jennie I. Carlin, (Mother)
6130 York Road,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

✓ 2nd Lt. William M. Shamer,

Mrs. Mary E. Shamer, (Mother)
Border Street,
West Elizabeth, Pennsylvania.

✓ P/O Leonard F. Koon

Mrs. Mary E. Deternan, (Mother)
134 North K Street,
El Reno, Oklahoma.

✓ S/Sgt. Harry T. Hamilton

Mrs. Hannah M. Hamilton, (Mother)
Box Four, Route One,
Winchester, Virginia.

✓ S/Sgt. William A. Sneed

Mrs. Grace B. Sneed, (Mother)
162 Pershing Street,
Beckley, West Virginia.

✓ Sgt. Harry L. Gutierrez

Mrs. Rita C. Gutierrez, (Mother)
2025 Zonal Avenue,
Los Angeles, California.

✓ Sgt. Carroll D. Swartzendruber

Mr. Eulis J. Swartzendruber (Father)
Route Number Two,
Wellman, Iowa.

✓ Sgt. Salvador Soto, Jr.

Mrs. Frances B. Soto, (Wife)
667 Phoenix Street,
Los Angeles, California.

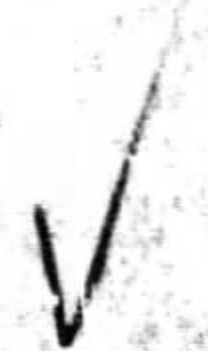
✓ Sgt. George Sabo

Mr. George Sabo, (Father)
51 New Broadway,
North Tarrytown, New York.

Identification-Tag

<i>KIA</i> GENTIERO, Harry L.	19179073	<i>KIA</i>
<i>KIA</i> Soto Jr. Salvador	39276069	<i>KIA</i>
<i>Exp</i> SMOED, William A.	35646456	<i>Pow</i>
BRASCH, Robert L.	0-635767	<i>Pow</i>
<i>Exp</i> Baker Jr. Charles W. O-908281		<i>Exp</i>

See SDClas - 1638 + 1233
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Identification-Tags

G u t i e r r e s , Harry L.	19179073
✓ S o t o jr. Salvador	39276069
✓ S n e a d , William A.	35646654
B r a s c h , Robert L.	0-685767
✓ B a k e r jr. Charles W. 0-838281	

Airbase Headquarters 2/III
Greifswald

Greifswald, 16. May 1944

Reference: D (Laf) 2706/07

To

Informing Center West

~~General~~

Inclosed are sent:

- 7 Fern 1
- 3 " with 2 letters
- 6 envelopes with list of confiscated items.

Signature illegible

Cpt. and Commanding Officer

Airbase-1, quarters 2/III
Graifswald

Graifswald, 16. May 1944

Reference: D (Left) 2706/07

To
Informing Center West
Darmstadt

Inclosed are sent:

- 7 Form 1
- 3 " with 2 letters
- 6 envelopes with list of confiscated items.

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Opt. and Commanding Officer

Identifications

Shaner
Shaner, William H.
Hamilton
Hamilton, Harry T.

0-75511
33538024

paid
Bill

✓

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCESPOST: **Airbase-Headquarters 2/III**PLACE: **Griffwald**DATE: **20. May 1944**REGARDING: CRASH: (DOWNED) OF, **Beeing B 17, shot down on the 19. May 1944 near Zarnokla at 14,30**EM. LANDING: AT:

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME)

S a b e ,

FIRST NAME:

George,

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA)

32725909

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED)

captured

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE:

near Griffwald on the 19. May 1944

NAME OF HOSPITAL:

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

Signature: **Sonnwald****Captain**

REPORT ON CAPTURED AIRCRAFTPOST: **Airbase-Headquarters 2/LXI**LOCATION: **Greifswald**DATE: **21. May 1944**DATE AND TIME: **13. May 1944 at 14,30**
AIRCRAFT WAS SHOT DOWNPLACE OF CRASH: **Zarnokla, 12 km south of Gryman**
(NEAREST TOWN)KIND OF CAPTURE: **Hunter**
(FLAK, HUNTER, NIGHT HUNTER,
EMERGENCY LANDING)TYPE OF AIRCRAFT: **Beech B 17**MARKINGS OF CRAFT: **unascertainable**
(LETTERS, FRONT OR REAR OF INSIGNIA)ADMITTANCE NO: **Right: P 210254 M - left: P 102548 M**EQUIPMENT: **./.**
F.T. FREQUENCIES: **1 Quartz Frequ. 7010 . 000**
CONDITION OF AIRCRAFT: **Destruction 99 % , caused by crash, burn and exploding bombs**DELIVERED TO DISTRIBUTOR: **Airdistrict command III**
(DULOG -LUFT, ETC.) **Dulag Luft**
Gl/ A- line
Design

The plane has been salvaged by civilian population of Zarnokla on the 18. May 44 and shipped.
Further data on type-plates unascertainable.

Signature illegible

Cpt. and Commanding Officer

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: **Airbase-Headquarters A(0) 9/III**
 PLACE: **(4) Farrow via Stralsund**

DATE: **18. May 1944**

REGARDING: **CRASH: (DOWNED) OF,**
EM. LANDING: AT:

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME)

Baker,

FIRST NAME:

Charles

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA)

0-808281

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED)

captured

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE:

**Road to Rostock, direction Stralsund near
 Cayria on the 18. May 1944 at 09,15**

NAME OF HOSPITAL:

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

Signature illegible

Airbase-Headquarters 2/III
Greifswald

Greifswald, 14. May 1946

Subject: Transfer of members of the Royal Air-Force

To

Dulang Luft
Greifswald

The Sgts. Nagelberger and Kytyr, Airbase Company Greifswald got order to transfer the two English Prisoners

Sergeant Harry Hamilton, (14 B 64 (pencil))

Sergeant William A. Bond (18 B 20 B (pencil))

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to Dulag Luft. It is requested to acknowledge the arrival and receipt.

Inclosure:

2 forms

Arrival and receipt acknowledged.

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Cpt.

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REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCESPOST: **Airbase-Headquarters 2/III**PLACE: **Großwald**DATE: **14. May 1944**REGARDING: CRASH: (DOWNED) OF,**Boeing B 17, shot down on the 13. May 1944
at 14,30 near Zarnokla /Trisna**EM. LANDING: AT:

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME)

Hamilton

FIRST NAME:

Harry Tobias

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA)

33538029

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED)

captured

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE:

13. May 1944 at about 14,35

NAME OF HOSPITAL:

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

Signature illegible**Cpt. and Commanding Officer**

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCESPOST: **Airbase-Headquarters 2/III**PLACE: **Oreifswald**DATE: **14. May 1944**REGARDING: **CRASH: (DOWNED) OF,**
EM. LANDING: AT:**Beeijg B 17, shot down on the 13. May 1944 at
14,30 near Zarnokla /Ornamen**

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME)

S m e a d ,

FIRST NAME:

William Austin

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA)

35646454

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED)

captured ✓

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE:

13. May 1944 at about 14,35

NAME OF HOSPITAL:

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERNMENT:

Signature illegible**Cpt. and Commanding Officer**

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCESPOST: **Airbase-Headquarters 2/III**PLACE: **Greifswald**DATE: **14. May 1944**REGARDING: CRASH: (DOWNED) OF,**Beeing B 17, shot down on the 13. May 1944
at 14,30 near Zarockia /Oranien**EM. LANDING: AT:

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME)

K O O S ,

FIRST NAME:

T. Leonard

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA)

61937 T 43-430

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED)

wounded , captured

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE:

13. May 1944 at about 14,35

NAME OF HOSPITAL:

Airforce Hospital Greifswald

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

Signature illegible**Cpt. and Commanding Officer**

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCESPOST: **Airbase-Headquarters 2/III**PLACE: **Greifswald**DATE: **14. May 1944**REGARDING: CRASH: (DOWNED) OF, **Beeing B 17, shot down on the 13. May 1944 at 14,30 near Zarackla /Orlmen**EM. LANDING: AT:

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME)

S h a n e r ,*0755114*

FIRST NAME:

William*Eisen*

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA)

unknown

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED)

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE:

NAME OF HOSPITAL:

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

According to testimonies of the prisoner were two crewmembers left in the plane. Rank Lieutenant. Which of them is escaped or which is dead, could not yet be ascertained.

Signature illegible

Cpt. and Commanding Officer

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REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCESPOST: ~~Airtax Headquarters 2/III~~PLACE: **Greifswald**DATE: **14. May 1944**REGARDING: CRASH: (DOWNED) OF, **Boeing B 17 , shot down on the 13. May 1944**
EM. LANDING: AT: **at 14,30 near Zarnhölz/Grienen**

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME)

B a k e r,

FIRST NAME:

Charles W.

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA)

unknown

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED)

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE:

NAME OF HOSPITAL:

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

According to testimonies of the prisoner were two crewmembers left in the plane. Which one of them is dead or escaped could not yet be ascertained.

Signature illegible

Cpt and Commanding Officer

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: **Airbase-Headquarters 2/III**

PLACE: **Graifswald**

DATE: **14 May 1944**

REGARDING: **CRASH: (DOWNED) OF,**

enemy Fighterplane, shot down on the 13, May 44 at 14,25 sec- 12 km south of Grimma, 300 m south of Citylimit

EM. LANDING: AT:

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME)

Unknown

FIRST NAME:

Unknown

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA)

Unknown

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED)

dead

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE:

NAME OF HOSPITAL:

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

*Cutler, Frank A
0732178
Kia*

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Cpt. and Commanding Officer

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TELEGRAM FORM

DISTANCE - MESSAGE

-OVERRUSEL-

NAME OF DISTANCE-MESSAGE WRITER:

Sequences # 43

ACCEPTED:

DELIVERED:

RECEIVED:

DATE:-

TIME:

TO:

DATE:

15 May

THROUGH:

TIME:

0130

ROLL:

FROM:

LSE

THROUGH:

Mexico

REMARKS:

330 1207 245 14/5 1140 - ON

To
 Information Center West Overruel
 Subject: Report on downed Aircraft
 Place of crash: Zamakla ca. 12 km south of Orizaba
 Time of Crash: 13. May 1944 at 14:30
 C) Type of Aircraft: Boeing B 17
 D) Markings and Manufacturer Model Number I H decal B on the fin Nr. 35 (according to testimony of the prisoner)
 E) Condition of the plane: Destruction 7/5, completely damaged by own bombs.
 F) Crew: AA) 3 dead - Sgt. Salvador Soto Jr. S.N. 527009 T 43-43 BB) Harry L. *Red*
 Gutierrez S.N. 19179073 T 43-43 C, 1 dead (see supplement) DD) 5 prisoner
 Lt. Robert Hensch, S.N. 0-649707 T 43-3 } *MACR# 4980 { Crew accounted for*
 Lt. Josef Marinello, S.N. 0-714546 T 43 }
 Lt. John L. Allen S.N. 0-698200 T 43-44 }
 Sgt. Harry Hamilton, S.N. 3743029 } *cus*
 Sgt. William A. Sneed, S.N. 3444434 } *cus*
 CC) 1 wounded Lt. Leonard Kern, S.N. 61937 T 43-43, shot in right upper leg.
 DD) 1 escaped; supplement: according to testimony of Sgt. Hamilton were still further
 circumstances in the plane. One of them is escaped and was dead.
 Airbase-Headquarters #111 Orizaba

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Airbase Headquarters 2/III
Greifswald

Greifswald, 16. May 1944

Subject: Shot down of a Boeing B 17 on the 13. May 1944 near Zarnhau.

To
Information Center West

Content:

For the message captured Lt. Shaver in the Form 1 sent herewith. According to his testimony is the corpse which was lying near the plane Lt. Baker. Form 1 is inclosed.

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Cpt. and Commanding Officer

Inclosures:

2 Form 1

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

Airbase-Headquarters 2/III

POST:

Greifswald

PLACE:

16. May 1944

DATE:

REGARDING:

CRASH: (DOWNED)

OF:

Boeing B 17, shot down on the 13. May 1944 at
14. 30 near Karnokla 12 km south of GrimsenEN. LANDING:

AT:

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME)

Shaefer,

FIRST NAME:

William 

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA)

O-755114 T 43-44 A

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED)

captured.

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE:

Rail-road Station Grimsen on the 15. May 1944
at 0600

NAME OF HOSPITAL:

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

Signature illegible

Cpt. and Commanding Officer

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: **Airbase-Headquarters 2/III
Greifswald**

PLACE:

16. May 1944

DATE:

**Boeing B 17, shot down on the 13. May 1944 at
14, 30 near Zarnokla 12 km south of Griesen**

REGARDING:

CRASH: (DOWNED) OF,

EN. LANDING: AT:

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME)

B A K E R,

FIRST NAME:

Charles W.

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA)

not found

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED)

dead

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PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE:

NAME OF HOSPITAL:

Cemetery Zarnokla District Griesen.

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

Signature illegible

Cpt. and Commanding Officer

Date and time aircraft
was shot down:

13 May 44, time: 1430

Casualty No.: KU 1876

Place of crash:

Larnokla district Grimmen

Type of aircraft:

Fortress

Reporting office:

Air Base No. Greifswald

Name	Rank	Serial Number	captured wounded dead	Place of internment
BAKER Charles Washington 2nd/Lt.		0-805281	captured	Dalog Luft
BRAYER William Martin 16 Oct 22 Pa.		0-755114		
KOOS Leonard Frank 26 Aug 21 Ohio.	P/O.	7-61937		
HAMILTON Harry Tobias 29 Sept 22	P/Sgt.	33538034		
BYRAD William Austin 24 Dec 22 West Va.		35646454		
SANO George 1925 N.Y.	Sgt.	32725909		

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+ SD case 1688
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Dalog Luft, 5 June 44 No.



13. May. 1944. 1400.

ENEMY Zarnokla 12 km.

S. of Grimen/Pommern

Type : Fortress 458

544 HB Squadr. 384. Group P/O.

Airfield Grafton-

Underwood

Target: Airfield Command

Greifswald

26. May.

BRASCH

MARINELLO

ALLEN

KOOS

SOTO

GUTIERREZ

HAMILTON

SNFAD

2nd. Lt. BAKER

2nd. Lt. SHAWER

Sgt. SABO

KU 1876

Robert L.

Joseph

John L.

Leonard Frank T-61937

Salvador Jr. 3276069

Harry L. 19179073

Harry Tobias 33534029

William Austin 35646454

Charles Whashington O-808280

William Martin O-755114

George

O-685767 KU 1881

O-754366 KU 1881

O-698250 KU 1881

capt.

dead

capt.

capt

capt.

capt.

capt.

3 dead Cemetery Zarnokla

*51 Capt
1233*



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EXTRACT STATEMENT OF LEAD NARRATIVE BY COLONEL W. TRAVIS, PILOT, A/C 484, ON
MISSION TO POSEN, GERMANY AND KRZESINSKI, POLAND, 13 MAY 1944.

Begin
A/C 548, LT. BAKER, PILOT, NO. 7, LOW SQUADRON, LOW GROUP, AT 53°51' N, 13°15' E,
ALTITUDE 17,000 FEET, WHILE FORMATION WAS UNDER ATTACK OF ENEMY AIRCRAFT, WAS
SEEN TO LEAVE THE FORMATION, DIVE DIRECTLY DOWN, AND DISAPPEARED THROUGH THE
UNDERCAST. NO CHUTES WERE SEEN TO EMERGE FROM THIS AIRCRAFT. *End quote*

/s/ William Travis
/t/ WILLIAM TRAVIS,
Colonel, Air Corps,
Executive Officer.

A TRUE EXTRACT COPY

J. R. Wyatt
J. R. WYATT,
1st Lt., Air Corps,

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Baker, Charles W., Jr.	O-808,281	POW	21 Jun 44	174070	13 May 44
Gutierrez, Harry L.	19,179,073	KIA	29 Jul 44	211109	13 May 44
Hamilton, Harry T.	33,538,024	POW	21 Jun 44	174070	28 Jun 44
Koos, Leonard F.	T-61,937	POW	21 Jun 44	174070	13 May 44
Sabo, George	32,725,909	POW	21 Jun 44	174070	13 May 44
Shaner, William M.	O-755,114	POW	21 Jun 44	174070	13 May 44
Soto, Salvador, Jr.	39,276,069	KIA	29 Jul 44	211109	13 May 44
Snead, William A.	35,646,454	POW	21 Jun 44	174070	13 May 44
Carlin, Phillip L.	O-698,259	KIA	14 Jun 44	167090	13 May 44

K U 1876

Downing of a B O E I N G B 17 near Zarnekla, 12 km south of Grissen
on: May - 13 - 44 at 1440.

1) S O T O	Salvador jr.	✓	d e a d					
				A.S.N.:	39 278 069	T	43 - 43	B
2) G U T I E R R E Z	Harry L	✓	d e a d					
				A.S.N.:	19 173 073	T	43 - 43	O-

Identification Tags

Shaner, Milton H.

0-755224

Hamilton, Harry T.

3353024

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCESPOST: **Airbase-Headquarters 2/III**PLACE: **Greifswald**DATE: **20. May 1944**REGARDING: CRASH: (DOWNED) OF, **Beeing B 17, shot down on the 13. May 1944 near Zarnokla at 14,30**EN. LANDING: AT:NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME), **S a b e ,**FIRST NAME: **George,**SERIAL NUMBER: (USA) **32725909**RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED) **captured**PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE: **near Griesen on the 19. May 1944**

NAME OF HOSPITAL:

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

Signature: **Sannwald****Captain**

REPORT ON CAPTURED AIRCRAFT

POST: **Airbase-Headquarters 2/III**

LOCATION: **Greifswald**

DATE: **21. May 1944**

DATE AND TIME: **13. May 1944 at 14,30**
 AIRCRAFT WAS SHOT DOWN

PLACE OF CRASH: **Zarnokia, 12 km south of Grynasen**
 (NEAREST TOWN)

KIND OF CAPTURE: **Hunter**
 (PLAK, HUNTER, NIGHT HUNTER,
 EMERGENCY LANDING)

TYPE OF AIRCRAFT: **Boeing B 17**

MARKINGS OF CRAFT: **unascertainable**
 (LETTERS, FRONT OR REAR OF INSIGNIA)

ADMITTANCE NO: **Right: P 21e254 M - left: P 1e2546 M**

EQUIPMENT: **./.**
 F.T. FREQUENCIES: **1 Oears Frequ. 7010 . 000**
 CONDITION OF AIRCRAFT: **Destruction 99 % , caused by crash, burn and exploding bombs**

DELIVERED TO DISTRIBUTOR: **Airdistrict command III**
 (DULOG -LUFT, ETC.) **Dalay Luft**
GI/ A- Ruo
Design

The plane has been salvaged by civilian population of Zarnokia on the 18. May 44 and shipped.
Further data on type-plates unascertainable.

Signature illegible

Cpt. and Commanding Officer

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: **Airbase-Headquarters A(0) 9/III**

PLACE: **(4) Parow via Stralsund**

DATE: **18. May 1944**

REGARDING: **CRASH: (DOWNED) OF,**

EM. LANDING: AT:

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME)

B a k e r ,

FIRST NAME:

Charles

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA)

0-008281

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED)

captured

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE:

**Road to Rostock, direction Stralsund near
Carnia on the 18. My 1944 at 04,15**

NAME OF HOSPITAL:

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

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18. May 1944
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Photo

384 3. Camp.

23. May 1944

Airbase-Headquarters 2/III
Greifswald

Greifswald, 14. May 1944

Subject: Transfer of members of the Royal Air-Force

To

Dalag Luft
Observed

The Sgts. Nagelberger and Kytz, Airbase Company Greifswald got order to transfer the two English Prisoner

Sergeant Harry Hamilton, (IA D 64 (pencil)

Sergeant William A. Sneed (IA D 20 B (pencil)

to Dalag Luft. It is requested to acknowledge the arrival and receipt.

Inclosure:

2 Forms

Arrival and receipt acknowledged.

Signature illegible

Cpt.

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCESPOST: **Airbase-Headquarters 2/III**PLACE: **Greifswald**DATE: **14. May 1944**REGARDING: CRASH: (DOWNED) OF, **Boeing B 17, shot down on the 13. May 1944**
EN. LANDING: AT: **at 14,30 near Zarnokla /Brimmen**

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME)

H a m i l t o n

FIRST NAME:

Harry Tobias

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA)

33538029

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED)

captured

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE:

13. May 1944 at about 14,35

NAME OF HOSPITAL:

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

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14,30 near Zarnokla /Ornamen****EM. LANDING: AT:**

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME)

S n e e d ,

FIRST NAME:

William Austin

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA)

35646454

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED)

captured

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE:

13. May 1944 at about 14,35

NAME OF HOSPITAL:

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

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at 14,30 near Zarnekia /Grisman****EM. LANDING: AT:**

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME)

K O O S ,

FIRST NAME:

T. Leonard

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA)

61937 T 43-430

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED)

wounded , captured

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE:

13. May 1944 at about 14,35

NAME OF HOSPITAL:

Airforce Hospital Greifswald

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERNMENT:

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NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME)

S H A D E F ,

FIRST NAME:

William

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA)

Unknown

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED)

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE:

NAME OF HOSPITAL:

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

According to testimonies of the prisoner were two crewmembers left in the plane. Rank: Lieutenants. Which of them is escaped or which is dead, could not yet be ascertained.

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Cpt. and Commanding Officer

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

Airbase-Headquarters 2/III

POST:

Greifswald

PLACE:

DATE:

14. May 1944

REGARDING:

CRASH: (DOWNED) OF,

EN. LANDING: AT:

**an enemy Fighterplane , shot down on the 13, May 44
at 14,25 sec- 12 km south of Gritzen , see a
south of Citylimit**

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME)

Unknown

FIRST NAME:

Unknown

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA)

Unknown

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED)

dead

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE:

NAME OF HOSPITAL:

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERNMENT:

Signature illegible

Cpt. and Commanding Officer

TELEGRAM FORM

DISTANCE - MESSAGE

-OBERURSEL-

NAME OF DISTANCE-MESSAGE WRITER:

Sequence # 43

ACCEPTED:

DELIVERED:

RECEIVED:

DATE:-

TIME:

TO:

DATE: 15. May

THROUGH:

TIME: 0130

ROLL:

FROM: LSW

THROUGH: Merkel

REMARKS:

SSD LSW 245 14/5 1140 - QEM

To

Information Center West Oberursel.

Subject: Report on downed Aircraft

Place of crash: Zarnsiedel ca. 12 km south of Grinven

Time of Crash: 13. May 1944 at 14.30

C) Type of Aircraft: Boeing B 17

D) Markings and Manufacture Model Number I M decal B on the fin Nr. 35 (according to testimony of the prisoner)

E) Condition of the plane: Destruction 99%, completely damaged by own bombs.

F) Crew: AA) 3 dead - Sgt. Salvador Soto Jr. S.N. 3276069 T 43-43 BB) Harry L. Quijadas S.N. 19179073 T 43-43 C, 1 dead (see supplement) BB) 5 prisoner

Lt. Robert Brasch, S.N. 0-685767 T 42-3

Lt. Josef Marinello, S.N. 0-754366 T 43

Lt. John L. Allan S.N. 0-698250 T 43-44

Sgt. Harry Hamilton, S.N. 3353802,

Sgt. William A. Sneed, S.N. 35046494

CC) 1 wounded Lt. Leonard Kees, S.N. 61937 T 43-430, shot in right upper leg.

DD) 1 escaped: supplement: According to testimony of Sgt. Hamilton were still further crewmembers in the plane. One of them is escaped and one dead.

Airbase-Headquarters 2/III Greifswald

6-3274 AF (5)

Airbase-Headquarters 2/III
Greifswald

Greifswald, 16. May 1944

Subject: Shot down of a Boeing B 17 on the 13. May 1944 near Zarnakia.

To
Information Center West

Oberursaal

For the meanwhile captured Lt. Sharer is the Form 1 sent herewith.
According to his testimony is the corpse which was lying near the plane Lt. Baker.
Form 1 is inclosed.

Signature illegible

Cpt. and Commanding Officer

Inclosure:

2 Forms 1

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCESAirbase-Headquarters 2/III

POST:

Greifswald

PLACE:

16. May 1944

DATE:

REGARDING:

CRASH: (DOWNED) OF,Boeing B 17, shot down on the 13. May 1944 at
14. 30 near Zarnokla 12 km south of GrimenEM. LANDING: AT:

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME)

S h a n e r ,

FIRST NAME:

William

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA)

O-755114 T 43-44 A

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED)

captured.

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE:

Rail-Road Station Grimen on the 15. May 1944
at 0600

NAME OF HOSPITAL:

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

Signature illegible

Cpt. and Commanding Officer

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: **Airbase-Headquarters 2/III
Greifswald**

PLACE: **16. May 1944**

DATE:

REGARDING: CRASH: (DOWNED) OF,

**Boeing B 17 , shot down on the 13. May 1944 at
14, 30 near Zarnokla 12 km south of Grimsen**

EM. LANDING: AT:

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME)

B a k e r ,

FIRST NAME:

Charles W.

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA)

not found

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED)

dead

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE:

NAME OF HOSPITAL:

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERNMENT:

Cemetery Zarnokla District Grimsen.

Signature illegible

Cpt. and Commanding Officer

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: S o t o, Salvador (NMI), Jr.
 Rank: Sgt.
 Serial number: 39276069
 Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~cockpit (Fighter)~~ Tail Gunner

Did he bail out? No

Where? _____

If not, why not? Not known

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: None

Was he injured? Not known

Where was he when last seen? In wreckage of plane

Any hearsay information: _____

Source: _____

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: No damage done to rear of plane believe to have froze from fear of ammunition boxes rolled on him

Total number of missions of above crew member: _____

Dates and destinations if possible: _____

CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Your name Hamilton, Harry T. Rank S/Sgt Serial No. 33538024
2. Organization 384 Gp Commander Col. Smith Rank _____ Sqn CO _____ Rank _____
(full name) (full name)
3. What year 1944 month May day 13 did you go down? yes
4. What was the mission, Pozen, Poland, target, Stettin, Ger., target time, 1345, altitude, 22000 ft. route scheduled, North Sea, Denmark, route flown Same
5. Where were you when you left formation? Germany East of Stettin
6. Did you bail out? yes
7. Did other members of crew bail out? _____
8. Tell all you know about when, where, how each person in your aircraft for whom no individual questionnaire is attached bailed out. A crew list is attached. Please give facts. If you don't know, say: "No Knowledge". Sgt George Sabo followed me bailing out. and Sgt. William Smead followed him. Through main entrance door others no knowledge.
9. Where did your aircraft strike the ground? in Small Village Name Not Known
10. What members of your crew were in the aircraft when it struck the ground? (Should cross check with 8 above and individual questionnaires) Salvador Soto
Think Carrol Swartzendruber
11. Where were they in aircraft? Tail, Ball turret
12. What was their condition? Physical unhurt
13. When, where, and in what condition did you last see any members not already described above? Pilot Charles W. Baker Jr. 2nd Lt. Camp
lucky Strike, France. OK, returning home
William Smead Sgt. in prison Camp
George Sabo in Prison Camp
14. Please give any similar information on personnel of any other crew of which you have knowledge. Indicate source of information.
One more crew from same Sgd. went down on same mission inlisted men were in prison camp with me believe to be all alive

(Any additional information may be written on the back)



HEADQUARTERS, ARMY AIR FORCES

WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO: AFPPA-8



George Sobo
51 New Broadway
North Fort Worth, Tex.

SUBJECT: Casualty Information of Crew Members

TO: HAMILTON, Harry Tobais, S/Sgt.

Leonard Koos
134 N. K. SE.
El Reno, OK 12.

1. You will be interested to know that there have been formed here in Washington and in the theaters overseas, Missing Aircrew Research and Investigation Offices to collect all information from our own and enemy sources, correlate this information and furnish it to search teams in the theaters who will go to the scene of the casualty incident and investigate. These teams will question those in the area who have knowledge of the incident and trace all leads down until they have the story. The German records we have translated are excellent. We have just received the Japanese records. By combining all this data with the story available in your memory, we can tell next of kin the things that mean so much to them.

2. You may or may not have been questioned in this manner before concerning the mission on which you were shot down and the events that followed. Regardless of previous questionnaires, it is important that we have the information requested here to complete our records concerning combat crewmen remaining in a casualty status.

3. If you have been sworn to secrecy as a result of your escape, evasion or internment, you may consider yourself released from all restrictions as to disclosure or publication of experiences except:

- a. Secret intelligence activities and methods developed for use, or actually used, in prison camps.
- b. Details of techniques employed by military intelligence organizations operating behind enemy lines to assist evasion and escape.
- c. Negotiations conducted on high government or military level to secure release from internment in a neutral country. (See AAF Reg 46-8 dated 30 October 1945)

4. Please answer all the questions you can promptly and accurately. Re-

Wm. Shannon (mother)
Borden St.
W. Elizabeth, Penn. Mary E.

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6-3842, AF

quest that, if possible, answers be typewritten; if not, printed. Mail the reply to Commanding General, Army Air Forces, Attention: AFPPA-8, Washington 25, D. C.

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL ARNOLD:



JOHN J. SMITH
Lt. Col., Air Corps
Chief, Notification Section
Personal Affairs Branch
Personnel Services Division, AC/AS-1

Incls

Harry L. Gutierrez (mother) Rita L.
2025 Zonal Ave.

h.A. Cal.
Correl D. Swartzendruben
REF 2
Wellman, Iowa. (Father) Ellis J.

Salvador Soto
667 Phoenix St. wife Francis B.
L.A. Cal.

Wm. Sneed
162 Pershin St, (mother)
Berkley W. Va. Grace B.

C.W. Baker (wife)
Bridgeville, Del. Florence B.

Phillip Carlin
6130 York Road. (mother) 6-3842, AF
Philadelphia penn. Jennie J.

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: **S h e e r, William Martin**
 Rank: **2nd Lt.**
 Serial number: **0-755 214**
 Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~Engineer (Engineer)~~ **Subnavigator**

Did he bail out? This Officer was a Prisoner of

Where? WAR AND WAS RELEASED ON 29 APRIL 1945

If not, why not? from STALAG 7-A

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: _____

Was he injured? _____

Where was he when last seen? _____

Any hearsay information: _____

Source: _____

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: _____

Total number of missions of above crew member: _____

Dates and destinations if possible: _____

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: Captain, Phillip Lester
Rank: 2nd Lt.
Serial number: 0-49237
Position: Crew (Bomber) Navigator

Did he bail out? Yes

Where? North of Stettin near Demmin (Name of Town received from crew members)

If not, why not? _____

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: _____

Was he injured? Apparently not until time of bailout

Where was he when last seen? Last seen by Co-pilot after he hit the ground

Any hearsay information: Reported to have opened chute too soon and it caught in ship finally tearing loose and dropping him.

Source: Bombardier William M. Shaver 0-755114

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: According to report of Co-pilot the Germans picked up a body identified as that of Carlson with remnants of a chute still attached.

Total number of missions of above crew member: Not known

Dates and destinations if possible: Not known

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIREName of crew member: Callahan, Harry Louis

Rank:

Serial number:

Position: Crew (Bomber) Top TurretDid he bail out? No (According to Reports of Engineers & Radio operators)

Where? _____

If not, why not? Not knownLast contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: I personally called him out of the turret, not being able toWas he injured? Apparently not (make him hear me & grabbed his legs and pulled him down)Where was he when last seen? In the Turret with me attaching his chute.Any hearsay information: According to information received from Radio operators & Engineers he was found in wreckage of plane.

Source: _____

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: _____

The only explanation for him not bailing out that I can suppose is that he either was injured and we did not know it or that he could not bring himself to make the jump.Total number of missions of above crew member: 8Dates and destinations if possible: Do not recall

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: SWARTZENDRUBER, Carroll Duane

Rank:

Serial number:

Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~Fighter~~ (Fighter) Ball turret

Did he bail out? Not Known. Believe he did.

Where? NEAR Demmin - North of Stettin

If not, why not? _____

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: Oxygen check

Was he injured? Not Known

Where was he when last seen? Do not Remember

Any hearsay information: _____

Source: _____

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: _____

We know that Swartzendruber was wearing his chute in the ball turret by fastening it to his harness by one hook. As I know there were seven chutes and two members were reported found in the wreckage also the survivors

Total number of missions of above crew member: Not Known (over)

Dates and destinations if possible: _____

INDIVIDUAL CREW MEMBER QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: Soto, Salvador (MI), Jr.
Rank: 1st Lt.
Serial number: 327609
Position: Crew (Bomber) of Pilot (Pilot), Tail Gunner

Did he bail out? No (Report of Radio operator + Engineer

Where? _____

If not, why not? Apparently killed by enemy bullets

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: Oxygen check

Was he injured? _____

Where was he when last seen? Slumped over his guns ^{or} near them

Any hearsay information: According to reports of Radio Operator, Engineer Soto was hit when the enemy fighters attacked us. Sgt. Saba, waist gunner reported seeing a body but couldn't remember who it was

Source: _____

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: _____

No explanation other than above reports.

His body was reported found in the wreckage

Total number of missions of above crew member: 8

Dates and destinations if possible: Do not recall

CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Your name CHARLES W BAKER JR Rank 2nd LT. Serial No. 0-808281
2. Organization 394 BnGp Commander DALE O. SMITH Rank Col. SqN COA ALFRED C. MUTTA Rank LT. Col.
(full name) (full name)
3. What year 1944 month MAY day 13 did you go down?
4. What was the mission, Bombing Industrial Plants, target, POSEN, target
time, Approx 1235, altitude, 11000 Route-20000 target route scheduled, Over North
and Baltic Sea to point, route flown As Scheduled
North of STETTIN
5. Where were you when you left formation? North of STETTIN
6. Did you bail out? Yes
7. Did other members of crew bail out? Yes
8. Tell all you know about when, where, how each person in your aircraft for whom no individual questionnaire is attached bailed out. A crew list is attached. Please give facts. If you don't know, say: "No Knowledge". Bombardier Co-pilot Navigator and myself bailed out of nose escape hatch. I was first man out because of the fact the hatch was jammed and I had to fail against it to carry it out. Co-pilot, Navigator + Bombardier bailed in that order. No knowledge of other members. Two chutes were
9. Where did your aircraft strike the ground? A large building near small village believed to be Demmin, Ger.
10. What members of your crew were in the aircraft when it struck the ground? (Should cross check with 8 above and individual questionnaires) As I was not captured for a week I have no first hand knowledge. Radio operator believes Gutierrez + Soto were in ship at time it struck.
11. Where were they in aircraft? Soto in Tail Gun position - Gutierrez in nose.
12. What was their condition? Soto Apparently Killed before ship was abandoned. Condition of Gutierrez not known.
13. When, where, and in what condition did you last see any members not already described above? No other member seen after ship was hit by enemy fighters. The Co-pilot and myself were both injured by 20mm shell fragments and suffered burns as the Pilot's compartment burst into flames. No other member appeared injured. I personally called Gutierrez out of top turret and rang emergency bell to warn rest of crew. No other contact possible as radio and interphone were shot out. Gutierrez was in turret with chute on when I left ship.
14. Please give any similar information on personnel of any other crew of which you have knowledge. Indicate source of information.

None

(Any additional information may be written on the back)

(OVER)

I was pilot of B-17 shot down North of Stettin on May 13, 1944. We were on mission to Posen and flying at approximately 14,000 feet & climbing to bombing altitude when hit by enemy fighters. We were climbing through an overcast of about 6/10 coverage and the fighters apparently came in at 4 o'clock high over top of clouds. They struck without warning. The first thing I knew we were being hit by machine gun & 20mm shells. The instrument panel on Co-pilot's side was blown out and also windows on that side. The Co-pilot was hit in the right leg by a 20mm shell and I received fragments in both hands and arms. Our oxygen system, hydraulic system and radio were knocked out. I immediately began to let down to a lower altitude because of loss of oxygen and thought we could possibly get away. Almost immediately however the compartment burst into flames. I tried to contact the crew but our interphone was out. I rang the emergency bell and by this time the heat was so intense that we had to leave our seats. I pulled Gutierrez down from the top turret and went to see if the Bombardier & Navigator were preparing to abandon ship. The Co-pilot and top turret gunner were by this time in the tunnel ready to bail out. I tried to release the hatch but it was jammed. I put my arms over my face and head and fell against the hatch carrying it out. There were at the time I opened my chute, two other chutes in the air which I took to be two of the men from the waist. The Navigator bailed out but according to the Bombardier he pulled his chute too soon and it caught on the ship. I finally ripped loose but apparently never fully opened. I counted six chutes besides my own and for this reason believe the ball turret gunner Swartzendruber bailed out as the Navigator's chute did not.

CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

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1. Your name WILLIAM M. SHANER Rank 2ND LT. Serial No. 0-755114
2. Organization 384TH BOMB. GRP. 544TH BOMB SQ. Gp Commander SMITH Rank COL. Sqn CO NUTTALL Rank LT. COL.
(full name) (full name)
3. What year 1944 month MAY day 13 did you go down?
POZNAN POLAND F.W. 190 PLANT
4. What was the mission, _____, target, _____, target
time, 15:00, altitude, 20,000 route scheduled, A CROSS N. SEA
OVER DENMARK THEN, route flown SAME AS PREVIOUSLY DESCRIBED
SOUTH TO POZNAN
5. Where were you when you left formation? 60 MILES S.E. OF STETTIN GERMANY
6. Did you bail out? YES
7. Did other members of crew bail out? YES
8. Tell all you know about when, where, how each person in your aircraft for whom no individual questionnaire is attached bailed out. A crew list is attached. Please give facts. If you don't know, say: "No Knowledge". NAVIGATOR CARLIN
POPPED CHUTE IN PLANE BUT JUMPED ANY WAY WITH CHUTE IN
HI ARMS. I NEVER SAW IT OPEN. NO KNOWLEDGE ON ANY OTHERS
EXCEPT THAT PLUT & COPILOT; BAKER & KOOS BAILED OUT SAFELY
9. Where did your aircraft strike the ground? 60 MILES S.E. OF STETTIN GERMANY
10. What members of your crew were in the aircraft when it struck the ground? (Should cross check with 8 above and individual questionnaires) NO KNOWLEDGE
11. Where were they in aircraft? UNKNOWN
12. What was their condition? UNKNOWN
13. When, where, and in what condition did you last see any members not already described above? NO KNOWLEDGE
14. Please give any similar information on personnel of any other crew of which you have knowledge. Indicate source of information. NO KNOWLEDGE

(Any additional information may be written on the back)

CHARLES W. BAKER, JR.
DELAWARE AVENUE
BRIDGEVILLE, DELAWARE

open and according to reports two men were in the ship when it hit.

I suffered a broken leg when I landed and although I was not captured I could not contact any of the crew. I did manage to set my leg and bandage it and with the help of a stick manage to get away for a week. The Bombardier and one Gunner, Sabo, were also loose for a few days but I was unable to contact them due to my slow rate of travel.

The only information I received thereafter was from the Co-pilot and Bombardier after I reached prison camp and from the Radio operator and engineer after I was released.

Charles W. Baker Jr.