

WAR DEPARTMENT
HEADQUARTERS ARMY AIR FORCES
WASHINGTON

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: _____ Command or Air Force _____
GROUP 384th Bomb GP.; SQUADRON 544th Bomb Sq. DETACHMENT _____
- SPECIFY: Point of Departure _____; Course _____
Intended Destination Hamburg-Kiel-Rostock; Type of Mission Bombing
- WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY AT TIME OF CRASH OR WHEN LAST REPORTED: _____
- GIVE: (a) Date 25 July 48 Time _____; And location of last known whereabouts of missing aircraft 500 meters S. E. of Neritz, near Bad Oldesloe, Germany.
(b) Specify whether () Last sighted; () Last contacted by radio; () Forced down; () Seen to Crash; or () Information not available.
- AIRCRAFT WAS LOST, OR IS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN LOST, AS A RESULT OF (Check only one: () Enemy Aircraft; () Enemy Anti-Aircraft; () Other Circumstances as follows _____
- AIRCRAFT: Type, Model and Series Fortress; AAF Serial No. _____
- ENGINE(S): Type, Model and Series _____; AAF Serial No. (a) _____
(b) _____ (c) _____ (d) _____
- 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 _____
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 11 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	Status
1. Pilot	<u>RMC</u> Ward, P. J.	2nd Lt.	<u>0-795 157</u>	<u>MIA</u>
2. CP	Mondo, Walter J.	2nd Lt.	<u>0-740 875</u>	<u>KIA</u>
3. N	BEderman, Robert	2nd Lt.	<u>0-572 450</u>	<u>MIA</u>
4. B	Janicek, George J.	2nd Lt.	<u>0-735 958</u>	<u>KIA</u>
5. RO	Chiafari, Frank	T/Sgt.	32 414 759	<u>MIA</u>
6.	Lendum, Bert	T/Sgt.	32 393 571	<u>KIA</u>
7. BTG	Giamara, Nicholes D.	S/Sgt.	<u>6 907 387</u>	<u>KIA</u>
8. TG	Patton, William C.	S/Sgt.	<u>35 336 281</u>	<u>KIA</u>
9. WG	Jackson, John F.	S/Sgt.	<u>38 191 131</u>	<u>KIA</u>
10.	Holmes, J. L.	S/Sgt.		
11.				

12. IDENTIFY BELOW THOSE PERSONS WHO ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE LAST KNOWN LOCUS OF AIRCRAFT, AND CHECK APPROPRIATE COLUMN TO INDICATE BASIS FOR SAME:

ND, Hq AAF, Washington, Missing Air Crew Report.

Name in Full (Last Name First)	Rank	Serial Number	Contacted by Radio	Last Sighted	Saw Crash	Saw Forced Landing
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1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

13. IF PERSONNEL ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE SURVIVED, ANSWER YES TO ONE OF THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS: (a) Parachutes were used _____; (b) persons were seen walking away from scene of crash _____; or (c) any other reason (specify) _____

14. ATTACH EYEWITNESS DESCRIPTION OF CRASH, FORCED LANDING, OR OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES PERTAINING TO MISSING AIRCRAFT.

15. ATTACH AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH, MAP, CHART, OR SKETCH, SHOWING APPROXIMATE LOCATION WHERE AIRCRAFT WAS LAST SEEN.

16. ATTACH A DESCRIPTION OF THE EXTENT OF SEARCH, IF ANY, AND GIVEN NAME, RANK AND SERIAL NUMBER OF OFFICER IN CHARGE HERE _____

Date of Report _____

(Signature of Preparing Officer)

REMARKS: Raid on German port of Hamburg, other planes at Keil and Rostock, on the river of Elbe. The 544th Sq. loss of six ships.

Chiafari, Frank - 32 414 759 was buried in Cemetery, Special Section V-A, Comrades Grave at Hellgrund/Rad Oldesloe, Germany.