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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 air crew member is officially reported missing.

1. ORGANIZATION: Location, by Name Grafton-Underwood, England; Command or Air Force VIII; Group 384th; Squadron 544th; Detachment _____

2. SPECIFY: Place of Departure Grafton-Underwood, England; Course As Briefed
Target or Intended Destination Bohlen, Germany Type of Mission Combat

3. WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY AT TIME OF CRASH OR WHEN LAST REPORTED: 5;10 Undercast

4. GIVE: (a) Day 19 Month MAR Year 45; Time 1655; and Location Ostend, Belguim of last known whereabouts of missing aircraft,
(b) Specify whether aircraft was last sighted (X); Last contacted by radio ( ); Forced down ( ); Seen to Crash ( ); or Information not Available ( )

5. 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: A/C last observed over Ostend, Belguim, 11,000 ft on return from mission. A/C was under control.

6. AIRCRAFT: Type, Model and Series B-17-G; AAF Serial Number 44-8008

7. NICKNAME OF AIRCRAFT, If any None

8. ENGINES: Type, Model and Series _____; AAF Serial Number (a) SW-030192; (b) SW-027747; (c) SW-024351; (d) SW-030282

9. INSTALLED WEAPONS (Furnish below Make, Type and Serial Number);
(a) 601084 High S.; (b) 601257 High S.; (c) 1543080 GMC; (d) 1182674 Savage;
(e) 1180753 Sav.; (f) 1181485 Sav.; (g) 1182590 Sav.; (h) 1183611 Savage;
(i) 602847 High S.; (j) 604174 High S.; (k) _____; (l) _____;
(m) _____; (n) _____; (o) _____; (p) _____;

10. THE PERSONS LISTED BELOW WERE REPORTED AS: (a) Battle Casualty X
or (b) Non Battle Casualty

11. NUMBER OF PERSONS ABOARD AIRCRAFT: Crew 9; Passengers 0; Total 9
(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	Full Name (Last Name First)	Rank	ASN	Current Status
1. Pilot	Kramer, William Leo	1st Lt	0-774686	MIA
2 Co Pilot	Culhane, Emmett Patrick	2nd Lt	0-817393	MIA
3 Navigator	Feld, Charles Linwood	1st Lt	0-410939	MIA
4 Bombardier	Robitzki, Walter Stanley	2nd Lt	0-782894	MIA
5 Radio Operator	Brooks, William Ralph	T/Sgt.	19106319	MIA
6 Top Turret	Scrivner, Dwight A.	T/Sgt.	35803789	MIA
7 Ball Turret	Pfeiffer, Jack E.	S/Sgt.	35709304	MIA
8 Tail Gunner	Krauss, Keith A.	S/Sgt.	19094060	MIA
9 Waist Gunner	Lukosavich, Francis J.	S/Sgt.	33764121	MIA
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11.				

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

Name in Full (Last Name First)	Rank	Serial Number	Check Only One Column: Contacted by Radio	Last Sighted	Saw Crash	Saw Forced Landing
1. (None)						
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) ___

No chutes seen to emerge

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

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

16. GIVE NAME, RANK AND SERIAL NUMBER OF OFFICER IN CHARGE OF SEARCH, IF ANY, INCLUDING DESCRIPTION AND EXTENT

Date of Report 27 March 1945

J. R. Wyatt

(Signature of Preparing Office

J. R. WYATT,
Captain, Air Corps,
Asst. Adjutant.

17. REMARKS OR EYEWITNESS STATEMENTS:

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1. ORGANIZATION: LOCATION: Grafton-Underwood, England COMMAND OR AIR FORCE VIII
   GROUP 384th ; SQUADRON 544th ; DETACHMENT
2. SPECIFY: POINT OF DEPARTURE Grafton-Underwood, England ; COURSE As Briefed
   INTENDED DESTINATION Bohlen, Germany ; TYPE OF MISSION Combat
3. WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY AT TIME OF CRASH OR WHEN LAST REPORTED:
   5:10 Undercast
4. GIVE: (A) DATE 19 Mar 45 TIME 1655 ; AND LOCATION OF LAST KNOWN WHEREABOUTS OF MISSING AIRCRAFT Ostend, Belgium
   (B) SPECIFY WHETHER ( ) LAST SIGHTED: (X) LAST CONTACTED BY RADIO:
   ( ) FORCED DOWN: ( ) SEEN TO CRASH: OR ( ) INFORMATION NOT AVAILABLE.
5. 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: A/C last observed over Ostend, Belgium. 11,000 ft on return from mission. A/C under control.
6. AIRCRAFT: TYPE, MODEL AND SERIES B-17-G ; AAF SERIAL NO. 44-6008
7. ENGINES: TYPE, MODEL AND SERIES ; AAF SERIAL NO. (A) SW-030292
   (B) SW-027747 (C) SW-024351 (D) SW-030282
8. INSTALLED WEAPONS (FURNISH BELOW MAKE, TYPE AND SERIAL NUMBER
   (A) 601084 Mch S. (B) 601257 Mch S (C) 154,3080 G.C (D) 1182674 Savage
   (E) 1180753 Sav. (F) 1181485 Sav. (G) 1182590 Sav. (H) 1183611 Savage
9. THE PERSONS LISTED BELOW WERE REPORTED AS: (A) BATTLE CASUALTY X (1) 602347 Mch S
   OR (B) NON-BATTLE CASUALTY (1) 604174 Mch S
10. NUMBER OF PERSONS ABOARD AIRCRAFT: CREW 9 : PASSENGERS 0 : TOTAL
    (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	Kramer, William Leo	1st Lt	O-774686	DED
(2) CO-PILOT	Culhane, Emmett Patrick	2nd Lt	O-817393	DED
(3) Navigator	Fell, Charles Linwood	1st Lt	O-410939	DED
(4) Bombardier	Robitzki, Walter Stanley	2nd Lt	O-782894	DED
(5) Radio Oper.	Brooks, William Ralph	T/Sgt	19106319	DED
(6) Top Turret	Scrivner, Dwight A.	T/Sgt	35803789	DED
(7) Ball Turret	Pfeiffer, Jack E.	S/Sgt	35709304	DED
(8) Tail Gunner	Krauss, Keith A.	S/Sgt	19094060	DED
(9) Waist Gunner	Lukosavich, Francis J.	S/Sgt	33764321	DED
(10)				
(11)				

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

NAME IN FULL (LAST NAME FIRST)	RANK	SERIAL NUMBER	CONTACTED BY RADIO	LAST SIGHTED	SAW CRASH	SAW FORCED LANDING
(1) (None)						
(2)						
(3)						

12. 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) No chutes seen to emerge
13. ATTACH EYEWITNESS DESCRIPTION OF CRASH, FORCED LANDING, OR OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES PERTAINING TO MISSING AIRCRAFT.
14. ATTACH AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH, MAP, CHART, OR SKETCH, SHOWING APPROXIMATE LOCATION WHERE AIRCRAFT WAS LAST SEEN.
15. ATTACH A DESCRIPTION OF THE EXTENT OF SEARCH, IF ANY, AND GIVE NAME, RANK AND SERIAL NUMBER OF OFFICER IN CHARGE.

27 March 1945
(Date of Report)

/s/ J. R. Wyatt
(Signature of Preparing Officer)
J. R. WYATT,
Captain, Air Corps,
Asst. Adjutant.

REMARKS: (Use additional sheet if necessary)
Prepared by Memorial Division, OQMG

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S-2 SUMMARY OF EYE-WITNESS ACCOUNTS

Instructions; 1. If aircraft returned, only questions 6 and 7 are applicable. 2. Question number 5 not applicable to Fighter Groups. 3. Summary will be prepared in five copies, four of which will be forwarded. 4. Interrogating Officer will sign original and second copy.

GROUP 384th SQ 544th A/C # 44-8008 MISSION DATE 19/3/45

FIRST PILOT WILLIAM L. KRAMER 1st Lt. O-774686 DESTINATION BOHLEN, GER.
NAME RANK SER#

1. Position of missing aircraft when last sighted or contacted:

(a) By coordinates _____

SEE #7 ON REVERSE (b) Approximate altitude _____

SIDE (c) Last noted heading _____

(d) If out of formation, approximate distance from formation _____

2. Describe enemy opposition (intensity of flak, intensity and method of enemy fighter attack, etc., with particular reference to missing aircraft

No E/A opposition.

1 burst of accurate flak reported at target.

3. Description of extent of damage to missing aircraft (including fires, explosions, etc):

No damage observed - see #7 on reverse side.

4. If aircraft was out of control describe appearance:

See #7 on reverse side.

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5. If distressed aircraft was out of formation was it last seen with escort? NO If, so, give distiguishing markins of Fighter Group if noted (Group number, color and or fighter aircraft numbers, nicknames, etc.).

6. Number of parachutes seen and description of jumps (approximate altitude, time between jumps, etc.):

NONE

7. Any other remarks not covered by above:

A/C 8008 was last observed over OSTEND, BELGIUM, 11,000 Feet, on return from the mission. Aircraft was observed under control and it was presumed that aircraft landed on the continent. Nothing further heard.

8. Date of report 24 March, 1945.

EYE-WITNESSES:	NAME	RANK	SER #	A/C #
1.	None			
2.				
3.				
4.				

INTERROGATING OFFICER (Sign Original and one copy):

John F. Meeth

JOHN F. MEETH	1st Lt.	0874876	S-2
NAME	RANK	SER #	DUTY

NOTE: Supplemental information developing subsequent to this account will b forwarded in manner prescribed in par 6, letter WD, AG, 704 (5 July 44) OB-S-AAF-M, subject "Missing Air Crew Report", 7 July 1944.

1 Incl. (Statement)

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CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Your name _____ Rank _____ Serial No. _____

2. Organization _____ Gp Commander _____ Rank ____ Sqn CO _____ Rank _____
(full name) (full name)

3. What year _____ month _____ day _____ did you go down?

4. What was the mission, _____ , target, _____ , target time, _____ , altitude, _____ route scheduled, _____ _____ , route flown _____

5. Where were you when you left formation? _____

6. Did you bail out? _____

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". _____
_____
_____
_____

9. Where did your aircraft strike the ground? _____

10. What members of your crew were in the aircraft when it struck the ground? (Should cross check with 8 above and individual questionnaires) _____
_____
_____

11. Where were they in aircraft? _____

12. What was their condition? _____

13. When, where, and in what condition did you last see any members not already described above? _____
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_____
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_____

14. Please give any similar information on personnel of any other crew of which you have knowledge. Indicate source of information. _____
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Russell (Any additional information may be written on the back)
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S/ Sgt Keith A. Krauss	Mrs. Hazel D. Krauss, (Mother) Rt Number One Box 24 San Jacinto, California
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