

# 8TH AIR FORCE



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| German registration:<br>MACR No.    KU 1912  | 4947  | Service No | Rank    | Name  | Duty                  |               |
|--|---|------------|---------|---|-----------------------|---------------|
| Date   | 19 May 1944   | 0-812664   | 1st Lt. | Rupert, Martin D.   | Pilot                 | MIA           |
| Type of Aircraft   | B-17 G  | 0-797607   | 1st Lt. | Raring, John J.   | Co-Pilot              | MIA           |
| Serial No.   | 42 - 38191  | 0-702439   | 2nd Lt. | James, Greek R. Jr.   | Navigator             | MIA           |
| Group/Squadron   | 100 BG/350 BS   | 0-761287   | 2nd Lt. | Barbour, Lynn H.  | Bombardier            | POW           |
| Code Letters/Markings  |   | 15195875   | T/Sgt.  | Hawk, Ralph G.  | Radio Op.             | MIA           |
| Mission/No.  | Bombing   | 31219557   | T/Sgt.  | Cole, Herbert H.  | Engineer              | MIA           |
| Target   | Berlin  | 20761129   | S/Sgt.  | McNeer, Cecil J.  | Ball Turret<br>Gunner | MIA           |
| AF Station   | Thorpe Abbots,<br>Norfolk. 139  | 33501720   | S/Sgt.  | Hick, Thomas E.   | Right Waist<br>Gunner | KIA<br>Sandby |
| Location of Crash: Baltic Sea some ten<br>miles south of Rødbyhavn, Laaland Island,<br>Denmark at 1520 hours.  |   | 11107600   | S/Sgt.  | Haswell, Charles L.   | Left Waist<br>Gunner  | KIA<br>Rødby  |
| German Grid Map Square 15N SC 6  |   | 33003367   | S/Sgt.  | Hohman, William P.  | Tail<br>Gunner        | MIA           |
| A/C last sighted at 1518 hours at<br>54°35'N/11°10'E.  | A/C 191 was shot down by enemy aircraft on their first pass through our formation at 1518 hours. It went down under control |            |         |   |                       |               |
| 2/10 to 5/10 cumulus clouds.<br>Rødbyhavn:   | circling to the right. Six chutes came out as A/C went down. When last seen all props were turning and there was no smoke   |            |         |   |                       |               |
| In the afternoon 3 A/C observed crashing<br>in the Baltic Sea. One severely wounded<br>airman, the only survivor of an A/C,<br>rescued by a Danish fishing boat and taken<br>to the hospital at Nakskov. | foming from the A/C.  |            |         | Claude L. Hosford Jr.<br>Captain, Air Corps<br>Assistant Adjutant |                       |               |

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