

History of the 488th Bomb Squadron

March 1945

I. Losses in action: Officers and men

(a) Killed.

William B. Pelton
Arthur L. Allen
Arthur J. Bertagna
Walter F. Ziegler
Robert G. Schlittler
Lawrence W. Kahl

(c) Missing

John P. Wilkinson
Robert J. Brown
Blaine G. Thompson
Paul M. Zick
James H. Cardwell
Richard NMI Miller

James E. Jacobs
Hardy D. Narron
George W. Hammond
Jack B. Willingham
Medard R. Tagoya
Melvin E. Kelley

Emmett W. Hughes
Victor M. Ramirez
Joseph S. Byrd
Richard K. DeMers
Richard NMI Mautner
Norman N. Lattner

j. Personnel who have distinguished themselves in action

John M. Williamson
John F. Turnbull
William F. Fey
Jess H. Gifford
Remer L. Harding
Carl W. Hathaway
Edwin J. Kirk
John D. Kroening
William Y. Simpson
Bill Tarter

Arthur W. Ahonen
William J. Bray
Lawrence E. Hoffman
Norman J. Gilson

Special Orders:

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Edward J. Glynn

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John B. Matthews, Jr.
William C. Coleman
Germain C. Giner, Jr.
Bobby H. martin
Hammond L. Livingston
Keneth S. Knutson
Andrew J. Price

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Paul M. Zick
Earl W. Nugent
Richard L. Shaffer

Squadron Orders:

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Ellis M. Holtz is appointed flight commander, Saleem Aswad transferred

Neal D. Hallmark is appointed flight commander, Henry C. Gross transferred.

Howard C. McElroy is appointed operations officer, Robert C. Bachtell relieved

Carl W. Hathaway is appointed squadron navigation officer, William Duda transferred.

Edward J. Glynn is appointed squadron intelligence officer, Everett B. Thomas transferred.

Charles J. Cover is appointed malaria control officer

[Many of these same events are also recounted in the War Diary of the 340th Bombardment Group HQ Squadron, though from a different perspective. The HQ diary can be found here:

http://57thbombwing.com/340th_History/340thGroupHistory.php

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