

PERSONNEL RECORD UPDATE

306th BOMB GROUP ASSOCIATION

Complete as much of this form as you wish, and return to Russell A. Strong, Secretary, 306th BG Association, 5323 Cheval Place, Charlotte, NC 28205.

Date completed 7 MARCH 94

LAST NAME: ELKINS FIRST NAME: DARRELL MI: — TITLE:

Street address: RT 1 BOX 630 Telephone: (605) 966-5756

City, State, Zip: JEFFERSON S. DAK zip + 4: 57038-9543

Date of birth: 11-12-14

Wife's name: PEGGY B ELKINS

College(s) attended:

Degree(s):

Year(s):

Last employment & job title & retirement date:

SWIFT + CO - 1974 STA. ENG. - FARMING 1985

Reunions attended: NONE

Serial #: 37113726 <sup>16</sup> Squadron: 367 Specialty: ORD. BOMBS  
<sub>FEB</sub>

Date joined 306th: 1942

If combat, what crew:

Special duties or assignments w/306th: ORDINANCE

Number of missions flown: —

Date of last mission: —

Date left 306th: 1945

Highest rank/grade w/306th:

Other 8th AF units served with:

SGT.

367<sup>TH</sup> Bomb Squadron

Top service assignment after 306th:

USAF retirement date: 29 Sept 45

Rank/grade: Sgt.

Copies of old 306th orders, either from the Group or Station 111, or any of the squadrons or other units serving with the 306th, are sought by the secretary, as many of these do not appear in any collections of materials in Federal files:

If you know of others who served with the 306th who do not appear in the current directory, please add their names and current/WWII hometowns/or other addresses to the back of this sheet so that searches may be implemented to add them to our present 306th roster.

# Shall We Gather at the River



1 Shall we gath-er at the riv - er, where bright an-gel feet have trod,  
 2 On the mar-gin of the riv - er, wash - ing up its sil-ver spray,  
 3 Ere we reach the shin-ing riv - er, lay we ev-'ry bur-den down;  
 4 Soon we'll reach the shin-ing riv - er, soon our pil-grim-age will cease;



with its crys-tal tide for-ev - er flow-ing by the throne of God?  
 we will walk and wor-ship ev - er, all the hap-py gold-en day.  
 grace our spir-its will de-liv - er, and pro-vide a robe and crown.  
 soon our hap-py hearts will quiv - er with the mel-o - dy of peace.



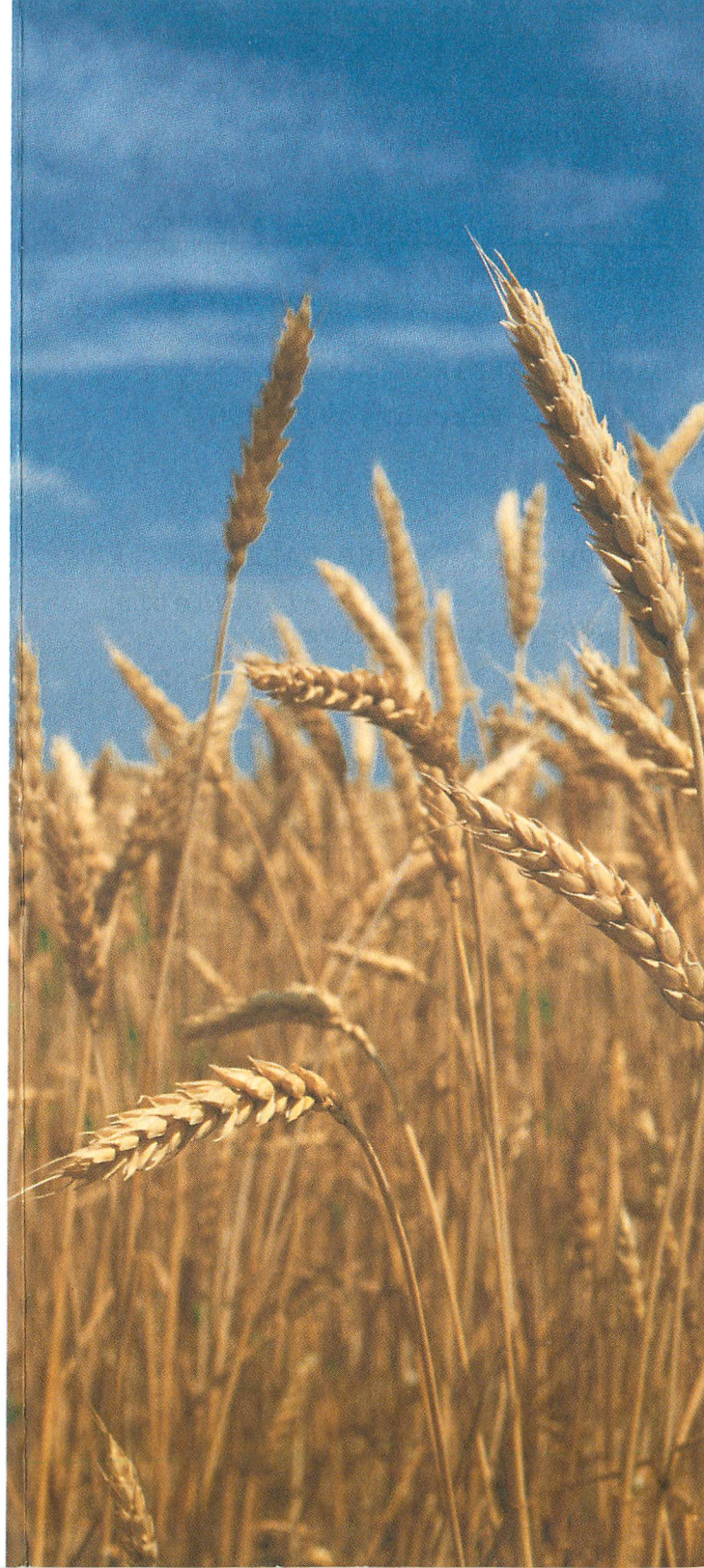
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Yes, we'll gath-er at the riv - er, the beau-ti-ful, the beau-ti-ful riv - er;



gath-er with the saints at the riv - er that flows by the throne of God.



## Treasured Seasons

*For everything there is  
 an appointed season,  
 And a time for everything  
 under heaven-  
 A time for sowing,  
 a time for reaping;  
 A time for sharing,  
 a time for caring,  
 A time for loving,  
 a time for giving;  
 A time for remembering,  
 a time for parting.  
 You have made everything  
 beautiful in its time  
 For everything You do  
 remains forever.*

**RIVERSIDE LUTHERAN CHURCH**

Sioux City, IA

Rev. Glenn Schacht, Pastor

Mrs. Marjory Goede - Organist

Service 2:00 P.M.

February 13, 1996

**FUNERAL SERVICE**

**FOR**

**DARRELL ELKINS**

**November 12, 1914 - February 9, 1996**

PRELUDE

SILENT PRAYER

ENTRANCE BLESSING & PLAYING OF THE PALL

OPENING HYMN Back of Bulletin  
**"Shall We Gather at the River"**

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SALUTATION & PRAYER (Please be seated after)

PSLAM FOR THE DAY Psalm 139:1-17

SCRIPTURE LESSONS Isaiah 40:27-31  
Romans 8:31-39  
John 12:23-26

SERMON Pastor Glenn Schacht

HYMN OF THE DAY Insert  
**"On Eagle's Wings"**

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CLOSING HYMN Insert  
**"Borning Cry"**

THE POSTLUDE

**PALL BEARERS**

Mike gustman, Tom Lewis, Ron Wheelock, Kelly George, Ron Pailsen, Dick Hummel, Joe Trudeau and John Trudeau.

**DARRELL ELKINS**



Darrell Elkins was born Nov. 12, 1914, in Sioux City. He graduated from Central High School in 1933 and worked for Swift & co. as a stationary engineer for 37 years, retiring in 1974. Mr. Elkins served in the United States Air Force during World War II and was stationed in Thurligh, England, for three years. He

married Peggy B. Southby Feb. 24, 1945, in Bedford, England. The couple resided in McCook Lake, S.D. for 20 years. Mr. Elkins purchased a farm in rural Jefferson in 1966 and retired from farming in 1985.

Mr. Elkins was a member of Riverside Lutheran Church and the Phi Sigma Fraternity. He was a lifetime member of Veterans of Foreign Wars and the American Legion, and belonged to the Elk Point V.F.W. and Bert L. Smith Post 134, American Legion of Elk Point, where he served as chaplain for many years. He also managed the Bingo kitchen for the American Legion. Mr. Elkins joined the Siouxland Ski Club when he was 65, and was a member of the Jefferson Chamber of Commerce. He was past president of Dakota Dudes and Dolls Square Dancing Club.

Survivors include his wife; two sons, Darrell of Elk Point, and John and his wife Carol of Le Mars, Iowa; three daughters, Darlene Elkins of Jefferson, Janice and her husband Larry De Buhr of Canton S.D., and Sheryl Elkins of Elk Point; a daughter-in-law, Sis Elkins of Elk Point; and 11 grandchildren, Brian Scott, Aaron, Ann, Alexandrianna and Brody Elkins, and David and Jon Schuetz, and Melanie, Laurie and Travis De Buhr.

**HONORARY PALL BEARERS**

Ray Keuck, Dieter Hallwas, Brian Elkins, Scott Elkins, Aaron Elkins, Brody Elkins, David Schuetz, Jon Schuetz and Travis De Buhr.

Darrell helped load bombs at  
Shurleigh. He arrived at  
Shurleigh Sept 1942 and left  
Sept 1945. We have five  
children and eleven grand-  
children. He had cancer  
of the kidney and it went  
to the liver. Cancer took  
him in one year and he  
put up such a good fight  
not to leave the home he  
loved.

We attended the reunion in  
Des Moines Iowa and we  
enjoyed every minute of it.  
We bought your book - Darrell's  
picture was in it.

Dear Sirs, or Mr. Russell Strong.

I wish to inform you my husband passed away on February 9<sup>th</sup> 1996. He was a member of the 306 Squadron and was stationed at Turleigh for three years. I am a G.I. Bride from Bedford - we would have been married 51 years on February 24<sup>th</sup>.

I wish to inform you of my great loss.

Sincerely  
Peggy Ellis

Darrell Ellis  
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How strange - I still remember his number.

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