

A HISTORY OF THE 306th BOMBARDMENT GROUP - EIGHTH AIR FORCE  
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Service Record: Serial No(s) 39083390

Before joining the 306th:

Radio school - Sioux Falls South Dakota  
Sunnery school - Loreado Texas

After leaving the 306th: - advanced Radio + Navigation  
Air Corps - Ferry Division - F.T.C.

306th Record:

Arrival Date April - 44 Squadron or other unit 423 Bomb Sqd  
MOS 757 Combat Status Radio + Gunner  
Missions Completed 31-  
Promotions T/Sgt.  
Decorations 1 AM 4 olcs 1 DFC olcs SS DSM DSC MH SM  
PH Battle Stars 2 other

(OVER)

Other personal data:

Description of Air Missions:

(What were the highlights of your combat career? What was your role? What heroics did you witness? What events were there of which you have special knowledge?)

Picked up S.O.S. on Radio while returning from mission over North Sea. Reported to Debriefing officer. Air Sea Rescue went to Position reported and Picked up crew in water.

Princess Elizabeth visits Base to  
~~Christie~~ Christian new B.17- Rose of York,  
Booby Trap. Bombs going off at the base.

AIR TRANSPORT COMMAND  
PACIFIC DIVISION, WEST COAST WING  
1503D AAF BASE UNIT  
Hamilton Field, California

201

24 November 1945

SUBJECT: Commendation

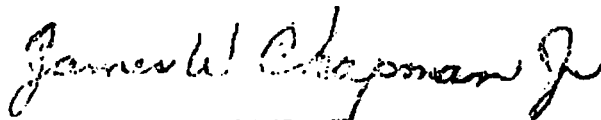
TO : T/SGT PAOLINI, RAYMOND  
GENERAL DELIVERY, VACAVILLE, CALIF.

1. Attached hereto find commendations from General George C. Kenney, Commanding General of the FEAF, Major General Wm Ord Ryan, Commanding General, Pacific Division, ATC, and Brig. Gen. E. H. Alexander, Commanding General, Southwest Pacific Wing, with indorsements by Major General Ryan and Brig Gen D. C. Strother, Commanding General, West Coast Wing. It is indeed gratifying to receive such letters as these three, and it is, therefore, with a great deal of pride that I add my commendation for the very important part you played in the so-called Mission 75.

2. The very nature of the task, calling for quick but well-planned operation, reflects credit on each one of you who played an important role in this mission. Only the typically American adaptability to changing situations made such an undertaking possible. The long, tedious hours of planning by the Operations and Maintenance Sections, the discomforts, hazardous weather, and extended overwater flights by the flight crews was performed with the minimum amount of perplexity. The mere fact that this complicated and highly involved flight was handled as routine, in itself reflected the efficiency of this organization to the last man.

3. It is with pride that you can point to the part you played in the final phase of the World's greatest War. The expeditious manner in which this organization performed its task adds another laurel to which you can be justly proud.

4. These letters will be made a part of your permanent record.



JAMES M. DETERRY, JR.  
Colonel, Air Corps  
Commanding

3 Incls.

1. Ltr Gen Ryan
2. Ltr Gen Kenney
3. Ltr Gen Alexander

July 11 - 88

Friend

Cal. Callini Jr.

I have found another member of the 306 B.S. The was Jack Millette, Co. Pilot. Later had a crew of his own.

He is:

Malcolm Frazer 423 B.S.

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18851 Paradise Mountain Rd.

Valley Center

Escondido, Calif.

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From Raymond Paulini

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Sparks, Nevada 89431

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Doris Clark  
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Husband 36<sup>th</sup> &  
423<sup>rd</sup> S. (Deceased)