

4671 South Yates Street
Denver, Colorado 80236
July 6, 1971

Russel A. Strong
2041 Hillsdale
Kalamazoo, Michigan 49007

Dear Russ:

I have searched my 201 file and found only one Special Order from AAF Station III. It is SO #152, 7 June, 1944, and includes the names of your crew as well as mine so I suspect that you have that order. If perchance, you do not, let me know and I will make a photo copy for you.

Last time we met, I told you I had a picture of my crew but had been unable to find it. Well, it finally turned up. The crew members in the picture are as follows:

Standing:

SSG Francis J. Clayson	Radio Operator
Sgt Thomas F. Belcig	Armored Gunner
Pfc Tim L. Black	Ball Turret Gunner
Sgt Phillip Suntocky	Engineer - Gunner
Cpl John R. Cole	Tail Gunner
SSG Vernon R. DeLair	Engineer (not shown)

Kneeling:

2nd Lt George R. Broz	Pilot
2nd Lt William H. Lacy	Co- Pilot
2nd Lt Melvin E. Clark	Navigator
2nd Lt William B. Uhlhorn	Bombadier

NOTE: Bill Uhlhorn went down with #212 during our second or third mission and set out the war as a POW.

I'd appreciate the return of the picture after you have copied it.

Sincerely yours,


Mel E. Clark

Ret. 2/6/82

January 5, 1987

Dear Russ:

I have the addresses of two more crew members of George Broz' crew, 423rd Squadron, mid-1944.

They are:

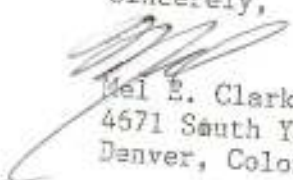
Frank Clayson - Radio Operator
4798 Tangerine Avenue
Winter Park, Florida 32792

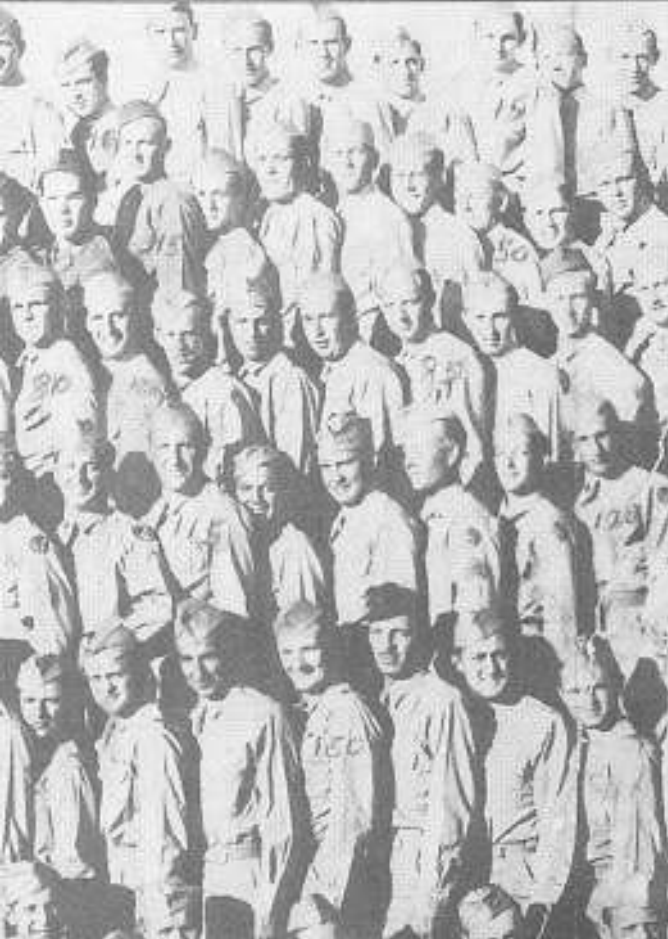
William Uhlhorn - Bombardier
2707 Mt. Vernon Drive
Dickinson, Texas 77539

Bill was flying as Bombardier on #212 (if I remember, correctly) in mid June, 1944, when it was shot down over France. He was a POW for some time, but I do not have the particulars and have just found his address. I've written to both men and told them I am giving you their addresses.

I would appreciate it if you would send them information about the Society and the date and place of our next reunion.

Sincerely,


Mel E. Clark
4671 South Yates
Denver, Colorado 80236



There may be no dues, BUT

It does take money to keep the 306th Association flying. Those who are able are asked to make an annual contribution to keep everything running smoothly. No one is dropped from the mailing list for non-payment! Your gift is tax deductible.

Please accept my gift to the 306th BG Association: \$ 50⁰⁰ ck

NAME Melvin E. Clark
13777A East Marina Drive
Aurora, CO 80014

Permanent Address
May thru December

STREET AND NO. Melvin E. Clark
CITY, STATE & ZIP 14213 Thunderbird Blvd
Sun City, Arizona 85351-2553

Winter Address
January thru April
306TH UNIT 1120⁵⁰

TELEPHONE NO.

Send to: **Robert N. Houser, Treasurer**
306th Bomb Group Association
P.O. Box 13362
Des Moines, IA 50310

4/15/99
DATE

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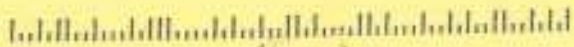
1 LNAME : Clark
2 FNAME : LTC Melvin E
3 ADDR1 :
4 ADDR2 : 13777A East Marina Dr
5 CITY1 : Aurora
6 STATE1 : CO
7 ZIP1 : 80014-3779
8 PHONE1 : (303)695-4246
9 ORG :
10 ORGAN : 423
11 ENTRYDATE : *Jan 9, 1941*
12 UPDATE : 04/01/1997
13 SPOUSE : Helen
14 OFF_MOS : 1034
15 OFF_SN : 0-692115
16 EM_MOS : AvnC Air Crew (Radio Operator) 20th
17 EM_SN : 16022345 *Transport Sqdn, Howard Fl.*
18 POW_CAMP : *Camp Java*
19 EVADEE :

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Russell A. Strong, Secretary
306th Bomb Group Association
5323 Cheval Place
Charlotte, NC 28205



PERSONNEL RECORD UPDATE

306th BOMB GROUP ASSOCIATION

Date: Dec. 12, 1994

Complete this form and return to Russell A. Strong, Secretary, 306th BG Assoc.,
5323 Cheval Place, Charlotte, NC 28205, to be filed with 306th records.

LAST NAME: CLARK FIRST NAME: Melvin MI: E. TITLE: Nav.

Street Address: 13777A East Marina Drive Telephone: (303)695-4246

City, State Denver, Colorado Zip + 4: 80014-3779

Winter Address: 14213 N. Thunderbird Blvd Telephone: (602)933-6752

City, State Sun City, Arizona Zip + 4: 85351

Date of birth: June 24, 1919 Wife's name: Helen #c 5
#gc 16
#ggc

College(s) attended: Sacramento State College Degree(s), & when: BA 1/25/52
University of Indiana MBA 6/9/58

Last employment & job title & retirement date:
University of Denver, Denver, CO - Director, Student Financial Aid
July 1, 1964

Serial #(s): 16022345 -0-692115 - A0-49351 Squadron: 423rd Specialty: Nav.
14422A

Date joined 306th: 5 June, 1944 If combat, what crew? #31
George Broz, Pilot

Special duties or assignments w/306th: None

No of missions flown: 34 * 1 Admin. Date of last mission: 17 Sept., '44

Date leaving 306th: 24 Sept., '44 Highest rank/grade w/306th: 1st Lt

Other 8AF units served with, and when: 310th Bomb Wing (SAC), Smokey Hill AFB
Salina, Kansas 1 July, 1953 to 29 October, 1956

Top service assignment/after 306th: OIC, Plans Branch, 310th Bomb Wing
Commander (PAS) AFROTC Det. 850, University of Utah
USAF retirement date: 1 December, 1964 Rank/grade: Lt. Col.

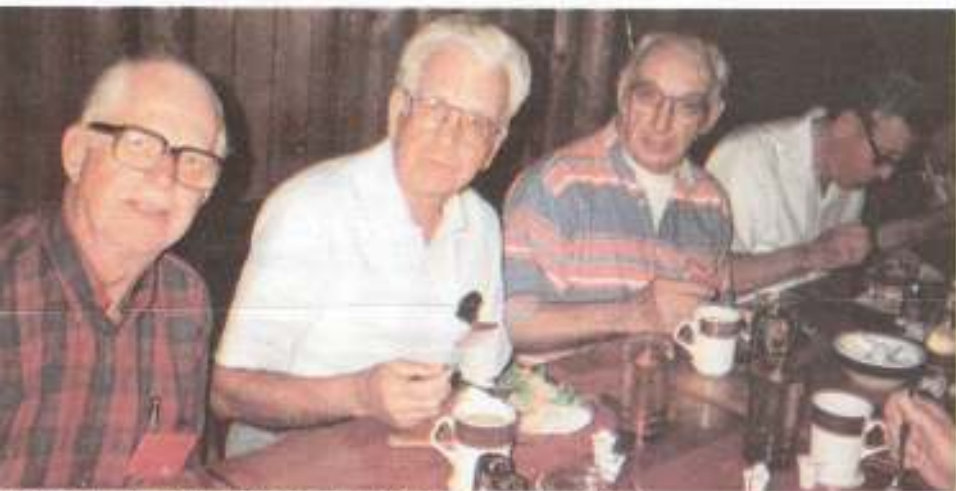
Copies of old 306th orders, either from the Group or Station 111, or any of
the Squadrons or other units serving with the 306th, are sought by the sec-
retary, as many of these do not appear in any collections of materials in
National Archives or the Air University.

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

Former President Donald R. Ross and Incoming President Dale Briscoe receive bound volumes of the four Squadron Diaries from Secretary Russell Strong in appreciation for their efforts in the Diary and Mission Report projects.



Waiting to be served at the Iowa Farm Dinner, but you can be sure that the demeanor of this group changed when the two-inch thick pork chops were served: Betty Damaso, Ann Tanno, Lou Damaso, Mary and Larry Connolly.

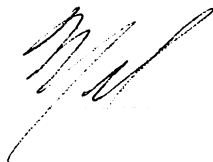


Lunching together were Nelson Ake, Bill Feeser and Paul Steels.

NOTE ON STATUS OF MEMBER: George R. Broz, Pilot of Crew No. 31
423rd Bomb Squadron, died at his home in
Stanford, Washington on 15 November, 1994

If you need any of the following Special Orders, let me know. I suspect that they are already in Association files as Russ Strong and I joined the 306th on the same orders.

SO 157	8th AF Replacement Depot, AAF Station 594	5 June, 1944
SO 152	Hq AAF Station 111	7 June, 1944
SO 193	Hq 8th AF (Promotion Orders)	19 July, 1944
SO 262	1st Bombardment Division (end of tour shipping orders)	18 Sept., 1944

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be 'M. J. Broz', is written over the right side of the list of Special Orders.