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From: Walter E. Correll

Ralph Bordenier (wife);

Well I've put off writing for ages-for why I don't rightly know, so here goes. First I or we must congratulate you on being the President of the organization this last year- you have worked hard I know.

My I finally got a letter from Reginald Thayer after all these years. He was one of our crew when we flew back to the United States.

It was quite a responsive, nice letter with pictures and which I was glad to get.

In the last Echoes was the last meeting report-in that they were looking for a reunion place. Well I have a letter from your Mr. Collings in which he states that the group will be at the 50th in Seattle, in the year of 1985 July. I'll send you a copy of the letter.

Mr Johnson is the representative for Boeing on this occasion, in which the Boeing has set aside some \$250,000.00 for a three day event.

They wish to know how many different groups were going to present-Or maybe I should say be there, so they can setup for the event properly.

A great number of the groups have already made there plans known to Boeing. Mr. wanted to know so I sent him a copy of the letter from Mr. Collings.

Now I am wondering if that is so and how many will attend, can you get Mr Johnson the information on this?

Will you give the Echoes my love for us -the old's-and keep up the good work - good health- happiness- and We hope to see you there.

P.S. There wasn't very many here at the flight this year 14 about 100, when the 306th has always been the biggest group-they put on a good show this time I didn't stay for any more, don't cotton up to such large outfit with no names or names-hope you understand.

Sincerely To you

Walter E. Correll  
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NAME WALTER PERRELL

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12/31/77 William D. Allen  
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Mr. Collins;

First I'd like to thank you and all that have done such a great job on the news letter paper of which keeps us so well informed, you've really, it well. My hats off to you and my heart is with you folks, and I'm feel a bit guilty for not writing sooner and sending some money to help sustain the ECHOES, so here is a small token as were no rich folks.

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Now I don't know who to give the credit to for this wonderful Directory 86, the pictures the layout and the work it must have taken to get all that together, I know that I sure do appreciate it. In fact I wished that I should have taken more pictures of the nose art of those planes. I flew a plane once that had dice on it I believe it was 7-11 of which I never see that nose any where.

**BOARD MEMBERS**

Martin Goodman  
 401st Bomb Group

Walter Correll  
 306th Bomb Group

Frank Pegueros  
 381st Bomb Group

It was a sub because our engines would no come up to parr. I remember this because it was an old crate with 925 hrs on all engines which blew my mind at the time, it also had no heaters, what a mission with only three electric muff on the whole ship so we who flew the ship used one between us, while one flew the other used the muff back and forth it went, and of course it had to be one of those cold ones.

**FORMER**

**COMMANDERS**

James B. Robertson  
 William D. Allen

Dick Whittington  
 Arvin McCauley

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Well enough of this jibberish and with great thanks to you for you continued efforts in our behalf--Thank you

Walter E. Correll  
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*Checked by  
 Wery 4/14/86*

# 3227

Walter Correll

28 May 1989

Dear Walt:

I am writing to offer my condolences to you in this time of great sorrow. The loss of a wife is indeed one of the greatest tragedies which man is called upon to face.

You know that your many friends in the 306th will be saddened by Velma's passing.

News travel in mysterious ways. Paul Sink of Los Angeles tried to contact me, and I found on my phone recorder a message from a 483rd BG member, whom Sink had called after failing to reach me. My new 8th friend told me only this afternoon when I returned his call.

I do hope, Walt, that you will seek to extend your fellowship with the 306th men you have known over the years, and that we will see you at future reunions.

Sincerely yours,

CORRELL, WALTER E.  
Pilot.

2nd Lt.  
O-760725

368th  
306th


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Sept	8,	1944.	1	Ludwigshaven, Germany.	8:0
	12		2	Kassel, Germany.	9:00
Oct.	2,	1944.	Spars		4:30
	19		3	Koln, Germany.	7:00
Nov.	29,	1944.	4	Misburg, Germany.	7:30
Dec	6,	1944.	5	Merseberg, Germany. ✓	8:45
	29		6	Bingen, Germany.	7:10
Jan	3,	1945.	7	Hermulheim, Germany.	7:30
Feb	23,	1945.	8	Flauen, Germany.	11:00
	24		9	Hamburg, Germany.	7:45
	26		10	Berlin, Germany.	9:10
	28		11	Hagen, Germany.	8:10
Mar	1,	1945.	12	Neckarsulm, Germany.	8:25
	2		13	Bohlen, Germany.	10:30
	4		14	Ulm, Germany.	6:00
	7		15	Giessen, Germany. ✓	8:30
	8		16	Gelsenkirchen, Germany. ✓	6:45
	10		17	Dortmund, Germany. ✓	7:00
	11		18	Bremen, Germany. ✓	7:15
	12		19	Swinemunde, Germany.	10:15
	14		20	Hildesheim, Germany.	8:10
	17		21	Molbis, Germany.	9:35
	18		22	Berlin, Germany. ✓	9:10
	19		23	Flauen, Germany. ✓	9:20
	24		24	Hespe, Germany.	6:20
	25		Recall		2:05
	28		25	Berlin, Germany. ✓	7:20
	30		26	Bremen, Germany.	7:30
Apr	7,	1945.	27	Wesendorf, Germany.	9:50
	10		28	Oranienburg, Germany. ✓	9:05
	11		29	Kraiburg, Germany.	9:30
	13		30	Neumanster, Germany. ✓	7:45

257:50

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

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RICHARD NICKELHOFF,  
Captain, AG,  
Ass't Opns Officer,  
306th Bomb Gp (H).

Robert All Hours, Keep up the good work & do enjoy  
the 3rd 2 books very much.

I never hear from any of the old gang any  
more. Think of those times often and how  
great those days were and how did we  
ever come out alive. Its all history  
now - this new generation never heard of  
a B-17 - What war was that?

Russ  
I enjoyed reading  
this.  
BR

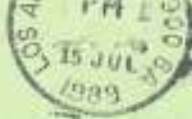
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## 306th BOMB GROUP PILOT SURVEY

NAME Walter E. CorrellDate of arrival w/306th July 2 44If you arrived as a Co-Pilot, were you ever checked out  
as a First Pilot? Yes with Cap CleysNumber of Missions flown 30 Rank on leaving 306th 2nd Lt.Were you a Flight commander? NOOther assignments w/306th Group Photographer on one Miss.Date of last mission and/or date of leaving 306th July 13 45Who was your Pilot/Co-Pilot? Robert EdwardsWhat is that person's present status? alive





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