

PERSONNEL RECORD UPDATE

306th BOMB GROUP ASSOCIATION

Date: 8/20/96

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: DOWNING FIRST NAME: BOBBY MI: J. TITLE:

Street Address: 509 137th N.W. Telephone: (405) 223-5305

City, State: ARDMORE, OK 73401 Zip + 4: \_\_\_\_\_

Winter Address: Telephone: ( )

City, State Zip + 4: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of birth: 4/12/21 Wife's name: JANICE #c #gc #ggc

College(s) attended: NONE Degree(s), & when:

Last employment & job title & retirement date: CO-OWNER COMMERCIAL PRINTING FIRM - 1983

Serial #(s): 18162519 Squadron: 423 Specialty: LOBIST FOWER

Date joined 306th: 1943 If combat, what crew? REPLACEMENT TO 1ST L/D. RODMAN - ORIGINAL CREW F/O M. COOK

Special duties or assignments w/306th:

No of missions flown: SHOT DOWN FIRST MISSION Date of last mission: 8/10/43

Date leaving 306th: Highest rank/grade w/306th: S/SGT

Other 8AF units served with, and when:

Top service assignment after 306th:

USAF retirement date: Oct '45 Rank/grade: T/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 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 implemented to add them to our present 306th roster.

THANKS FOR THE INFORMATION ON THE OCT. 8-43 MISSION. SINCE I WAS SHOT DOWN ON THE FIRST MISSION I REALLY DIDN'T KNOW WHAT WAS GOING ON IN THE GROUP OR SQUADRON. SPENT ABOUT 19 MONTHS IN STALAG 17B

Thanks Bob Downing