

RECORDS UPDATE

306th BOMB GROUP ASSOCIATION

(Please complete as much of this form as you wish to, fold and mail as per address on reverse side. Or, if obtained at a reunion, hand to Russ Strong)

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DATE JOINED 306th ASSOCIATION:

REUNIONS ATTENDED: (Years) FT Worth, Colorado, DC

WIFE'S NAME: Eileen

LAST EMPLOYMENT: Director Management Planning State Farm Ins

COLLEGE(S) ATTENDED: DEGREE(S): DATE:

1 1/2 years UCLA before going into aviation cadets
FINISHED AT Univ of California at Berkeley 1948 BS

SERIAL #: 0 769 068 SQDN: 367 th MOS:

DATE ARR: CREW: Gordon Donkin

DATE DEPARTED: 6/29/44 HIGHEST RANK IN 306th:

SERVICE RETIREMENT DATE: Feb 10, 1945 RANK or GRADE: 1st Lt

DECORATIONS WITH 306TH: DFC Air Medal 4 cl

TOP SERVICE ASSIGNMENT AFTER 306TH: At Modac A F Base worked in B29 developing new bombing tables by dropping bombs from over 30000 feet. Last bomb from over 3000 feet 40 ft short of target.

SPECIAL ASSIGNMENTS WITH 306TH:
Per letter in file from Donald Ross
I flew 14 lead bombardier 14 plus 1 dep lead. short of target.
40th wing once group 6 times.

QUESTIONNAIRE

total 30 ~~QUESTIONS~~ PARACHUTE CLUB - IRVING CHUTE COMPANY

NAME: n/a

Is check a tax deductible item?

COMBAT JUMP DATE & MISSION:

HEIGHT WHEN BAILED OUT:

ANY PROBLEMS WITH PARACHUTE:

306th Bombardment Group. SQDN:

January 14, 1987

Dear Russ,

It seems like a long time since I sent you any money for Echoes so please find enclosed a check. I truly enjoy receiving each issue. I misplaced my directory so I have enclosed an extra \$5 for another copy if you have one around .

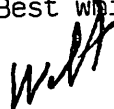
Yesterday I visited with an old friend who was in the navy air force during WW2. Like us they have reunions. At their reunions they hand out souvaners for example engraved wine glasses , drink glasses etc . The engraving gives the date and location of the reunion and the name of the unit. I think that somthing similar would be great for us. Can you get this into the right hands? I plan on being in Washington DC for our next reunion in spite of my Parkinson.

Any chance of finding an old Norden Bomb sight to put on display at the reunion? I sure would like to see one

Another thing they do at the navy reunion is to take an individual picture of each member as he checks in at registration. Then you can buy as many as you are interested in. In addition to the group picture of the fellows they take a group picture of the wives.

I have followed with interest Rose of York story. I was there that day and as I remember it the king walked around to the door back by the tail. He apparently was going to get into the fuselage. In trying he barked his shin on the bottom of the door opening. It apparently hurt as he looked as if he was saying a few strong words under his breath.

Best wishes for a good 1987,



Walter Guy

1 February 1987

Dear Walt:

Good to hear from you. I missed you at the Dayton reunion.

I'll take your ideas along to Washington with me this next weekend. They are progressing well on their planning, and I expect we will have another bang-up gathering, perhaps much larger.

As to a bomb sight, I am rather doubtful. There was one at Dayton, and perhaps one will show up again. We saw them at the Air Museum, but it seems to me there was one at the hotel, as well. I'll inquire.

Our registrations have tended to either be too well organized to get pictures, or too confused to do anything, or too informal. Besides, the period of registration is spread out over at least two days, which offers complications as well.

Hope you can make it to Washington.

All the best,



May 25, 1991

Editor 306th Echoes

I read with interest your story, Seven Officers On
Led Crew.

I was on my first and only tour when Hanson, Osburn
were on their second tours. Probably some of the
others were also on second tours. There were several
in the 367 who for varying reasons volunteered
for second tours. To me it has the makings of
a good story. . Don Ross should have some if not
all of the info. Another story was the mission where
the 8th returned and found all of England
except for 4 bases closed. When we landed there
3 planes on the runway as we touched down. The kick
however was when the base commander returned and
found that his mess sgt. had feed the steak to us
visitors.

Please excuse the typing but over 20 years of Parkinson
has removed the dexterity I had as a lead bombardier.
Keep up the good work. Would you like to get a
box of my WW2 material--orders, training material,
bulletins etc. If so let me know. I only request
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you share with the folks of Bombardier. I came over with the Gordon Donkin crew. We left NYC on June 6 or 7⁵ where in the group shortly after.

I quickly got tired of togaling my bombs out and asked for a chance to lead. After some training the group's 2nd anniversary in England came up.

The group started to party scotch, beer and girls from all over was and were in great supply. . Suddenly orders came in putting ^{us} on duty again and ordered to fly in the next day's mission. Dolittle's chief of staff was there and phoned HQ TO REPORT ON THE CONDITION OF THE MEN AND TO RECONSIDER. The answer was to get the number of planes over the target the 306th had to fly. Close the bar and get the men to bed.

I was approached by the group or squadron bombardier and was told it was my big chance I could lead a squadron tomorrow. The next day most of us were on pure oxygen from the ground up. The general observation was that never before or after did the group fly such a tight and well positioned group. Everyone was afraid of the possibility of collision

Sincerely,

Walter

Walter Guy