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OBITUARIES

GERALD W. WALCZAK, 423rd tailgunner (WILBUR SCHULTZ (deceased) crew) died March 28, 1995 in Milwaukee, WI from cancer. He had retired as a Dispensing Optician in 1986 and was an avid swimmer. He served as an aerial gunnery instructor at Las Vegas Nevada's Aerial Gunnery School prior to his combat duty. Gerry and crew bailed out February 9, 1945 returning from a mission to LUTZKENDORF, Germany. The plane was on fire after receiving heavy flak damage over the target. All of the crew landed safely near the front lines and were moved to Liege and later back to Thurleigh. He leaves wife, TONI, three children and five grandchildren.

Russell:
Enclosed is an obituary notice of one of our crew. I obtained the information from his wife, Toni. I attempted to provide the information to you per your latest format in the 306th Echob. Your continued excellent work as well as that of the other board members is appreciated. Continued health and satisfaction from your work.

Ernest Uptegrove
P.S. Russell, I had so much respect for Gerry, I ~~had~~ named my son after him.