

This wartime crew photo was received previously. 2/Lt Lucky F Moorehead-C/P, 1/Lt George W Adams-B, Ranson E Roth-N, T/Sgt John T Kinsky-E, Raymond T Cromer-U/G, S/Sgt Ward L Martin-T/G, Clarence P Konertz-B/G, T/Sgt William G Freeman-R/O, S/Sgt Robert J Pearson-U/G. Maj. James C Langdon is not shown.

bud484BG@aolcom Dear Bud,

My father, James Perkins Lyle, was commander of the 827th Bombardment Squadron in Italy during the war. After the war, he stayed in the military and eventually rose to the rank of Col. He was killed in a military plane crash in 1967. The reason I am writing is to ask if you or anyone in your organization has any information that you would like to share with me.

Best wishes, James Louis Lyle Re: 827th Sq. CO jlyle@DHVX2O.CSUDH.EDU

Dear James:

This is in reply to your E-Mail regarding information on your father, James Perkins Lyle. He won the DFC 9/44. Flew his last mission with the 484th on 12/18/44. Flew 28 missions as Plane Commander. He was one of several squadron commanders of the 827th Squadron, 484th Bomb Group. On some of these missions, 1 have lists of the whole crew. He held the rank of Major.

Bud Markel, President and Founder 484th BG Assn.

Redlands, CA Dear Bud:

I haven't kept up with the old army gang, Harold had several strokes, and passed away in July 97, he hadn't known me for nearly two years.

I'm living with my oldest daughter and working in the medical center as a file clerk. I have two kittens to keep me company. I've been out here about two years. It was too much to keep up the place in Florida. I have a sister and nieces around

here in Redlands where I spent Thanksgiving with them. Time goes on.

I often think back to the good times and forget the bad. I was looking at the pictures of our last reunion in San Antonio. Those were the good times.

Margaret Miller

Editor's Note:

Harold and Margaret Miller were long time members of the Association from the 461st BG.



Ed Nesheim shows he can still get into his uniform

Williston, ND Dear Bud:

We've been trying to organize a Veterans Museum in Williston. We are trying to raise \$100,000 for the project. We do have General Patton's 6'2" uniform complete with pearl handled pistols for display.

Williston is where oil was first found in ND in 1951. It's mostly dried up now, but 75 miles south they are pumping 2000 barrels a day

Thanks Ed Neshieim. 824 Sq.

"B-24 crew honors 'Fearless' leader"

Reprinted From the Midland Reporter-Telegram article:

In the stormy skies over Europe during 1944, the 10-member Fearless Fowler air crew waged war for freedom in the spartan confines of a droning B-24 Liberator, a heavy four-engine bomber assigned to the United States Army Air Forces.

But when he wasn't flying, the crew's leader, the wiry Kansas farmer-turned-pilot, Lt. Floyd Fearless Fowler, sought out barroom brawls, particularly when he was tanked up on his favorite booze, I.W. Harper whiskey, which he called "One W. Harper"

"Fearless was quite a character," recalled Arthur "Artie" Shaw, a Midlander, who was the bombardier aboard Fowler's B-24, nicknamed "Duck."