

# 303rd BG(H) Combat Mission No. 217

3 August 1944

Target: Military Installation at Fresnoy, Crepieul & Fressin, France

Crews Dispatched: 39

Length of Mission: 4 hours

Bomb Load: 20 X 250 lb G.P. M57 bombs

Bombing Altitudes: 20,900, 25,000 & 24,000 ft

Ammo Fired: 0 rounds

**T**hree 303rd BG(H) Group formations bombed three separate military installation targets. All formations found cloudless target areas with visibility about ten miles in haze. No aircraft returned early.

The 303rd BG(H) formations dropped 250-lb. G.P. M57 bombs. The 358BS "E" formation dropped 260 bombs on Fresnoy with good results. The main target pattern was a little short of the target, but there were a number of hits in the target area. The 360BS "F" formation dropped 260 bombs on Crepieul. Bombs hit about one-and-one-half miles over the target. The 427BS "G" formation dropped 239 bombs on Fressin with good results.

The "E" Group saw no enemy aircraft and no flak; the "F" Group saw no enemy aircraft, but some meager and inaccurate flak; and the "G" Group saw one ME-262 jet aircraft just after the target, but weren't attacked and encountered no flak. All formations reported poor friendly fighter support. There was no battle damage or casualties and all aircraft returned safely to Molesworth.



**GEORGE E. BALTES CREW - 359th BS**

(crew assigned 359BS: 06 July 1944 - photo: Sioux City, IA, May 1944)

(Back L-R) Charles Lloyd Giltenboth (R), 2Lt George E. Baltès (P), 2Lt Robert A. Marble (CP),

2Lt Fred E. Glover (B), 2Lt Edward H. Macaulay (N), S/Sgt John J. Stenger, Jr. (E)

(Front L-R) Sgt Milton C. Kanz (BT), Sgt Austin C. Godsey (WG), Sgt Branislav B. Posluszny (TG)

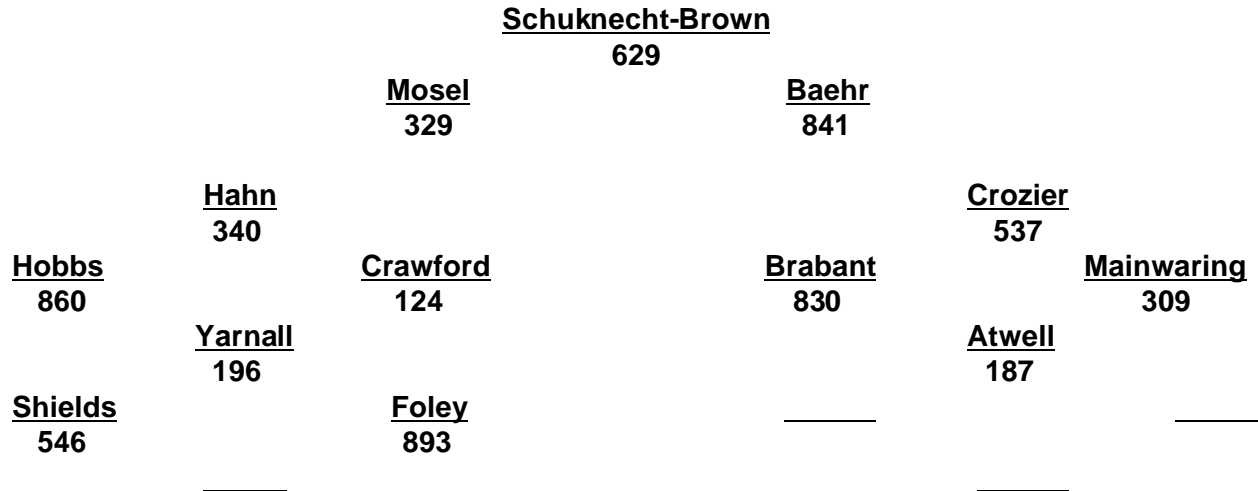
## Aircraft Formation at Assembly Point - Group A

		<u>Beiser-Fletcher</u> 311			
		<u>Heil</u> 027		<u>Ferguson</u> 9875	
	<u>Flowers</u> 597			<u>Baltes</u> 496	
<u>Drewry</u> 666		<u>Duncan</u> 569		<u>Whitlock</u> 405	<u>Gould</u> 944
	<u>Newton</u> 099			<u>Cureton</u> 411	
<u>Davis</u> 595		<u>Eisenwinter</u> 432	_____		_____
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## Aircraft Formation at Assembly Point - Group B

		<u>Benham-McNamara</u> 065			
		<u>Larson</u> 298		<u>Stark</u> 224	
	<u>Baker</u> 086			<u>Arnold</u> 484	
<u>Charnick</u> 085		<u>Paullin</u> 316		<u>Hillary</u> 177	<u>Jenkins</u> 076
	<u>Vermeer</u> 972			<u>Smithy</u> 590	
<u>Smith</u> 291		<u>White</u> 739	_____		_____
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# Aircraft Formation at Assembly Point - Group-C



## KEY TO ABBREVIATIONS

<p><b><u>CREW POSITIONS</u></b>          CMP - Command Pilot          P - Pilot          CP - Co-Pilot          NAV - Navigator          ANV - Ass't. Navigator          MNV - Mickey Navigator          ENG - Engineer          BOM - Bombardier          RO - Radio Operator</p>	<p>TOG - Toggler          BT - Ball Turret Operator          TT - Top Turret Operator          TG - Tail Gunner          NG - Nose Gunner          RG - Radio Gunner          WG - Waist Gunner          LWG - Left Waist Gunner          RWG - Right Waist Gunner          GUN - Gunner</p>	<p>VI - Voice Interpreter          OBS - Observer          PAS - Passenger          PHO - Photographer</p> <p><b><u>RESULTS OF MISSION</u></b>          KIA - Killed in action          WIA - Wounded in action          MIA - Missing in action          POW - Prisoner of war</p>	<p>DOW - Died of wounds          EVD - Evaded the enemy          INT - Interned in neu cntry          REP - Repatriated          RES - Rescued          ESC - Escaped          BO - Bailed out          DCH - Ditched          CR-L - Crashed on land          CR-S - Crashed at sea</p>
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## 358th Bombardment Squadron Crew Lists

### **B-17G #42-97085 (No Name)**

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P	Charnick, Roman P., 2Lt
CP	Satre, Leland H., 2Lt
NAV	Goldfield, Solomon, 2Lt
BOM	Roseland, Ralph A., T/Sgt
ENG	Carrissimo, Paul P., S/Sgt
WG	Herod, Francis G., Sgt
RO	Neidringhaus, Robert H., S/Sgt
TG	Schulz, Arthur W., Sgt
BT	Byrd, Fred O., Sgt

### **B-17G #43-37590 Neva-The Silver Lady**

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P	Smithy, Samuel C., 1Lt
CP	Boat, Ernest P., 2Lt
NAV	Joralemon, Lansing L., 2Lt
BOM	Klein, Robert J., 2Lt
ENG	Fisher, Raymond E. S/Sgt
WG	Bazo-Fontaneil, Juan A., Sgt
RO	Snoddy, Archie E., Sgt
TG	Bieranoski, Walter J., Sgt
BT	Politylo, Roman S., Sgt

### **B-17G #42-31739 Pugnacious Peter**

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P	White, Franklin F., 2Lt
CP	Petersen, John N., F/O
NAV	Kaufman, Seymour, F/O
BOM	Ross, Robert M., 2Lt
ENG	Adams, William J., S/Sgt
WG	Hein, Monroe C., Sgt
RO	Vesely, Henry L., S/Sgt
BT	Gilman, Frederick S., S/Sgt
TG	Campbell, James R., Sgt

### **B-17G #44-6086 My Blonde Baby**

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P	Baker, John M., 1Lt
CP	Markos, Carlos, 2Lt
NAV	Claeys, Ronald, 2Lt
BOM	Morris, Warren B., 2Lt
ENG	Johnson, Walter K., T/Sgt
TG	Peters, Archie D., S/Sgt
RO	Cottrell, Thomas B., Sgt
BT	Bertasso, Joseph S., Sgt
WG	Reichmann, Fred P., S/Sgt

### **B-17G #44-6316 (No Name)**

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P	Paullin, James R., 2Lt
CP	Hinton, William B., 2Lt
NAV	Hunt, John W., Jr., 2Lt
BOM	Simons, Robert A., 2Lt
ENG	Johnson, James P., S/Sgt
BT	Biestek, Stanley H., Sgt
RO	Thomas, Henry T., S/Sgt
WG	Woodward, Thomas J., Sgt
TG	Butler, Woodley O., Sgt

### **B-17G #42-31224 Hell in the Heavens**

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P	Stark, Donald D., 1Lt
CP	Conley, George L., 2Lt
NAV	Nelson, Richard G., 2Lt
TOG	Murphy, Joseph A., S/Sgt
ENG	Batten, Delmer G., S/Sgt
RO	Steinhagen, Joseph R., S/Sgt
TG	Morrow, James C., Sgt
BT	Richkind, Max, Sgt
WG	Eggink, James H., Sgt

## 358th Bombardment Squadron Crew Lists - Cont'd.

### **B-17G #42-97298 *The Floose***

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P	Larson, Oliver B., 2Lt
CP	Kersting, George B., 2Lt
NAV	Gard, John M., 2Lt
BOM	Draves, John J., 2Lt
ENG	O'Connor, Robert E., S/Sgt
BT	Sweeney, Charles R., Sgt
RO	Mullaney, Donald F., S/Sgt
WG	Holland, Huber D., Sgt
TG	Philson, Norbert M., Sgt

### **B-17G #43-38065 *Princess Pat 2***

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P	Benham, Phillip O., 1Lt
CP	McNamara, James F., Capt
NAV	Steely, Hobart H., Capt
BOM	Wilson, Claud, Jr., 1Lt
ENG	Van Drunen, Cornelius, T/Sgt
RO	Downs, Reginald, T/Sgt
TG	Dellinger, Lenoir E., S/Sgt
BT	Hill, Reginald L., S/Sgt
WG	Bonenberger, Robert E., S/Sgt

### **B-17G #44-6291 (No Name)**

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P	Smith, Alfred I., 2Lt
CP	King, Robert G., 2Lt
NAV	Jones, Emerson, 2Lt
BOM	Kemp, Stanley A., 2Lt
ENG	Harbarger, Martin M., S/Sgt
WG	Beres, Edward, Sgt
RO	Swanson, Richard A., Sgt
TG	Bruno, Sam S., Sgt
BT	Fischer, Jack D., Sgt

### **B-17G #42-97972 (No Name)**

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P	Vermeer, Bernard E., 1Lt
CP	Byrnes, James H., 2Lt
NAV	Connor, John P., 2Lt
TOG	Splawn, Elzie B., S/Sgt
ENG	Varvil, Willis E., S/Sgt
BT	Schley, John G., S/Sgt
RO	Moon, Charles E., S/Sgt
TG	Kennedy, Robert F., S/Sgt
RWG	Ferris, James H., Sgt

## 359th Bombardment Squadron Crew Lists

### **B-17G #44-6309 *Duchess' Granddaughter***

P Mainwaring, Charles O., 2Lt  
CP Bach, Harold J., 2Lt  
NAV Hammond, Raymond D., 2Lt  
BOM Stone, Leonard, 2Lt  
ENG Gauthier, Leon C., S/Sgt  
RO Tognetti, Paul A., S/Sgt  
BT Cottrell, Bert, Sgt  
TG Dittman, Robert J., Sgt  
WG Angeloff, James P., Sgt

### **B-17G #42-31405 *Wallaroo MK II***

P Whitlock, Garland M., 2Lt  
CP Ward, Duane G., 2Lt  
NAV Kelly, Thomas N., 2Lt  
BOM Scheibman, Herman B., 2Lt  
ENG Popovich, William G., Sgt  
RO Pomicter, Stanley, Jr., S/Sgt  
BT Boyle, Francis L., Jr., Sgt  
TG Gremillion, Raymond L., S/Sgt  
WG Harwat, Edward D., S/Sgt

### **B-17G #42-31177 *Lonesome Polecat***

P Hillary, Jack R., 2Lt  
CP Robertson, William III, 2Lt  
NAV Rice, John E., 2Lt  
BOM DeFilippis, Rocco, 2Lt  
ENG Paul, George E., S/Sgt  
RO Girman, Eugene E., S/Sgt  
BT Bishop, Neldon R., Sgt  
TG Watson, James R., Pvt  
WG Sanson, Harry R., Sgt

### **B-17G #44-6076 *Liberty Run***

P Jenkins, Harry F., 2Lt  
CP Blanchard, Samuel B., 2Lt  
NAV Nute, Gordon B., 2Lt  
BOM Protzman, John W., 2Lt  
ENG Gillespie, Norton A., S/Sgt  
RO Loosemore, Wesley G., S/Sgt  
BT Fydrychowski, John J., Sgt  
TG Cregan, John M., Sgt  
WG Allen, Charles G., Sgt

### **B-17G #42-97944 *Daddy's Delight***

P Gould, Graham C., 2Lt  
CP Lasker, Yale, 2Lt  
NAV Leigh, Thomas W., Jr., 2Lt  
BOM Reynolds, Ralph J., 2Lt  
ENG Mogck, Leonard, S/Sgt  
RO Anderson, Augustus C., S/Sgt  
BT Thompson, Val E., S/Sgt  
TG Gloria, Tony N., Sgt  
WG Bandy, Peter C., Sgt

### **B-17G #42-102496 *Special Delivery***

P Baltus, George E., 2Lt  
P Marble, Robert A., 2Lt  
NAV Macaulay, Edward H., 2Lt  
BOM Glover, Fred E., 2Lt  
ENG Stenger, John J., Jr., S/Sgt  
RO Giltenboth, Charles L., S/Sgt  
BT Kanz, Milton C., Sgt  
TG Posluszny, Branislaw B., Sgt  
WG Godsey, Austin C., Sgt

## 359th Bombardment Squadron Crew Lists - Cont'd.

### **B-17G #42-102484 *Heller's Angel***

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P Arnold, William J., 1Lt  
CP Chance, Arthur F., 2Lt  
NAV Claster, Stanley M., 2Lt  
BOM Callahan, Ellsworth D., 2Lt  
ENG Williams, Robert M., S/Sgt  
RO Moreira, Joseph A., S/Sgt  
BT McClure, James D., Sgt  
TG Surrell, John M., Sgt  
WG Lichtenwalter, Ralph W., Sgt

### **B-17G #42-31830 *Marie***

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P Brabant, Patrick H., 2Lt  
CP Judy, Ira J., 2Lt  
NAV Heatherly, Phillip P., 1Lt  
TOG Wolfe, Ralph E., S/Sgt  
ENG Hodge, Dona A., S/Sgt  
RO Rose, William A., Sgt  
BT Marquez, Robert P., Sgt  
TG Millek, John P., Sgt  
WG Valentine, Robert J., Sgt

### **B-17G #43-37537 *Queen of Hearts***

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P Crozier, Harry J., 1Lt  
CP Mowrey, Paul M., 2Lt  
NAV Kennedy, Clyde R., 2Lt  
TOG McCoy, Charles W., 2Lt  
ENG Passenant, Robert J., S/Sgt  
RO Hoyt, Robert B., S/Sgt  
BT Jara, Felix M., Sgt  
TG Stumpff, George W., Sgt  
WG Butcher, Robert C., Sgt  
WG Dolan, William J., 2Lt

## 360th Bombardment Squadron Crew Lists

### **B-17G #42-97329 *Flak Hack***

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P	Mosel, Arnold, 2Lt
CP	Freeman, Kenneth H., 2Lt
NAV	Strangohr, Bruce C., 2Lt
BOM	Rudolph, Gabriel, 2Lt
ENG	Conley, Donald H., S/Sgt
RO	Groth, Gerald J., S/Sgt
BT	Crawford, Frank J., Sgt
TG	Bialobrzkeski, Joseph C., Sgt
WG	Koshar, Jerome J., Sgt

### **B-17G #42-107196 *Tempress***

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P	Yarnall, Winfield L., 1Lt
CP	Bertich, Louis A., 2Lt
NAV	Sanford, Isaac N., 2Lt
BOM	Britter, Harry B., 2Lt
ENG	Fidares, Anthony, S/Sgt
RO	Baker, Albert W., S/Sgt
BT	Taxon, Rubin, Sgt
TG	Birenbach, Melvin, Sgt
WG	Di Salvo, Dominick, Sgt

### **B-17G #42-31340 *Miss Liberty***

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P	Hahn, James T., 1Lt
CP	Fulks, James O., 2Lt
NAV	George, Sidney L., 2Lt
BOM	Woodbury, Benton R., 2Lt
ENG	Kalasky, Pete M., S/Sgt
RO	Conkling, John R., S/Sgt
BT	Darbowski, Andrew, Sgt
TG	Howald, Hans, S/Sgt
WG	Lusk, Robert F., Sgt

### **B-17G #42-97893 *Minnie the Moocher***

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P	Foley, Norment, 2Lt
CP	Rowe, Robert A., 2Lt
NAV	Conklin, James M., 2Lt
BOM	Duros, Constantine J., 2Lt
ENG	Snell, Edward A., S/Sgt
RO	Johnson, Vernelle V., S/Sgt
TG	Stewart, Charles R., Sgt
BT	Waltmire, Harrel A., Jr., Sgt
WG	Gordley, Damon, Sgt

### **B-17G #42-97860 *(No Name)***

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P	Hobbs, Willard, 1Lt
CP	Huckins, Earl R., 2Lt
NAV	Wade, Robert E., 2Lt
BOM	Smith, Herbert L., T/Sgt
ENG	Cole, Bethel A., S/Sgt
RO	Wiggans, Earl E., Sgt
BT	Bibik, James J., Sgt
TG	Glaser, Morris B., Sgt
WG	Callahan, Fred, Sgt

### **B-17G #42-97546 *Idaliza***

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P	Shields, Edward F., 2Lt
CP	Cooter, William M., 2Lt
NAV	Mundell, William K., F/O
BOM	Lee, Wilbur W., 2Lt
ENG	Nagel, Leeland J., S/Sgt
RO	Chastain, Robert R., Sgt
BT	Horwitz, Charles, Sgt
TG	Skubal, Joseph J., Sgt
WG	Sheehan, Arthur E., Jr., Sgt



## 360th Bombardment Squadron Crew Lists - Cont'd.

### **B-17G #42-37841 *Banshee***

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P	Baehr, Kenneth C., 1Lt
CP	King, John E., F/O
NAV	Peacock, Thomas I., 2Lt
BOM	Smith, William H., 2Lt
ENG	Brackett, Clarence H., S/Sgt
RO	Ploeger, Jesse, S/Sgt
BT	Decker, Bruce O., Sgt
TG	Keipper, Carl E., Sgt
WG	Baldwin, Kenton F., Sgt

### **B-17G #44-6124 (*No Name*)**

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P	Crawford, William C., 1Lt
CP	Kidd, Warren D., 2Lt
NAV	Littlefield, Robert I., 2Lt
BOM	Britt, Jack E., S/Sgt
ENG	LeRoux, Lyle W., T/Sgt
RO	Miller, William L., T/Sgt
BT	Whitney, Daniel F., S/Sgt
TG	Barder, Emmett R., S/Sgt
WG	Patton, Nelson R., S/Sgt

### **B-17G #42-97187 *Miss Umbriago***

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P	Atwell, Arley L., 2Lt
CP	Caldwell, Frederick J., 2Lt
NAV	Kleppner, Clarence J., F/O
BOM	Cox, James D., S/Sgt
ENG	Herr, Allen H., T/Sgt
RO	Allard, Charles G., T/Sgt
BT	McKinnon, Neil W., S/Sgt
TG	Elmore, Kenneth L., S/Sgt
WG	Donohoe, Thomas D., S/Sgt

### **B-17G #43-37629 (*No Name*)**

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P	Schuknecht, Frederick R., Capt
CP	Brown, Leonard M., 1Lt
NAV	Vell, Ona L., 1Lt
BOM	Parrilla, Rufe H., 1Lt
ENG	Jamison, Charles A., T/Sgt
RO	Libert, Irving, T/Sgt
BT	LaFranchi, Albert S., S/Sgt
TG	Johnson, Francis D., S/Sgt
WG	Enget, Obert L., S/Sgt
PHO	Zaphiriou, James G., Sgt

## 427th Bombardment Squadron Crew Lists

### **B-17G #42-102595 *Little Tush***

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P Davis, Robert W., 2Lt  
CP Sayre, Dorwin D., 2Lt  
NAV Martin, Walter E., Jr., F/O  
BOM Bryan, Fred W., F/O  
TT Hughes, Roy D., Sgt  
BT Smith, Hubert J., Sgt  
RO Benevento, Andrew G., T/Sgt  
TG Foley, William J., Sgt  
WG Smirnes, E. "Nick", Jr., Sgt

### **B-17G #43-37666 *Full House***

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P Drewry, James A., 2Lt  
CP Schneider, Richard H., 2Lt  
NAV Mayo, Archie W., 2Lt  
BOM Burke, James D., 2Lt  
TT Koch, Edward H., Sgt  
BT Morin, Donald P., S/Sgt  
RO Nash, Leslie G., Sgt  
TG Fidell, Frederick C., Sgt  
WG Dorrah, Walter R., S/Sgt

### **B-17G #43-37597 *Earthquake McGoon***

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P Flowers, Selwyn D., 1Lt  
CP Harris, John R., F/O  
NAV Pandey, Bert J., 2Lt  
BOM Smoleroff, Theodore L., 2Lt  
TT Kiely, Joseph P., S/Sgt  
BT McCormick, Lewis J., Sgt  
RO Kopriva, Charles P., S/Sgt  
TG Schulz, Paul H., Sgt  
WG Howell, Charles E., Sgt

### **B-17G #42-102411 *Miss Lace***

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P Cureton, Peter F., Jr., 1Lt  
CP Nally, Paul E., 2Lt  
NAV Tollack, Howard V., 2Lt  
BOM Ulrich, Carl L., 2Lt  
TT Willison, Warren, S/Sgt  
BT Burford, Joseph A., Sgt  
RO Ellis, James A., S/Sgt  
TG Grove, John W., Sgt  
WG Celichowski, Ervin M., Sgt

### **B-17G #42-102432 *Tiny Angel***

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P Eisenwinter, Philip D., 2Lt  
CP Waggoner, Richard C., 2Lt  
NAV Norman, Frederick J., 2Lt  
BOM Campbell, Robert C., 2Lt  
TT Warner, Vester W., Sgt  
BT Veljkov, Paul, Sgt  
RO Murphy, William A., S/Sgt  
TG Ross, Edward E., Sgt  
WG Merrill, Thomas, Sgt

### **B-17G #42-107099 *Old 99***

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P Newton, John A., 2Lt  
CP Mowatt, Frank G., 2Lt  
NAV Lange, George L., 2Lt  
BOM Hiibner, Okey L., Sgt  
TT Turner, Leonard A., S/Sgt  
BT Bricker, Albert W., Sgt  
RO O'Leary, James A., S/Sgt  
TG Hobgood, John F., Sgt  
WG Reeves, James E., Sgt

## 427th Bombardment Squadron Crew Lists - Cont'd.

### **B-17G #42-97311 *Shoo Shoo Baby***

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P Beiser, Theodore R., 1Lt  
CP Fletcher, John E., 1Lt  
NAV Curley, Walter A., 1Lt  
BOM Umphress, F.E., Jr., 1Lt  
TT Buchanan, Lonnie J., T/Sgt  
BT Latta, Charles W., S/Sgt  
RO Gorchesky, Benny J., T/Sgt  
TG Brackey, Carroll H., S/Sgt  
WG Haines, James W., S/Sgt

### **B-17G #42-102569 *Miss Lace***

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P Duncan, Thomas A., 2Lt  
CP Singleton, Daniel H., 2Lt  
NAV Morrison, Martin, F/O  
BOM Byrne, D.A., 2Lt  
TT Dietrich, Francis H., S/Sgt  
BT Ralph, William L., Sgt  
RO Murphy, William O., Sgt  
TG Chalcroft, Charles P., S/Sgt  
WG Smith, Orphus, Jr., Sgt

### **B-17G #42-39875 *Buzz Blonde***

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P Ferguson, Gilbert L., 2Lt  
CP Healy, Richard F., 1Lt  
NAV Stuart, Norman L., 2Lt  
BOM Warner, Robert A., 1Lt  
TT Robertson, Joseph J., T/Sgt  
BT Leal, Raymond T., T/Sgt  
RO Smith, Phillip E., S/Sgt  
TG Whitlow, Zane O., Sgt  
WG DeLiso, Vincent A., Sgt

### **B-17G #42-32027 *Betty Jane***

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P Heil, Lee C., 2Lt  
CP Caplinger, Auston O., 2Lt  
NAV Katz, Edwin Harold, 2Lt  
BOM Bober, Stanley, 2Lt  
TT Toth, Ernest, Sgt  
BT Jacobs, Carroll W., Jr., Sgt  
RO Mittell, Philip P., Sgt  
TG Holen, Theodore J., Sgt  
WG Olds, Andrew R., Sgt