

CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

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1. Your name Bowers, Howard T. Rank 1st Lt. Serial No. 0-825787
B.Gp
2. Organization 301/ Gp Commander E.W. Holmes Rank Col. Sqn COD W. Ewing Rank Major
 (full name) (full name)
3. What year 1945 month April day 20 did you go down?
4. What was the mission, Communications target, Vipitento, Italy, target
 time, 1205, altitude, 24,000 route scheduled, axis of
attack 40, route flown 40
5. Where were you when you left formation? 15 miles north of Merano, Italy
6. Did you bail out? YES
7. Did other members of crew bail out? YES
8. Tell all you know about when, where, how each person in your aircraft for whom no individual questionnaire is attached bailed out. A crew list is attached. Please give facts. If you don't know, say: "No Knowledge". Everyone bailed out at about the same time using the nose escape hatch, bomb bays, and rear exit door all men landed safely.
9. Where did your aircraft strike the ground? It blew up in mid air
10. What members of your crew were in the aircraft when it struck the ground? (Should cross check with 8 above and individual questionnaires) none
11. Where were they in aircraft? none
12. What was their condition? _____
13. When, where, and in what condition did you last see any members not already described above? All crew members ended up in same prison camp in Bolzano, Italy. Tail gunner was only injured man, But injuries consisted of only sprained ankle
14. Please give any similar information on personnel of any other crew of which you have knowledge. Indicate source of information. none

(Any additional information may be written on the back)