

F/O Robert J. Powers

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F/O Joseph Malaky

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Powers.

*buried St. Marys English
Cemetery # 2, French - 8 July
44 - Protestant Ceremony
wooden cross - bearing ~~one~~
of his identification tag
Grave 10, Row 1,
Plot I.*

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86th TROOP CARRIER SQUADRON
437th TROOP CARRIER GROUP

MISSING ~~PILOT~~ CREW REPORT

Classified by 8470
to SECRET
by E. A. BRADON, Lt. Col., AS
by F. M. MUENCH, Capt., AF
Date

1. ORGANIZATION: Location A69 Command or Air Force 86th Tr Carr
Group 437th Tr Carr Squadron 86th Tr Carr Detachment None
2. SPECIES: Point of Departure Station A69 Course 108
Intended Destination Nature Serial 28 Type of Mission Glider tow
3. WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY AT TIME OF CRASH OR WHEN LAST REPORTED Overcast Visibility Zero Zero
- * 4. GIVE: (a) Date 6 June 1944 Time 0600 and Location 5 miles from DE - enroute
of last known whereabouts of missing airplane.
(b) Specify whether () Last sighted; () Last contacted by radio;
() Forced down; () Seen to crash; or () Information not available.
5. ~~PILOT~~ WAS LOST, OR IS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN LOST, AS RESULT OF:
(Check only one) () Enemy Airplane; (X) Enemy Anti-Aircraft; ()
Other circumstances as follows: _____
6. ~~PILOT~~ Time, Model and Serial 00-1A; ~~PILOT~~ Serial No. A39047
7. SPECIES: Type, Model and Series None; ~~PILOT~~ Serial No. (a) None
(b) _____ (c) _____ (d) _____
8. INSTALLED WEAPONS (Furnish below Make, Type and Serial No.)
(a) None (b) _____ (c) _____ (d) _____
(e) _____ (f) _____ (g) _____ (h) _____
9. THE PERSONS LISTED BELOW WERE REPORTED AS: (a) Battle Casualty X
or (b) Non Battle Casualty _____
10. NUMBER OF PERSONS ABOARD AIRCRAFT: Crew 2 Passengers 9 Total 8
(Starting with pilot, furnish the following particulars: If more
than 10 persons were aboard airplane, list similar particulars on
separate sheet and attach original to this form.)

Crew Position	Name in Full (Last Name First)	Rank	Serial Number
1. Pilot	<u>POWERS, ROBERT J.</u>	<u>PLT/O</u>	<u>T 121 9</u>
2. Co-pilot	<u>MURPHY, JOSEPH</u>	<u>PLT/O</u>	<u>T 121 758</u>

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- * 4. See personal statement of Pilot of tow plane attached.

3. Passengers Taylor, George W. Cpl. 34 193 438 82nd Airborne Division
 4. " Johnson, Patrick J. Pfc 35 042 964 82nd Airborne Division
 5. " Moran, Harper L. Pfc 34 235 897 82nd Airborne Division
 6. _____
 7. _____
 8. _____
 9. _____
 10. _____

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11. IDENTIFY EACH OF THESE PERSONS WHO ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN ON BOARD OF AIRCRAFT, AND CHECK APPROPRIATE BOXES TO INDICATE: Deceased Parachuted Ejected Other

Name in Full (Last Name First)	Rank	Number	Radio	Sight	Other
CHRISTIANA, FREDERICK A.	1st Lt	0 680 365			
BLAIR, JOE B.	2nd Lt	0 686 310			

12. IF PERSONS ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE SURVIVED, INDICATE TO ONE OF THE FOLLOWING SEA TRENDS: (a) Parachutes were used; (b) Persons were seen walking away from a site of crash; or (c) Any other reason (Specify) UNKNOWN

13. ATTACH ABOVE PHOTOGRAPH, MAP, OR SKETCH SHOWING APPROXIMATE LOCATION WHERE AIRCRAFT WAS LAST SPOTTED.

14. ATTACH EVIDENCE DESCRIBING OR GIVING SOURCE, LOCATION, OR OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES PERTAINING TO MISSING AIRCRAFT.

15. ATTACH A DESCRIPTION OF THE TYPE OF SIMON, IF ANY, AND GIVE MAKE, MAKE AND SERIAL NUMBER OF OWNER. IF GUNNERS WERE NONE

Date of Report: 28 June 1944

R. E. Linn
 (Signature of Preparing Officer)
 R. E. LINN, Major, AG, Commanding, 86th TO Sq.

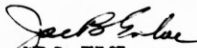
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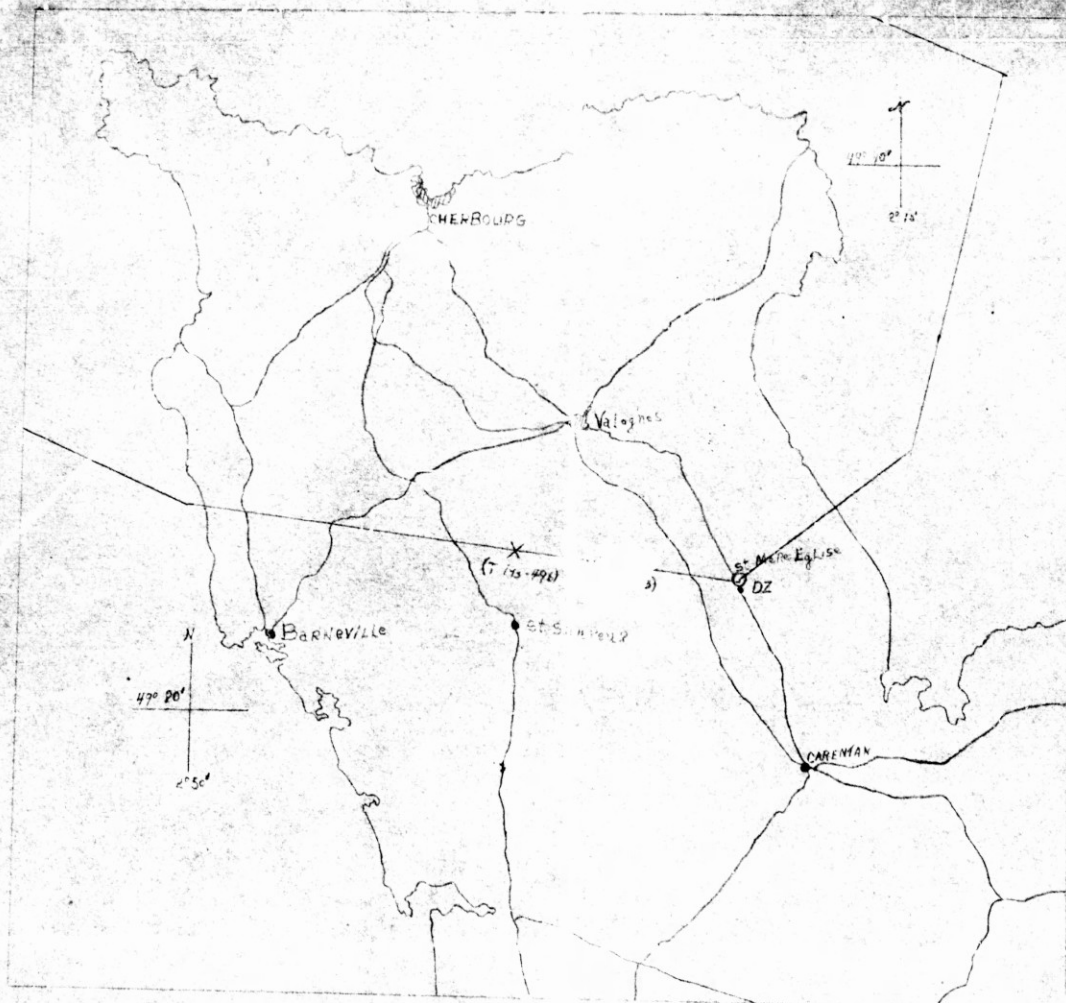
EQUIPMENT TAKEN OVER IN GLIDER:
 1- 57 M4 Gun
 12 Rds 57 Amm.

28 June 1944

STATEMENT OF 2d Lt. JOE B. ENLOE-CO-PILOT TOW PLANE.

Everything was going according to schedule. We hit check points on time. Hit land fall, then hit overcast. We lost sight of number 1 and 2 men in the element. We tried to hold our heading. Approximately 3 minutes after landfall our glider either broke off or was shot off. When we returned to home base we had approximately 8 inches of rope left on coupling. We did not see where glider went or if it landed all right. The last contact we had with glider was about 10 minutes out from coast, at which time everything was all right.


JOE B. ENLOE,
2d Lt., AC.



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- X Holm and Stewart
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