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WAR DEPARTMENT
HEADQUARTERS ARMY AIR FORCES
WASHINGTON

MISSING AIR CREW REPORT

IMPORTANT: This report will be compiled in quintuplicate by each Army Air Forces organization within 48 hours of the time an airplane is officially reported missing.

1. ORGANIZATION: Location ALG A-70 Command or Air Force 9th T.A.C.
Group 366th Fighter Squadron 380th Flight Detachment ---
2. SPECIFY: Point of Departure ALG A-70 Course ---
Intended Destination Aschen area Type of Mission Armed Recon
3. WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY AT TIME OF CRASH OR WHEN LAST REPORTED 7/10'a from 2500 to 3500 feet. Visibility 1 to 5 miles.
4. GIVE: (a) Date 21 September 1943 Time 1300 and Location Geilenkirchen, Germany
of last known whereabouts of missing airplane.
(b) Specify whether (X) Last sighted; () Last contacted by Radio;
() Forced down; () Seen to crash; or () Information not available.
5. AIRPLANE 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: No E/A encountered. Lt. Gross not
seen hit nor heard to report being hit.
6. AIRPLANE: Type, Model and Series P-47-D-15; A.A.F. Serial No. 42-76164
7. ENGINE: Type, Model and Series R-2800-63; A.A.F. Serial No. (a) P-13723
(b) --- (c) --- (d) ---
8. INSTALLED WEAPONS (Furnish below Make, Type and Serial No.)
(a) B-1 1073440 (b) B-2 1072474 (c) R-3 1095383 (d) R-4 1073011
(e) L-1 1095333 (f) L-2 1072042 (g) L-3 1073195 (h) L-4 1097339
9. THE PERSONS LISTED BELOW WERE REPORTED AS: (a) Battle Casualty XXX
or (b) Non Battle Casualty ---
10. NUMBER OF PERSONS ABOARD AIRPLANE: Crew 1 Passengers 0 Total 1
(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	GROSS, EDWARD H.	1st Lt.	0-813147
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11. IDENTIFY BELOW THOSE PERSONS WHO ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE LAST KNOWLEDGE OF AIRPLANE, AND CHECK APPROPRIATE COLUMN TO INDICATE BASIS FOR SAME:

Name in Full (Last Name First)	Rank	Serial Number	Contacted		Last Sighted	Saw	
			By Radio			Crash	Force Landing
1. MORGAN, ALONZO W., Jr.	1st Lt	0-809176			XXXX		
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12. IF PERSONNEL ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE SURVIVED, ANSWER YES TO ONE OF THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS: (a) Parachuted were used _____; (b) Persons were seen walking away from scene of crash _____; or (c) Any other reason (Specify) _____
13. ATTACH AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH, MAP, CHART, OR SKETCH, SHOWING APPROXIMATE LOCATION WHERE AIRPLANE WAS LAST SEEN.
14. ATTACH EYEWITNESS DESCRIPTION OF CRASH, FORCED LANDING, OR OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES PERTAINING TO MISSING AIRPLANE.
15. ATTACH A DESCRIPTION OF THE EXTENT OF SEARCH, IF ANY, AND GIVE NAME, RANK AND SERIAL NUMBER OF OFFICER IN CHARGE HERE _____

Date of Report 24 September, 1944

Theodore W. Gray

(Signature of Preparing Officer)
THEODORE W. GRAY
Captain, Air Corps
Intelligence Officer

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THREE HUNDRED EIGHTY NINTH FIGHTER SQUADRON
Office of the Intelligence Officer
APO #595 - U. S. Army

22 September 1944

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I was leading Yellow flight on an Armed Reconnaissance mission on the 21st of September, 1944. My number four man did not take off. Two men in Blue flight aborted so the remaining two Blue flight planes joined my flight, giving me five planes. Lieutenant Gross formed my right element.

The three planes in Yellow flight were bombed so the three of us were the only ones who went down to hit our target. The two Blue flight planes were not bombed, so they remained at 3,000 feet with Red flight.

After our target run, I brought my flight into position to the rear of Red flight. Of the two Blue flight planes, only one could be seen. I saw Lieutenant Gross before my bomb run, but not after it. I did not see any planes go down or hear any R.T. which would indicate that any member of the Squadron was in trouble, although the flak was rather intense at that location.

Alonzo W. Morgan, Jr.
ALONZO W. MORGAN, Jr
First Lieutenant
Air Corps

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Lt. Gross lost all
near this town.

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by F. M. MURPHY, Capt., AC
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Date MAY 15 1944

MISSING AIR CREW REPORT

IMPORTANT: This report will be compiled in quintuplicate by each Army Air Forces organization within 48 hours of the time an airplane is officially reported missing.

1. ORGANIZATION: Location SITE A-68 Command or Air Force IX TAC
Group 365 FIGHTER Squadron 386 FIGHTER Detachment
2. SPECIFY: Point of Departure SITE A-68 Course N.E. toward AACHEN, GERMANY
Intended Destination DOREN-SINZIG-SCHLIS Type of Mission Armed Col. Support
3. WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY AT TIME OF CRASH OR WHEN LAST REPORTED Cloud base 16,000, air to air visibility fair.
4. GIVE: (a) Date 18 SEPT. 1944 Time 1700 and Location AACHEN, GERMANY
of last known whereabouts of missing airplane.
(b) Specify whether (X) Last sighted; () Last contacted by Radio;
() Forced down; () Seen to crash; or () Information not available.
5. AIRPLANE WAS LOST, OR IS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN LOST, AS RESULT OF:
(Check only one) (X) Enemy Airplane; () Enemy Anti-Aircraft; ()
Other circumstances as follows: _____
6. AIRPLANE: Type, Model and Series P-47D-28; A.A.F. Serial No. 44-19735
7. ENGINES: Type, Model and Series R-2800-59; A.A.F. Serial No. (a) FP-005380
(b) _____ (c) _____ (d) _____
8. INSTALLED WEAPONS (Furnish below Make, Type and Serial No.) BROWNING CAL..50
(a) 1044880 (b) 1044772 (c) 1044842 (d) 1044832
(e) 1044883 (f) 1044885 (g) 1044879 (h) 1044861
9. THE PERSONS LISTED BELOW WERE REPORTED AS: (a) Battle Casualty MIA
or (b) Non Battle Casualty
10. NUMBER OF PERSONS ABOARD AIRPLANE: Crew 1 Passengers 0 Total 1
(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	CAVE, JOHN E.	1st LT.	0-816048
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11. IDENTIFY BELOW THOSE PERSONS WHO ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE LAST KNOWLEDGE OF AIRPLANE, AND CHECK APPROPRIATE COLUMN TO INDICATE BASIS FOR SAME:

Name in Full (Last Name First)	Rank	Serial Number	Contacted By Radio	Last Sighted	Saw Crash	Saw Force Landing
1. BEAUDRAULT, VALMORE J.	1st Lt.	O-680839		X		
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12. IF PERSONNEL ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE SURVIVED, ANSWER ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS: (a) Parachuted were used _____; (b) Persons were seen walking away from scene of crash _____; or (c) Any other reason (Specify) PLANE WENT IN ON FIRE AND CRASHED. PILOT NOT SEEN TO BAIL OUT.
13. ATTACH AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH, MAP, CHART, OR SKETCH, SHOWING APPROXIMATE LOCATION WHERE AIRPLANE WAS LAST SEEN.
14. ATTACH EYEWITNESS DESCRIPTION OF CRASH, FORCED LANDING, OR OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES PERTAINING TO MISSING AIRPLANE.
15. ATTACH A DESCRIPTION OF THE EXTENT OF SEARCH, IF ANY, AND GIVE NAME, RANK AND SERIAL NUMBER OF OFFICER IN CHARGE HERE. NONE
OPERATIONS ORDER #186, HEADQUARTERS IX TACTICAL AIR COMMAND.

Date of Report 19 SEPTEMBER 1944

Malcolm G. Pfunder
(Signature of Preparing Officer)
MALCOLM G. PFUNDER,
1st Lt., Air Corps,
Statistical Officer.

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Statement by 1st Lt. VALMORE J. BEAUDRAULT, O-680839, re: 1st Lt. JOHN E. CAVE, O-816048, lost to "Missing in Action."

I was leading the White flight with the 386th Fighter Squadron on a mission 18 September 1944 and Lt. Cave was in number three position. We were heading toward the target area when we were bounced by forty (40) FW-190's and were engaged in a fight. I saw Lt. Cave's plane receive hits behind the cockpit. His plane turned over, went in on fire and crashed and I did not see him bail out from the plane.

/s/ Valmore J. Beaudrault
VALMORE J. BEAUDRAULT
1st Lt., Air Corps.

THIS IS A TRUE COPY:

Malcolm G. Pfunder
MALCOLM G. PFUNDER,
1st Lt., Air Corps.

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LT. CAVE LAST SEEN HERE

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by P. M. MURPHY, Capt., AG
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 by E. A. BRADONAS, Lt. Col., 43
 by F. M. STENCH, Capt., 43
 Date ~~1944-11-15~~

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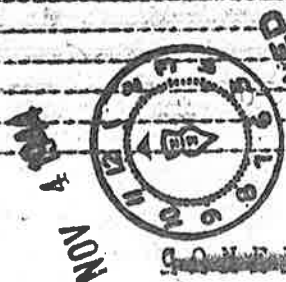
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2. SPECIFY: Point of Departure SITE A-68 Course N.E. toward AACHEN, GERM
 Intended Destination ROSEN-SINZIG-SCHLISSEN Type of Mission Armed Col. Support
3. WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY ANY OF CRASH OR WHEN LAST
REPORTED Cloud base 16,000 air to air visibility fair.
4. GIVE: (a) Date 18 Sept. 1944 Time 1700 and Location S.W. of AACHEN, GERMA
 of last known whereabouts of missing airplane;
 (b) Specify whether (X) Last sighted; () Last contacted by Radio;
 () Forced down; () Seen to crash; or () Information not available.
5. AIRPLANE WAS LOST, OR IS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN LOST, AS RESULT OF:
 (Check only one) (X) Enemy Airplane; () Enemy Anti-Aircraft; ()
 Other circumstances as follows: _____
6. AIRPLANE: Type, Model and Series P-47D-22; A.A.F. Serial No. 42-26386
7. ENGINES: Type, Model and Series R-2800-59; A.A.F. Serial No. (a) 42-5946
 (b) _____ (c) _____ (d) _____
8. INSTALLED WEAPONS (Furnish below Make, Type and Serial No.) BROWNING CAL..50
 (a) 1029564 (b) 1028572 (c) 1028326 (d) 1028982
 (e) 1029131 (f) 1028403 (g) 1028169 (h) 1103759
9. THE PERSONS LISTED BELOW WERE REPORTED AS: (a) Battle Casualty MIA
 or (b) Non Battle Casualty _____
10. NUMBER OF PERSONS ABOARD AIRPLANE: Crew 1 Passengers 0 Total 1
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 separate sheet and attach original to this form.)

	Crew Position	Name in Full (Last Name First)	Rank	Serial Number
1.	Pilot	ROUNTREE, JESSE E.	2nd LT.	0-770420
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11. IDENTIFY BELOW THOSE PERSONS WHO ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE LAST KNOWLEDGE OF AIRPLANE, AND CHECK APPROPRIATE COLUMN TO INDICATE BASIS FOR S/I:

Name in Full (Last Name First)	Rank	Serial Number	Contacted		Saw Crash	Saw Force Landing
			By Radio	Last Sighted		
1. PORTER, GEORGE W.	CAPT.	O-25592		X		
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12. IF PERSONNEL ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE SURVIVED, ANSWER ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS: (a) Parachuted were used _____; (b) Persons were seen walking away from scene of crash _____; or (c) Any other reason (Specify) UNKNOWN
13. ATTACH AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH, MAP, CHART, OR SKETCH, SHOWING APPROXIMATE LOCATION WHERE AIRPLANE WAS LAST SEEN.
14. ATTACH EYEWITNESS DESCRIPTION OF CRASH, FORCED LANDING, OR OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES PERTAINING TO MISSING AIRPLANE.
15. ATTACH A DESCRIPTION OF THE EXTENT OF SEARCH, IF ANY, AND GIVE NAME, RANK AND SERIAL NUMBER OF OFFICER IN CHARGE HERE NONE
OPERATIONS ORDER # 186, HEADQUARTERS IX TACTICAL AIR COMMAND.

Date of Report 19 SEPTEMBER 1944

Malcolm G. Pfunder
(Signature of Preparing Officer)

MALCOLM G. PFUNDER,
1st Lt., Air Corps,
Statistical Officer.

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Statement by Captain GEORGE W. PORTER, O-25592, re: 2nd Lt. JESSE E. ROUINTREE, O-770420, lost to "Missing in Action".

I was leading the Blue flight with the 386th Fighter Squadron on a mission 18 September 1944 and Lt. Rouintree was in number two position. We were heading toward the target area when we were bounced by forty (40) FW-190's and were engaged in a fight. We became separated while engaged in the fight and Lt. Rouintree was lost from our sight and none of us saw him again.

/s/ George W. Porter
GEORGE W. PORTER,
Capt., Air Corps.

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Malcolm G. Pfunder
MALCOLM G. PFUNDER,
1st Lt., Air Corps.

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