

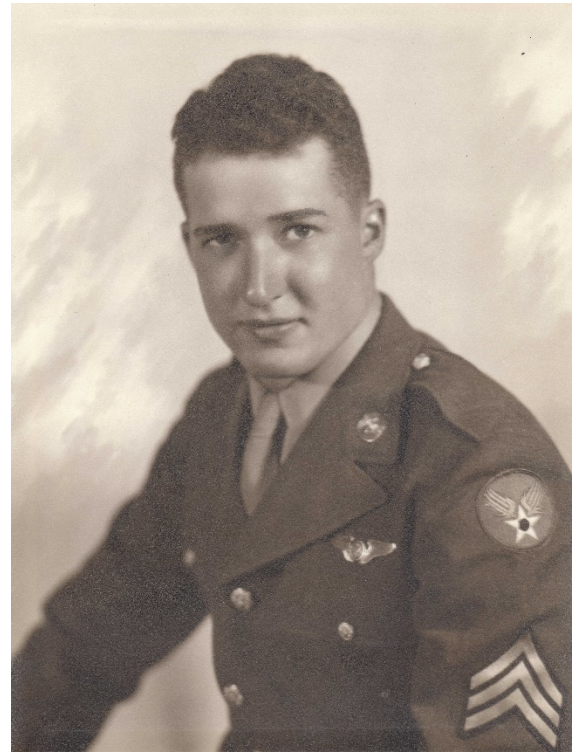
SGT Albert William ENGLISH was the Right Waist Gunner on Crew #616, (Kenneth R. Kessenger, pilot).

Albert was born in 1924 In Moline, Rock Island Co., IL, the only child of Albert Wilson and Jean Neva (GLENN) ENGLISH.

Albert enlisted into the Air Corps on 4 Sep 1942 in Peoria, IL, listing his residence as Rock Island Co., IL. He was assigned to the Kenneth R. KESSENGER crew #616, 786th Bomb Squadron on 5 Dec 1943.

The Kessenger crew was shot down on 8 Apr 1944, along with 5 other B-24s from the 466th Bomb Group. The mission on 8 April 1944 was to bomb an aviation plant near Brunswick.

The 8th of April 1944 was the biggest loss of the war for the 466th BG. In all the 466th BG lost 6 aircraft, with 21 soldiers KIA, and 38 taken as POWS. Certainly a tragic day for the 466th BG.



Sgt. English, who had just turned 20 years old in March 1944, is buried in the cemetery in Neuville-En-Condroz near Leige, Belgium. His white cross indicates that he enlisted from the state of IL.

There is also a memorial marker in the Glennwood Cemetery, in Colona, Henry Co., IL. The marker reads "Albert W. English / Mar 18, 1924 - Apr 8, 1944 / Killed in World War II / Buried in / Neuville En Condroz, Belgium."