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G-0-P-7 AG 704 Missing (15 Aug 45) S. R. & D. No. 3852 15 August 1945 MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Casualty Branch SUBJECT: Review and Determination os "tatus Under the Missing Persons Act. I. - FACTS 1. The following-named officers and enlisted men of the 819th Bombardment Squadron (H), 30th Bombardment Group, have been carried on War Department records as missing in action since It August 1944, in flying pay status, over Saipan, as reported by PAC Shipment Ho. 059: GRADE ASS HARE First Lieutenant 0469940 Hank, John W. Second Lieutenant Glenn, Edgar L. 0762045 Second Lieutenant 0701618 McGormick, Jack E. Second Lieutenant 0701395 Tompkins, Leonard I. Callaway, Flanders B., Jr. Staff Sergeant 32,672,792 Staff Sergeant Pulskamp, Thomas H. 39,34,387 Sergeant 31,353,943 Fiorentino, Giosue J. Sergeant LaSalvia, Pasquale N. 32,872,443 37,407,128 Sergeant Laub. Micholas J. Sergeant 34,539,576 Mauldin, Walter W. 2. Confidential Missing Air Crew Report No. 7832, dated 15 August 1944 identifies the above-named persons as the crew of B-24 type aircraft No. 44-40665 which departed 14 August 1944 from Saipan Island on an operational mission to Iwo Aina Island, Natural Conditions are described as "Ceiling and visibility unlimited." The aircraft was seen to crash about twenty miles southwest of Minami Rock at about 1148 hours and was lost as a result of enemy aircraft. The report states that parachutes were seen to come from the aircraft. 3. Attached to the erew Report is a joint statement signed by First bleutenents Robert B. Kelly, 0665042, and LeRoy J. Conn, 0670014, and Second Lieutenant Robert M. Anderson, 0681974, who are described as the persons who are believed to have last knowledge of the missing aircraft. The statement reads: "At 0149, 14 August 1944, GCT, at a position approximately Cooper

Can Can Part S. R. & D. No. 3852 20 miles SW of Minami Rock, and airplane was observed to be hit in the left wing andNo. 2 engine by fire from enemy aircraft. The whole left side of the airplane caught fire immediately. The pilot of the burning airplane called 1st Lt Robert B. Kelly, the Flight Leader, on the radio and said that he was hit, and going down. The airplane was diving fast in a large spiral turn. Four parachutes were observed. The airplane hit the water and exploded on contact." 4. A report from the 819th Bombardment - undron (H), dated 15 August 1944, subject: Relief from Accountability for Registered Document (file: AG 311.5 (15 Aug 44), to The Adjutant General, states in party \*1. One Be24 of this organization, number 44-40665, piloted by John W. Rank, 1st "t., A.J., 0-469940, during mission H-312, over Iwo Jima island in the Bonin Group, was seen to burst into flame and crash at sea while under attack by enemy fighters at approximately 01502, 14 August 1944. "2. " " Other crews report seeing from two to six men bailing out: the plant taploded on contact and sank immediately twenty miles south of Monemi Rock on Iwo Jima," 5. Iwo Jima Island was under enemy entrol until early February of this year when American armed forces landed on the island. 6. Minami Rock is a small island about 28 miles to the mouth of Iwo Jima Island. 7. An examination of the files of these persons in Casualty Branch, Officers' Branch and Enlisted Branch, AGO, and of the index in Prisoner of War Information Bureau, PMGO, does not reveal any further information relevant to this review. II. - CONCLUSIONS 1. The subject officers and enlisted men constituted the crew of B-24 type airccaft No. 44-40665 which on 14 August 1944 participated in a mission to Iwo Jima Inland, Bonin Islands. While under attack by enemy fighters, subject airplane was seen to be hit. It burst into flames and crashed at sea about twenty miles south of Minami Rock, which is a small island approximately 28 miles south of Iwo Jina Island. From two to six parachutes were reported to come from the aircraft. C-O-P-Y

S. R. & D. No. 3852 2. A possibility exists that the persons who were seen to parachute, plus others who may have subsequently left the aircraft, may have survived and were rescued by the Japanese who entrolled that area until the early part of this year. 3. The fact that they have not been reported by the apanese Government does not preclude the possibility that they may be presoners of war, inasmuch as that Government has, in many instances, failed to report prisoners of war within one year of the date of their capture. 4. In view of the foregoing facts and circumstances, it is concluded that the persons whose status is herein considered may reasonably be presumed to be living. III .- RECOMMENDATION It is recommended that the persons named in Part I, paragraph 1, of this review be continued in a missing in action status, as of 15 August 1945, under the provisions of section 5 of the Missing Persons act. First Lieutenent, AGD Investigator CONCURRED IN: APPROVED: GEORGE F. HERBERT JOHN P. BUICIS Colonel, AGD Lieutenant Colonel, AGD Chief, Casual ty Branch Officer in Charge Status Heview and Determination Section 3 C-O-P-Y

QMGMU 293 World War II Unrecoverables 28 March 1949 SUBJECT: Non-Recoverability of Remains TO: Commanding Officer American Graves Registration Service Pacific Zone APO 958, c/o Postmaster San Francisco, California 1. Reference is made to Proceedings of Board of Officers that convened at the former Marbo Zone and determined that the remains of the following decedents are non-recoverable:/ S/Sgt. 32 672 792 CALLAWAY, Flanders B., Jr .-31 353 943 FIORENTINO, Giosus J. Sgt. 0 762 045 2/Lt. GLENN, Edgar L. 32 872 443 LA SALVIA, Pasquale M. Sgt. LAUB, Nicholas J. Sgt. 37 407 126 34 539 576 Sgt. MAULDIN, Walter W. 0 701 618 McGORMICK, Jack E. 2/Lt. PULSKAMP, Thomas H. 39 281 387 S/Sgt. 1/Lt. 0 469 940 RANK, John W. TOMPKINS, Leonard L. 2/Lt. 0 701 395 2. Findings of the Board have been reviewed and approved on the decedents whose names appear in par 1, above. 3. It is requested that all records of your office pertaining to these deceased be amended to read REMAINS NON-RECOVERABLE. FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL: T. H. METZ WRD Lt. Colonel, QMC Memorial Division MGB/bjs NJS FILE MAR 9 0 1949 cc: AGO ec: Rec. Sec., RR Br.

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
OFFICE OF THE CUARTERNASTER GENERAL
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# RECORD OF REVIEW AND APPROVAL NON-RECOVERABLE CASE

NAME

Callaway, Flanders B., Jr.

RANK

SERIAL NO.

S/Sgt.

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The proceedings of the Field Board of Review concerning the determination of non-recoverability in the above case have been reviewed and the following sources have been examined in this Office for additional clues:

- a. A-Z file of known interments in U.S.
  Military Cemeteries, isolated locations,
  and sea burials.....
- b. Alphabetical index file of "Believed to Be" and tentatively identified unknowns.....
- c. Alphabetical file of former unknowns now identified.....
- d. Geographical clue index file of unknowns from pertinent area.....
- e. 293 file of subject deceased, including Report of Death.....
- f. Status Review and Determination from The Adjutant General.....
- g. Missing Air Crew Report (when applicable and available).....

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The facts and circumstances have been found to be substantially as presented in the attached proceedings of the Field Board of Review and substantiate the findings of non-recoverability. Exceptions are noted below:

None

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Lt. Col., QMC Chief, Ident. Br. 22 Mar 1949

Page 2 AGRS - MARBO Case VAF No. 29 Subj: Casualty Clearance and Case Review (Cont'd) PART III - DISCUSSION 1. Subject aircraft reported to have taken off from Saipan Island for combat strike on Iwo Jima Island. MACR gives 1148 ELT hours, 14 August 1944 and attached statement say at 0149 GCTm hours, 14 August 1944 at a position approximately 20 miles southwest of Minami Rock, an airplane was observed to be hit in the left wing and number two engine by fire from enemy aircraft. The whole left side of the airplane caught fire immediately. The pilot of the burning airplane called 1st Lt. Robert B. Kelly, the Flight Leader, on the radio and said that he was hit and going down. Four parachutes were observed. The airplane hit the water and exploded on contact. No available reports of rescue. It can be presumed that the four men who were observed to have bailed out were drowned and the other crew members were killed in the crash and lost at sea on 14 August 1944, approximately 20 miles northwest of Minami Rock, Iwo Jima Island, Volcano Island. The circumstances of loss of the aircraft and crew members were such as to preclude any possibility of recovery at the time of the plane crash. 2. The Search & Recovery Teams operating on the islands and inlying island areas of this command have not recovered any remains that could be identified as subject crew members. 3. All available records have been checked to further the identity of unknown remains buried in cemeteries in this Command with those of subject crew members. None of the records compare favorably enough to warrant identity either by dental chart or circumstances of death. 4. Records of burials indicate that the remains of subject crew members are not among those listed as Knowns in United States Military Cemeteries of this Command. PART IV - FINDINGS After review of the facts and information contained in Part II and III, above, it is found that aircraft B-24J, serial number 44-40665. crashed into the sea as a result of enemy aircraft and subject crew members were drowned or killed in the crash and lost at sea.

Page 3 AGRS - MARBO Case VAF No. 29 Subj: Casualty Clearance and Case Review (Cont'd) PART V - RECOMMENDATION Based upon the findings shown in Part IV, above, and the information contained in Parts I, II and III of this review, it is recommended that the remains of the Air Corps personnel listed below be considered "Nonrecoverable, Lost at Sea" and that all records relative to search and recovery of the remains be closed. Name Rank Serial No. Rank, John W. 1/Lt. 0-469940 Glenn, Edgar L. 2/Lt. 0-762045 2/Lt. McCormick, Jack E. 0-701618 Tompkins, Leonard I. 2/Lt. 0-701395 Pulskamp, Thomas H. S/Sgt. 39281387 La Salvia, Pasquale M. Sgt. 32872443 Mauldin, Walter W. Sgt. 34539576 Callaway, Flanders B. Jr. S/Sgt. 32672792 Fiorentino, Giosue J. Sgt. 31353943 Laub, Nicholas J. Sgt. 37407128 Recommend approval: ARTHUR A. MRENA Captain 0-1575686 President, Board of Review Captain INF 1st Lt. FA 0-336714 0-1054720 Hember Member Incl:

AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE MARBO ZONE APO 246 SPECIAL ORDERS 6 May 1948 NUMBER 37 EXTRACT 2. The fol B/O are aptd for the purpose of reviewing and to act upon all cases pertaining to the identity of unknown remains and nonrecoverable remains referred to the Board. AUTH: Ltr WD TAG, File AGAO-S 293.9 (27 Mar 47) D. M., Subject: Establishment of Boards of Review for Identification of Unknowns Dead Overseas, dated 9 April 47, and CINCFE RAD CX 59328 dtd 22 March 1948. Capt ARTHUR A. ARINA 01575686 QLC Capt HAROLD A. FIKE 0336714 INF 1st Lt. WILLIAM F. MILLARD 01054720 FA BY ORDER OF LT COLONEL GREGORY: D. A. BROWN Major AGD OFFICIAL: Adjutant ELDON V. MORGAN WOJG Asst Adj DISTRIBUTION: 201 files (1) Pers conc (1) BB (1) Hq Fila (1) M/R Sec Reports Sec

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

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	GROUP 30th Bomb ; SQUADRON 819th Bomb (H) : DETACHMENT -
2.	SPECIFY: Point of Departure Saipan Island ; Course 339 True
	Intended Destination Iwo Jima Island ; Type of Mission Combat
	Strike
3.	WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY AT TIME OF CRASH OR WHEN LAST
	REPORTED: Ceiling and visibility unlimited.
4.	GIVE: (a) Date 14 Aug 44 ELT Time 1148 ELT; And Location of
	last known whereabouts of missing aircraft 20 miles
	southwest of Minami Rock
	(b) Specify whether ( ) Last sighted ( ) Last contacted by
	radio: ( ) Forced down: (X) Seen to crash; or ( ) Informa-
	tion not available.
5.	AIRCRAFT WAS LOST, OR IS DELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN LOST, AS A RESULT OF
	(Check only one: (X) Enemy Aircraft; ( ) Enemy Anti-Aircraft;
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6.	AIRCRAFT: Type, Model and Series B-24J ; AAF Serial No.
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7.	ENGINES: Type, Mcdel and Scries R 1830 65A; AAF Serial No. (a)
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	(d) BP 441479
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2. Conn, LeRoy J.	1/Lt	0670014			X	
3. Anderson, Robert H.	2/Lt	0681974			X	

- 12. IF PERSONNEL ARE BELIEVED TO LAVI SURVIVED, ANSWER YES TO CHE OF THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS: (a) Parachutes were used X;
  (b) Persons were seen walking away from scene of crash;
  or (c) Any other reason(Specify)
- 13. ATTACH ABRIAL PHOTOGRAPH, MAP, CLART, OR SKETCH, SHOWING APPROXIMATE LOCATION THERE AIRCRAFT WAS LAST SEEM.
- 14. ATTACH EYE I THESS DESCRIPTION OF CRUSH, FORCED LINDING, OR OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES PERTAINING TO MISSING AIRCRAFT.
- 15. ATTACH A DESCRIPTION OF THE EXTENT OF SEARCH, IF ANY, AND GIVE NAME, RANK AND SERIAL NUMBER OF OFFICER IN CHARGE MERE None

15 August 1944 s/ James S. Simpson
(Date of Report) (Signature of Preparing Officer)

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t/ JAMES S. SEAPSON, Capt., AC., adjutant, 819th Benb Sq (H).

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29/1/46 CASUALTY BRANCH The Adjutant General's Office Washington, D. C. DEATH Callaway, Flanders B. SUBJECT: Change of address of Emergency Addressee: A communication has been received from \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ mother of Staff Sergeant Flanders B. Callaway, 32,672,792, who was presumed to have died on 25 February 1946, requesting that the records of this office be amended as follows: FROM Mrs. Minnie B. Callaway, mother 185 East Hazeltine Avenue Kenmeref 1721 Newd York Mrs. Minnie E. Callaway, mother Sunset Village R.F.D. 1, Box 346 8 Salem, Virginia Army Effects Bureau Adjutant General Commanding General Service Command (Military only) Decorations and Awards Branch (Military only) Director, Bureau of Public Relations Director, Veterans Administration (Military only) General Accounting Office Liaison Office, Office of Special Settlement Accounts, Room 3065, Munitions Memorial Branch, Overseas Section, CQMG -Notification Branch, Personal Affairs Division, Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Personnel, Room 4310, Munitions Building (AAF Personnel only) Mr. E. A. Bloomquist, Claims Section, Division of Maritime Insurance, Warshipping Administration, 99 John Street, New York 7, New York (Civilian Army Transport Service employees only) Seaman's Record and Welfare Unit, U.S. Coast Guard (Civilian Army Transport Service employees only) United States Civil Service Commission (Civilian only) United States Employees Compensation Commission (Civilian only) AG 201 File (Military and War Department Civilian employees) AG 095 File (War Dept. contract employees and other civilians subject to Military Law)

Form prescribed by Comptroller General, U. S. 7 October 1944



#### WAR DEPARTMENT

THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

### FINDING OF DEATH OF MISSING PERSON

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 5 of the Act of 7 March 1942 (Public Law 490 77th Cong.) as amended, upon direction and delegation by the Secretary of War, The Chief, Casualty Branch, The Adjutant General's Office, finds Staff Sergeant Flanders B.

Callaway, Junior, Army Serial Number 32,672,792, Air Corps, to be dead. He was officially reported as missing in action as of the

14th

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August 194 4. For the purposes stated in said Act, death is presumed to have occurred on the 25th day of February 1946

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR

George M. Weir

Acting

ADJUTANT GENERAL CHIEF, CASUALTY BRANCH

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION

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Mrs. Minnie E. Callaway

| EMERGENCY ADDRESSE | Address | 185 East Hazeltine Avenue | Kenmore 17, New York |

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REMARKS

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Circumstances of disappearance: Subject was a crew member of a Liberator bomber which was shot down by enemy fighter craft while on a mission to Iwo Jima Island.

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23 December 1948

#### MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD:

SUBJECT: Review of Circumstances Surrounding the Disappearance of Personnel Presumed Dead.

1. The following named Air Corps Personnel of the 819th Bombardment Squadron (H), 30th Bombardment Group, were reported missing in action on 14 August 1944, in flying pay status, over Saipan;

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- 2. Under the provisions of Section 5, Public Law 490, 7 March 1942, as amended, a Finding of Death was issued in each case (SR&D No. 3852-A), showing the presumed date of death as 25 February 1946.
- 3. Missing Air Crew Report No. 7832, dated 15 August 1944 identifies the above-named persons as the crew of B-24 type aircraft No. 44-40665 which departed 14 August 1944 from Saipan Island on an operational mission to Iwo Jima Island. Natural conditions are described as "ceiling and visibility unlimited." The aircraft was seen to crash about twenty miles southwest of Minami Rock at about 1148 hours and was lost as a result of enemy aircraft. The report states that parachutes were seen to come from the aircraft.
- 4. Attached to the Crew Report is a joint statement signed by First Lieutenants Robert B. Kelly, 0665042, and LeRoy J. Conn, 0670014, and Second Lieutenant Robert M. Anderson, 0681974, who are described as the persons who are believed to have last knowledge of the missing aircraft. The statement reads:

"At 0149, 14 August 1944, GCT, at a position approximately 20 miles SW of Minami Rock, an airplane was observed to be hit in the left wing and No. 2 engine by fire from enemy aircraft. The whole left side of the airplane caught fire immediately. The pilot of the burning airplane called 1st Lt Robert B. Kelly, the Flight Leader, on the radio and said that he was hit, and going down. The airplane was diving fast in a large spiral turn. Four parachutes were observed. The airplane hit the water and exploded on contact."

G. W. ROGERS
Capt., QMC
Identification Branch

AG 704 DEAD 5. A report from the 819th Bombardment Squadron (H), dated 15 August 1944, subject: Relief from Accountability for Registered Document (file: AG 311.5 (15 Aug 44), to The Adjutant General, states in part: "1. One B-24J of this organization, number 44-40665, piloted by John W. Rank, 1st Lt., A. C., 0-469940, during mission H-312, over Iwo Jima island in the Bonin Group, was seen to burst into flame and crash at sea while under attack by enemy fighters at approximately 0150Z, 14 August 1944. "2. \* \* \* Other crews report seeing from two to six men bailing out; the plane exploded on contact and sank immediately twenty miles south of Monemi Rock on Iwo Jima." 6. Iwo Jima Island was under enemy control until early February of 1945, when American armed forces landed on the island. 7. Minami Rock is a small island about 28 miles to the south of Iwo Jima Island. 8. The subject officers and enlisted men constituted the crew of B-24 type aircraft No. 44-40665 which on 14 August 1944 participated in a mission to Iwo Jima Island, Bonin Islands. While under attack by enemy fighters, subject airplane was seen to be hit. It burst into flames and crashed at sea about twenty miles south of Minami Rock, which is a small island approximately 28 miles south of Iwo Jima Island. From two to six parachutes were reported to come from the aircraft. 9. In view of the elapsed period of time without any further information pertaining to subject persons, it appears that in all probability they are dead, either killed or drowned when their plane crashed in the water, due to enemy action, or having survived the crash, were captured and died of some unknown causes at a later date. A number of cases are available wherein missing personnel are known to have been captured by the enemy in that area and who were never reported as prisoners of war or heard from again. However, there are no known eyewitnesses to their actual fates, and since the known circumstances immediately preceding their disappearance are not conclusive of death, any final decision as to their status is contingent upon the finding of their remains or evidence made a matter of record by the enemy. However, as indicated above, a search of official burial records elicits the information that the Non-Recoverable Unit of the Quartermaster General's Office, has recommended that the remains of the above crew be declared non-recoverable. Nor has any evidence been received either before or after cessation of hostilities to indicate that subject persons were ever in the hands of the enemy.

AG 704 DEAD 10. In view of the foregoing, it is concluded that the information now of record in the Department of the Army does not warrant the issuance of official reports of death, under the provisions of Section 9, of the Missing Persons Act. Jan Jegn CONCUR: Hazel F. Flynn Investigator O. PAULSEN Capt., AGD OIC, Determination Unit, Cas. Sec., PA Branch, AGO Copy for: AG 201 file of each person named in par. 1 Cas. Sec. file of each person named in par. 1 293 file (OQMG) of each person named in par. 1 3

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THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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### FINDING OF DEATH OF MISSING PERSON

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 5 of the Act of 7 March 1942 (Public Law 490 77th Cong.) as amended, upon direction and delegation by the Secretary of War, The Chief, Casualty Branch, The Adjutant General's Office, finds Staff Sergeant Flanders B.

Callaway, Junior, Army Serial Number 32,672,792, Air Corps, to be dead. He was officially reported as missing in action as of the

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194 4. For the purposes stated in said Act, death is presumed to have occurred day of

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BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR

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ADJUTANT GENERAL CHIEF. CASUALTY BRANCH

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION

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Circumstances of disappearance: Subject was a crew member of a Liberator bomber which was shot down by enemy fighter craft while on a mission to Iwo Jima Island.

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29/1/46 CASUALTY BRANCH The Adjutant General's Office Washington, D. C. DEATH AGPC-0 201 Callaway, Flanders B. (12 Mar 46) MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD SUBJECT: Change of address of Emergency Addressee: A communication has been received from the mother of Staff Sergeant Flanders B. Callaway, 32,672,792, who was presumed to have died on 25 February 1946, requesting that the records of this office be amended as follows: Mrs. Minnie E. Callaway, mother Mrs. Minnie E. Callaway, mother 185 East Hazeltine Avenue Sunset Village R.F.D. 1. Box 340 8 Kermore 17 niswederk Salem, Virginia Adjutant General Army Effects Bureau Commanding GeneralsecondService Command (Military only) Decorations and Awards Branch (Military only) Director, Bureau of Public Relations Director, Veterans Administration (Military only) General Accounting Office Liaison Office, Office of Special Settlement Accounts, Room 3065, Munitions Memorial Branch, Overseas Section, COMG Notification Branch, Personal Affairs Division, Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Personnel, Room 4310, Munitions Building (AAF Personnel only) Mr. E. A. Bloomquist, Claims Section, Division of Maritime Insurance, Warshipping Administration, 99 John Street, New York 7, New York (Civilian Army Transport Service employees only) Seaman's Record and Welfare Unit, U.S. Coast Guard (Civilian Army Transport Service employees only) United States Civil Service Commission (Civilian only) United States Employees Compensation Commission (Civilian only) AG 201 File (Military and War Department Civilian employees) AG 095 File (War Dept. contract employees and other civilians subject to Military Law)

ARMY SERVICE FORCES
KANSAS CITY QUARTERMASTER DEPOT ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU 601 Hardesty Avenue Kansas City 1, Missouri (S-3-17-45)JRM: NM: bfh In Reply Refer To: 118179 February 17 1945 Mrs. Minnie E. Callaway 123 Tremont Avenue Kenmore, New York Dear Mrs. Callaway: The Army Effects Bureau has received some personal effects belonging to your son, Staff Sergeant Flanders B. Callaway. This property is being forwarded to you in one carton and should reach you in the near future. My action in transmitting the property does not, of itself, vest title in you. The items are forwarded in order that you may act as gratuitous bailee in caring for them pending the return of the owner, who has been reported missing in action. In the event he later is reported a casualty, and I sincerely hope he never is, it will be necessary that the property be turned over to the person or persons legally entitled to receive it. When delivery has been made, I shall appreciate your acknowledging receipt by signing one copy of this letter in the space provided below, and returning it to this Bureau. For your convenience, there is inclosed an addressed envelope which needs no postage. I regret the circumstances prompting this letter, and wish to express my hope for the safe return of your son. I am inclosing a check for \$7.45, representing funds belonging to Sergeant Callaway. Yours very truly, I. M. BRAINERD Incl--Army Effects Bureau Envelope Administrative Assistant Check Receipt acknowledged: Mrs. Minine 6. (allaway (Signature of Bailee) Feb. 24, 1945 Eff. QM Form 205b also rid canton.

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HEADQUARTERS 30TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H) APO 244 SPECIAL ORDERS ) NUMBER 64) 16 August 1944 7. CAPT JAMES S SIMPSON 01894592 AC 819th Bomb Sq (H) this sta is aptd SC to inventory and dispose of the effects left at this sta of the following named O .. C and EM killed in action 14 Aug 44: 0696439 2ND LT JACK H DAVIS S Sgt Bernard J Mistretta 38267492 (748) Auth: AW 112, MCM 1928 and WD Cir 195, 1943. 8. CAPT JAMES S SIMPSON 01894592 AC 819th Bomb Sq (H) this sta is aptd Investigating O to secure the effects of the following named O's AC and EM of same orgn missing in action 14 Aug 44: LST LT JOHN W. RANK 0469940 2ND LT EDGAR L GLENN 0762045 0701618 2ND LT JACK E McCORMICK 2ND LT LEONARD I TOMPKINS 0701395 2ND LT HAROLD J PUCKETT 0696140 F/O JOHN R SHIELDS T123121 S Sgt Thomas H Pulskamp 39281387(748) Sgt Pasquale M LaBalvia 32872443(748) 34539576(748) S Sgt Flanders B Callaway Jr 32672792(757) Sgt Walter W Mauldin S Sgt Joseph P Amaral 39129523(612) S Sgt Thomas G Clancy 35685452 (612) Sgt Giosue J Fiorentino 31353943(612) Sgt Nicholas J Laub 37407128 (612) 33140082(612) Sgt James H Homer Sgt John Gaydzik 13169475 (757) Sgt Frank J Meszaros 35311590(866) Auth: WD Cir 195: 1943. By order of Colonel MILLER: HYLON T. PLUMB, Jr., Captain, Air Corps, Adjutant. OFFICIAL: HYLON T. PLUMB, JR. /s/ HYLON T. PLUMB, JR. /t/ Captain, Air Corps, Adjute nt. CERTIFIED A TRUE COPY: AMES S. SIMPSON, Captain, Air Corps. Adjutant, &L9th Bomb Sq (H)