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HEADQUARTERS, ARMY AIR FORCES  
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

September 28, 1944

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SUBJECT: Staff Sergeant Thomas J. Hudson, 18165858,  
301st Bomb Group (H), 352nd Bomb Squadron (H),  
Killed in Action 25 May 1944.

TO : Commanding General, Fifteenth Air Force, A.P.O. 520,  
c/o Postmaster, New York, New York.

1. This headquarters is in receipt of a request for details concerning the circumstances under which the subject named was reported ~~missing~~ (in action) on the date shown.  
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2. In order to reply to this request it is desired that information be furnished this headquarters, similar to that called for in the Missing Air Crew Report, if available, including a list of the crew members and their positions in the plane.

For the Commanding General:

*E. A. Bradunas*

E. A. BRADUNAS,  
Major, A. G. D.,  
Chief, Notification Branch,  
Personal Affairs Division,  
Assistant Chief Air Staff, Personnel.

AG 201 - Hudson, Thomas J. (EM) 1st Ind. S: 18 Nov 44 GP/B/eh  
HQ FIFTEENTH AIR FORCE, APO 520, 8 November 1944.

TO: C. 5th Wing, APO 520.

For compliance and return through this headquarters.

By command of Major General TWINING:

*Windle D. Reel*  
WINDLE D. REEL,  
Major, Air Corps,  
Assistant AG, AF

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1514 / AG 201 - Hudson, Thomas J. (EM) 2nd Ind. S: 16 Nov '44 (G-wwb)

HEADQUARTERS FIFTH WING (US), APO 520, 9 November 1944.  
TO: CO, 301st Bomb Group (H), APO 520.

1. For compliance.

By command of Brigadier General LAWRENCE:



*C. J. Regan*  
C. J. REGAN,  
Capt, Air Corps,  
Asst Adjutant.

AG 201-Hudson, Thomas J. (Enl) 3rd Ind. S: 12 Nov 44 C/RHG/bf  
HQ 301ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H) AAF, APO 520, 11 November 1944.

CO, 352nd Bomb Sq, APO 520.

For compliance with basic communication and return no later than  
suspense date shown.

By order of Lt Col MOORMAN:

*James S. Holbrook*  
JAMES S. HOLBROOK,  
Captain, Air Corps,  
Ass't Adjutant.

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AG 201-Hudson, Thomas J. (EM) 4th Ind. BAD/eac  
352ND BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H) AAF, APO 520, U. S. Army, 12 November 1944.

TO: Hq 301st Bombardment Group (H) AAF, APO 520, U. S. Army.

1. In compliance with basic communication the following information is submitted in regards to S/Sgt HUDSON, THOMAS J., 18165858, Killed in Action 25 May 1944:

- a. Statement of 2nd Lt Kevin (nm1) Shepherd, pilot of B-17 aircraft #0443, as given 29 May 1944: "Flying high right position of the second wave in AC #0443 the formation went into a cloud. I pulled out to the right and gained altitude. I came out on the side of the cloud. Just then I saw the nose section of the OD plane flaming and falling straight down. Didn't see the tail section. It seemed to be broken off from bombay back. Flying at 7,500 feet I circled to the right, saw a plane hit the top of a 3,500 foot mountain. Saw three different fires which seemed to be from one aircraft."
- b. Crew members and positions in plane in which S/Sgt HUDSON was flying as Tail Gunner:

Pilot: *m* Bogar, Charles R., 2nd Lt., 0808936 *nm*  
Co-Pilot: *m* Roelkey, Francis D., 1st Lt., 0747896 *nm*  
Navigator: *m* Strieby, Donald L., 2nd Lt., 0694743  
Bombardier: *m* Schiavo, Augustus J., 2nd Lt., 0755060  
Radio-Gunner: *m* Klein, Bernard M., T/Sgt., 32808361  
Upper Turret: *m* Cavanaugh, John M., S/Sgt., 19063304  
Lower Turret: *m* Taylor, Cecil J., S/Sgt., 17072722  
Waist Gunner: *m* Halverson, Warren W., S/Sgt., 36476147

For the Commanding Officer:

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HQ. 301ST BOMB. GR.  
BUEL A. DUNN,  
Captain, Air Corps,  
Adjutant.

AG 201-Hudson, Thomas J. (Enl) 5th Ind. C/RHG/jte

1917 HEADQUARTERS 301ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H) AAF, APO 520, 13 November 1944.

TO: Commanding General, Fifth Wing (US), APO 520



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by E. A. BRADUNAS, Lt. Col., AC

by F. M. MUENCH, Capt., AC

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AG 201 - Hudson, Thomas J. (Enl) 6th Ind.

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HEADQUARTERS FIFTH WING (US), APO 520, 14 November 1944.

TO: CG, Fifteenth Air Force, APO 520.

1. Attention invited to 4th indorsement.

For the Commanding General:

*C. D. Regan*  
C. D. REGAN,  
Capt, Air Corps,  
Asst Adjutant.

AG 201 - Hudson, Thomas J. (EM) 7th Ind. GP/B/eh  
HQ FIFTEENTH AIR FORCE, APO 520, 16 November 1944.

TO: CG, MTOUSA, APO 512. Att'n: Casualty Branch, AGD.

*W. D. H.*  
W. D. H.

AG 201 - Hudson, Thomas J., (Enl)-C 8th Ind.  
(28 Sept 44)  
HQ., MTOUSA, APO 512, U. S. Army, 18 November 1944.

TO: Commanding General, Army Air Forces, Washington 25, D. C.

Attention invited to fourth indorsement.

For the THEATER COMMANDER:

*Jack K. Roberts*  
JACK K. ROBERTS,  
1st Lt., AGD,  
Asst. Adjutant General.

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