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 HEADQUARTERS ARMY AIR FORCES  
 WASHINGTON  
 MISSING AIR CRAFT REPORT

**RESTRICTED**  
 Date: 28 Sept 1943

**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.

1. ORGANIZATION: Location Quada No. 2; Command or Air Force VII  
 Group 301st; Squadron 410th; Detachment \_\_\_\_\_
2. SPECIFY: Point of Departure Quada No. 2 (Base); Course SOLEANO, ITALY - Base  
 Intended Destination Quada No. 2 (Base); Type of Mission Combat
3. WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY AT TIME OF CRASH OR WHEN LAST REPORTED: \_\_\_\_\_  
6 to 10/10ths; Immediately after leaving target
4. Give: (a) Date 25 Sept/43; Time \_\_\_\_\_; and Location Near SOLEANO  
 of last known whereabouts of missing aircraft.  
 (b) Specify whether (x) Last Sighted; ( ) Last Contacted by Radio;  
 ( ) Forced Down; ( ) Seen to Crash; or ( ) Information not Available.
5. AIRCRAFT WAS LOST, OR IS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN LOST, AS A RESULT OF: (check only one) ( ) Enemy aircraft; ( ) Enemy Anti-aircraft; ( ) Other Circumstances as follows: This HQ has been unable to determine the exact cause. However, consensus of opinion is enemy anti-aircraft.
6. AIRCRAFT: Type, Model and Series B-17E2; AAF Serial Number 43-5919
7. ENGINES: Type, Model and Series B-1820-07; AAF Serial Number (a) 43-58145  
 (b) 43-58117; (c) 43-58123; (d) 43-58126
8. INSTALLED WEAPONS (Furnish below Make, Type, and Serial Number) 1/ Gun 42 AG Flex .50 Cal.  
 (a) 381226; 378914; (b) 378917; (c) 386022; 378948; (d) 386178  
 (e) 587162; 503792; (f) 386130; (g) 386005; 379350; (h) 379812
9. THE PERSONS LISTED BELOW WERE REPORTED AS: (a) Battle Casualty Yes  
 or (b) Non-battle Casualty \_\_\_\_\_
10. NUMBER OF PERSONS ABOARD AIRCRAFT: Crew 10; Passengers 0; Total 10  
 (Starting with pilot, furnish the following particulars: If more than 10 persons were aboard aircraft, list similar particulars on separate sheet and attach original to this form).

*Status*

	Crew Position	Name in Full (Last Name First)	Rank	Serial Number
K/A	1. Pilot	STANLEY, EDWARD E.	1st Lt	0735684
K/A	2. Co-Pilot	WARRER, ROBERT E.	2nd Lt	0733031
K/A	3. Navigator	FITCHFIELD, JAMES E.	2nd Lt	0711127
K/A	4. Bombardier	DODD, MAX E.	2nd Lt	0731176
K/A	5. WT Ser	SMITH, EDWARD G.	S/Sgt	36221892
K/A	6. Rad Ser Ser	WAGNER, RAYMOND D.	Sgt	15021086
K/A	7. Ball Tur Ser	RAY, PERRY E.	Sgt	14124348
K/A	8. Asst Ser	DANIELS, OSCAR J. R.	Sgt	19240188
K/A	9. Tail Ser	HALL, JOHN L.	Sgt	15044505
K/A	10. Extra Ser	HELAN, JOHN S. GAG	Sgt	35013117

11. IDENTIFY BELOW THE PERSONS WHO ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE LAST KNOWLEDGE OF AIRCRAFT, AND CHECK APPROPRIATE COLUMN TO INDICATE BASIS FOR SAME:  
 Check only one column

Name in Full (Last Name First)	Rank	Serial Number	Contacted By	Last Sighted	Saw Forced Landing
1. <u>See Enclosure</u>					
2. _____					
3. _____					

2. IF PERSONNEL ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE SURVIVED, ANSWER YES TO ONE OF THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS: (a) Persons were used \_\_\_\_\_; (b) Persons were seen walking away from scene of crash \_\_\_\_\_; or (c) Any other reason (Specify) \_\_\_\_\_
13. ATTACH AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH, MAP, PLAN, OR SKETCH, SHOWING APPROXIMATE LOCATION WHERE AIRCRAFT WAS LAST SEEN.
14. ATTACH DESCRIPTION OF CRASH, FORCED LANDING, OR OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES PERTAINING TO MISSING AIRCRAFT.
15. ATTACH A DESCRIPTION OF THE METHOD OF SEARCH, IF ANY, AND GIVE NAME, RANK AND SERIAL NUMBER OF OFFICER IN CHARGE HERE No Search

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*Stephen W Henry*  
 STEPHEN W. HENRY, Capt., AG, Crew Officer.  
 (Signature of Preparing Officer)