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First Lieutenant Everett L. Isaacson Killed in Action

Everett Isaacson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Waino Isaacson, was born on June 1, 1921 in Republic, Michigan and graduated from the Republic High School on May 26, 1939. Although his pre-flight and primary training is unknown, he received his wings when he graduated from advanced flying school at Douglas, Arizona. He was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant upon completion of training in twin engine planes and was assigned to Douglas Air Field in Lamore, California.

On June 28, 1944 he went overseas and was stationed in England as a pilot of a B-17 Flying Fortress where he engaged in bombing war plants in Germany and Nazi military defense points and communication lines in support of Allied ground forces in Western Europe.

Isaacson was promoted from Second to First Lieutenant for "meritorious achievement while participating in heavy bombardment missions in the air offensive against the enemy over continental Europe".

In November 1944, Mr. and Mrs. Waino Isaacson received word from the War Department in which J.A. Ullis, Adjutant General, stated:

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"The Secretary of War desires me to express his deep regret that your son, First Lieutenant Everett L. Isaacson, has been reported missing in action since October 6 over Germany. If further details are received you will be promptly notified."

A second telegram stated:

"Report received from the German government through the International Red Cross states your son, First Lieutenant Everett L. Isaacson, who was previously reported missing in action, was killed in action on October 6 over Germany. The Secretary of War desires to extend his deepest sympathy."

Everett is the second son of Mr. and Mrs. Isaacson to lose his life in the present war. Their other son, Lieutenant Arthur Waino Isaacson, was killed in action over England on November 8, 1943. Arthur was also piloting a B-17. Everett was 23, Arthur 25.

TJ Mudge, April 2004