Roy Olaf Hansen was born in an apartment on the corner of Pearl and 4th Streets in Ishpeming Michigan on August 5th, 1922. His parents Sven and Helmi Hansen, moved with 4-year-old Roy to Waukegan Illinois in 1926.

Roy enlisted in the U.S. Army Air Corps on October 7, 1942.He trained in Alabama and Wyoming and was moved to Italy in 1944 as part of the 15th Air Force, There, Roy was assigned as a B-24 Pilot with the 460th Bomb Group-760th Bombardment Squadron. He entered combat in March of 1944 and flew 27 missions through April 1945, most missions were over Austria attacking oil refineries and storage facilities, aircraft factories, railroad centers, and other objectives. He was moved to Trinidad and then Brazil in June of 1945, being assigned to moving redeployed personnel from Europe to the U.S.

After the war, Roy started a trucking Company out of Chicago III. He later became a computer programmer and retired in 1985. After retiring, Roy moved back to Ishpeming MI, and was an active member of the American Legion Greenwood Post 114.

Roy passed away on Feb.1 1986, survived by his daughter Jane Brooks of Indiana and his son Peter Hansen of Ishpeming Mi.



