

DATE	AS PILOT						OTHER THAN PILOT				
	NAVIGATION		INSTRUMENT		NIGHT		NAVIGATION		NIGHT		
	1,000-mile flight completed	TOTAL Hours	UNDER HOOD Hours	OTHER Hours	NAVIGATION Hours	OTHER Hours	1,000-mile flight completed	TOTAL Hours	NAVIGATION Hours	OTHER Hours	
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<b>Totals this report</b>											
<b>Previous reports this F. Y.</b>											
<b>Totals this fiscal year</b>											

COMBAT TIME THIS MO - 6.05  
 PREV. MO -  
 TOTAL COMBAT TIME - 6.05

I certify that I have made frequent checks of the method of preparation of flight records, and have assured myself that the information contained on this form is an accurate summary of the individual's flying time, and that the symbols used correctly record the type of missions flown, and

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

Date SEPT. 10, 1943

Signed FREDERICK S. CIRENGIONE, 2nd Lieut., A. C.  
 OPERATIONS OFFICER

Sortie time this mo. 6.10  
 previous mos. 7.10  
 TOTAL TIME

DUPLICATE

Hq: S05-5-43/25M/9090

# INDIVIDUAL FLIGHT RECORD

NAME FETZER, EDWARD J. JR.  
 RANK 2nd Lieut., A. C.  
 AERO. RATINGS BOMB. 10/31/42  
 TRANSFERRED FROM \_\_\_\_\_  
 TO \_\_\_\_\_ DATE AUG. 43

MONTH(S) AUGUST, 1943  
 GROUP 387th BOMB. GP  
 ORGANIZATION—Assigned 556th BOMB SQ.  
 ORG.—Attached for flying \_\_\_\_\_  
 STATION # 162

1 Date	2 Duty	3 Mission Symbol	4 PILOT TIME BY AIRPLANE TYPE						5 Aircraft Model Symbol	6 No. of Landings	7 Other Than Pilot	8 REMARKS	
			Attack	Bomb.	Obs.	Pursuit	Cargo	Training					
2	BN	T							B-26B21	1	2.8	Round Robin	
9	BN	T							B-26B21	1	1.8	Local (Sortie # 1)	
15	BN	T ✓	LAUT JAMET							B-26B21	1	1.5	162-East Church
15	X	T							B-26B21	1	0.3	East Church-162	
24	BN	C ✓	DUBISSARY							B-26B21	1	2.5	Diversional
25	BN	C ✓	HANGOVER HUT							B-26B21	1	2.5	Sortie # 2
27	BN	T							B-26B21	1	1.8	Local	
31	BN	C ✓	Q Q Q Q							B-26B21	1	2.9	Sortie # 3
<b>TOTALS</b>									9 Total pilot time	10 Total other than pilot	11 Pilot time nonmilitary airplanes	12	
This report										15.7			
Previous reports this F. Y.										7.8			
Totals this fiscal year										23.5			
Totals previous years										249.7			
Totals to date										273.2			

**\*DUTY SYMBOLS\***  
 P—Pilot      B—Bomber      R—Radio operator  
 GP—Copilot    OB—Observer    PH—Photographer  
 N—Navigator    E—Engineer    O—Other crew  
 C—Command Pilot    G—Gunner      X—Passenger

DUPLICATE

NOTE.—When the airplane is assigned to an organization other than that to which the individual is assigned or attached for flying, show the airplane organization under Remarks, column 8.

SORTIE TIME THIS MO. 14.55  
" " PREV. MOS. 7.10  
TOTAL TIME 22.05

COMBAT TIME THIS MO - 12.25  
PREV. MO - 6.05  
JOINT COMBAT TIME - 18.30



Sortie Time This Mo. 12.20  
" " Prev. Mos. 22.05  
Total Time 34.25

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COMBAT TIME THIS MO. 12.20  
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SORTIE TIME THIS MO. 17.40  
" " " " PREV. MOS. 34.25  
TOTAL TIME 52.05

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COMBAT TIME THIS MO. 12.35  
PREV. MO. 28.25  
TOTAL COMBAT TIME 41.00

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# INDIVIDUAL FLIGHT RECORD

(1) NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE) **WILLIAMSON, JR., A. O.**  
 (2) GRADE **1ST LT.**  
 (3) BRANCH **AVIATION**  
 (4) ORGANIZATION ASSIGNED **1ST AVIATION GROUP**  
 (5) PRESENT DUTY STATION **1ST AVIATION GROUP**  
 (6) PRESENT DUTY DATE **10-21-45**  
 (7) ORIGINAL RATING & DATE **1ST LT. 10-21-45**  
 (8) FLIGHT RESTRICTIONS **None**  
 (9) TRANSFERRED FROM **None**  
 (10) TRANSFERRED TO **None**  
 (11) DEPARTMENT **Aviation**  
 (12) DETACHMENT **1st Av. Grp.**  
 (13) ATTACHED FOR DUTY **None**  
 (14) INVOICE NO. **1881**

MONTH	YEAR	STATION	SQUADRON		WING	COMMAND	REMARKS	GRADE	SERIES	RATED PERS.		NON-RATED		SPECIAL INFORMATION	
			NO.	TYPE						NON-PILOT	PILOT	ARMED	OTHER	INSTL.	INSTR.
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"UNRECORDED CONTACT"  
 CAPTAIN WILLIAMSON, JR.  
 1st Lt. A. O.  
 Operations Director

**COMBAT TIME THIS MO - 16.00**  
**" " PREV. MO - 41.00**  
**TOTAL COMBAT TIME - 57.00**

(14) TOTAL PILOT TIME **18.15**  
 (13) TOTAL FIRST PILOT TIME **52.05**  
 (12) TOTAL STUNTED PILOT TIME **70.30**

CARD NO. 1  
 CARD NO. 2  
 CARD NO. 3

**Sortie Time This Mo. 18.15**  
**Prev. Mos. 52.05**  
**Total Time 70.30**



# INDIVIDUAL FLIGHT RECORD

(1) NAME: [REDACTED] (2) GRADE: [REDACTED] (3) SERVICE NO.: [REDACTED]  
 (4) STATION: [REDACTED] (5) AIR FORCE: [REDACTED] (6) BRANCH: [REDACTED]  
 (7) ORIGINAL RATING & DATE: [REDACTED] (8) FLIGHT RESERVATIONS: [REDACTED]  
 (9) TRANSFER DATE: [REDACTED]

(10) MONTH: [REDACTED] (11) YEAR: [REDACTED]

DATE	TIME	TYPE	REMARKS
10-21-42	1.30	Combat	[REDACTED]
10-21-42	1.30	Combat	[REDACTED]
10-21-42	1.30	Combat	[REDACTED]
10-21-42	1.30	Combat	[REDACTED]
10-21-42	1.30	Combat	[REDACTED]

(12) SIGNATURE: [REDACTED]  
 (13) TITLE: [REDACTED]

COMBAT TIME THIS MO - 7.50  
 " " PREJ. MO - 57.00  
 TOTAL COMBAT TIME - 64.50

(14) TOTAL TIME: [REDACTED]  
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 (17) TOTAL TIME: [REDACTED]  
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 (20) TOTAL TIME: [REDACTED]



DAILY LOG

1. TIME OF ARRIVAL: 08:00  
 2. NAME OF VESSEL: [Illegible]  
 3. NAME OF CAPTAIN: [Illegible]  
 4. NAME OF COMMANDER: [Illegible]  
 5. NAME OF ENGINEER: [Illegible]  
 6. NAME OF DECKHAND: [Illegible]  
 7. NAME OF HELPER: [Illegible]  
 8. NAME OF BOATMAN: [Illegible]

TIME	DESCRIPTION	TIME	DESCRIPTION	TIME	DESCRIPTION
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10:00	END	10:00	END	10:00	END
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10:30	SEARCH	10:30	SEARCH	10:30	SEARCH
10:45	REPORT	10:45	REPORT	10:45	REPORT
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COMBAT TIME THIS MO - - 26.05  
 " " PREV. MO - - 64.50  
 TOTAL COMBAT TIME - 90.55

SORTIE TIME THIS MO. 30.5  
 " " PREV. MOS. 28.2  
 TOTAL TIME 109.2



COMBAT TIME THIS MO - 72.55  
" " PREV. MO - 90.55  
TOTAL COMBAT TIME - 103.50

SORTIE TIME THIS MO. 15.4  
PREV. MO. 109.2  
TOTAL TIME 125.0













(45) Sortie Time This Month ----- 15.55  
(46) Sortie Time Previous Months - 172.00  
(47) Total Sortie Time ----- 187.55





# 556th BOMB. SQUADRON

## CASUALTIES

1942-1945

### FEB-1943

TRN	2ND LT.	KOLB, VICTOR, H.	PILOT
TRN	2ND LT.	DAWSON, R.	CP
TRN	2ND LT.	ELSON, J.R.	B/N
TRN	S/SGT.	LUZAK, M.J.	ROG
TRN.	S/SGT.	ALLEN, W.H.	EG

### APR-1943

TRN	2ND LT.	HAUSCH, E.J.	PILOT
TRN	2ND LT.	BASKIN, R.J.	CP
TRN	2ND LT.	BAILEY, R.E.	B/N
TRN	S/SGT.	JONES, J.H.	ROG
TRN.	PVT.	BEAL, L.C.	EG
TRN	PFC	MILLER, F.P.	Photo.
TRN	2ND LT.	STERPOLE, P.R.	PILOT
TRN.	2ND LT.	ALLEN, T.F.	CP
TRN	2ND LT.	KOZEL, W.S.	B/N
TRN	T/SGT.	Van NATTA, M.E.	ROG
TRN.	S/SGT.	SMITH, F.E.	EG
TRN.	S/SGT.	TRAINER, C.F.	AG

### SEP-1943

KIA	2ND LT.	BROWN, E.H.	PILOT
KIA	2ND LT.	OGILVIE, W.S.	CP
KIA	2ND LT.	OLNEY, H.G.	B/N
KIA	S/SGT.	THOMPSON, A.T.	ROG
KIA	S/SGT.	HESSE, N.F.	EG
KIA	S/SGT.	LEACH, D.J.	AG

### NOV-1943

KIA	1ST LT.	WATSON, JESS A.	PILOT
KIA	S/SGT.	CHRISTLEY, C.L.	EG

### FEB-1944

KIA	1ST LT.	ALFORD, T.L.	PILOT
KIA	2ND LT.	HUNT, W.W.	CP
KIA	1ST LT.	KOURY, M.G.	B/N
KIA	T/SGT.	AUTHUR, R.M.	ROG
KIA	S/SGT.	LAWRENCE, C.M.	EG
KIA	S/SGT.	DALRYMPLE, C.E.	AG

### MAR-1944

KIA	1ST LT.	SARGENT, E.D.	PILOT
KIA	2ND LT.	OGDEN, D.L.	CP
KIA	2ND LT.	DILLIONAIRE, E.J.	PILOT
KIA	T/SGT.	NORDLOHNE, R.A.	ROG

### MAR-1944 (CONT.)

KIA	S/SGT.	SIMOSKI, J.H.	EG
KIA	S/SGT.	OGILVIE, P.	EG
KIA	S/SGT.	BEAR, HARRY	AG

### MAY-1944

MIA	2ND LT.	HANNA, D.R.	PILOT
MIA	1ST LT.	HALNON, H.J.	B/N

### AUG-1944

KIA	1ST LT.	MORSON, R.B.	B/N
KIA	1ST LT.	BRANTLEY, J.H.	PILOT

### NOV-1944

OTC	1ST LT.	FARR, L.E.	
OTC	S/SGT	CHAMPION, L.	EG

### DEC-1944

KIA	CAPT.	WATTERS, F.L.	Ft. Surg.
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### JAN-1945

KIA	S/SGT.	LEIPSE, R.A.	AG
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### MAR-1945

KIA	2ND LT.	MAGOWAN, G.G.	PILOT
KIA	2ND LT.	PALLONE, J.M.	CP
KIA	SGT.	MARTIN, D.S.	ROG
KIA	SGT.	GROSS, W.R.	EG
KIA	S/SGT.	PARKER, E.J.	AG
KIA	SGT.	ENGLISH, R.C.	Togg.

### APR-1945

KIA	1ST LT.	BATES, R.W.	PILOT
KIA	1ST LT.	WARNER, G.E.	B/N
KIA	2ND LT.	BANGERT, F.F.	CP
KIA	SGT.	WIGG, L.S.	ROG
KIA	S/SGT.	HOMER, A.	EG
KIA	SGT.	MARR, M.L.	AG
KIA	2ND LT.	STROUD, J.D.	PILOT
KIA	SGT.	SIETZ, W.D.	ROG
KIA	SGT.	KENDRICK, O.D.	EG
KIA	SGT.	RYEL, G.A.	EG
KIA	SGT.	HODGSON, A.T.	Togg.

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**1943****CASUALTIES****1945**

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**APR-1945 (cont.)**

KIA	2ND LT.	WALKER, E.L.	PILOT
KIA	2ND LT.	OPALKA, L.	CP
KIA	2ND LT.	SWIFT, G. L.	B/N
KIA	T/SGT.	PAPILE, F.M.	ROG
KIA	SGT.	SCALZO, J.J.	EG
KIA	SGT.	KALAS, G.G.	AG

**MAY-1945**

OTC	1ST LT.	PATTERSON, G.W.	PILOT
OTC	2ND LT.	SIBINSKI, R.W.	CP
OTC	S/SGT.	STAFFORD, H.V.	EG
Jeep	2ND LT.	YOUNG, R.K	(Pilot)

*"Where there is sorrow, there is holy ground."*

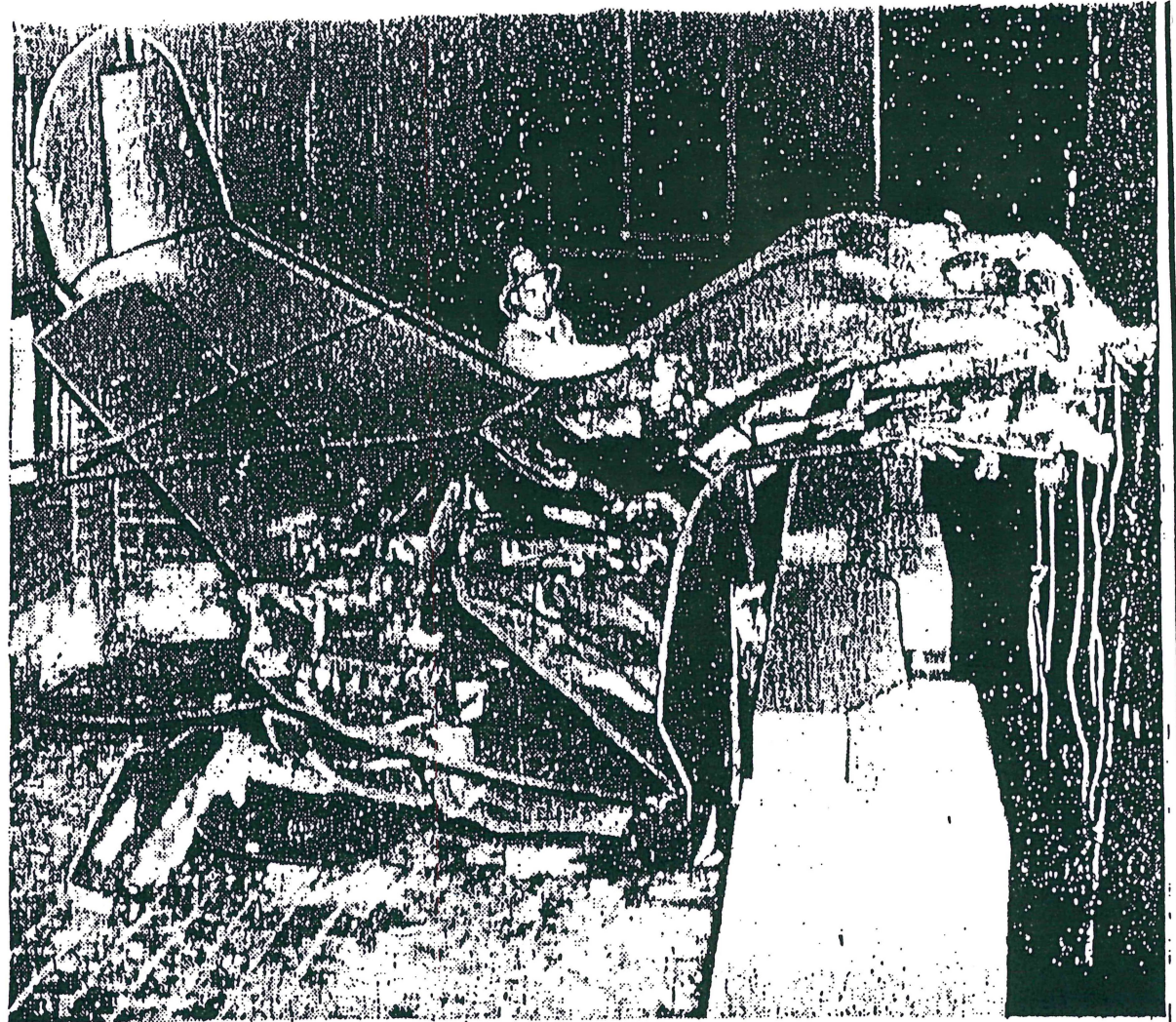
Oscar Wilde

**Abbreviations Used:**

<b>TRN</b>	Killed during stateside training
<b>OTC</b>	Operational Training Casualty
<b>KIA</b>	Killed in Action



aping hole in wall bears testimony to great force with which the plane crashed.—AP Wirephoto.



Tail assembly of wrecked plane is lashed on ledge about 11 floors up after fall from the 58th floor, where it crashed.—AP Wirephoto.

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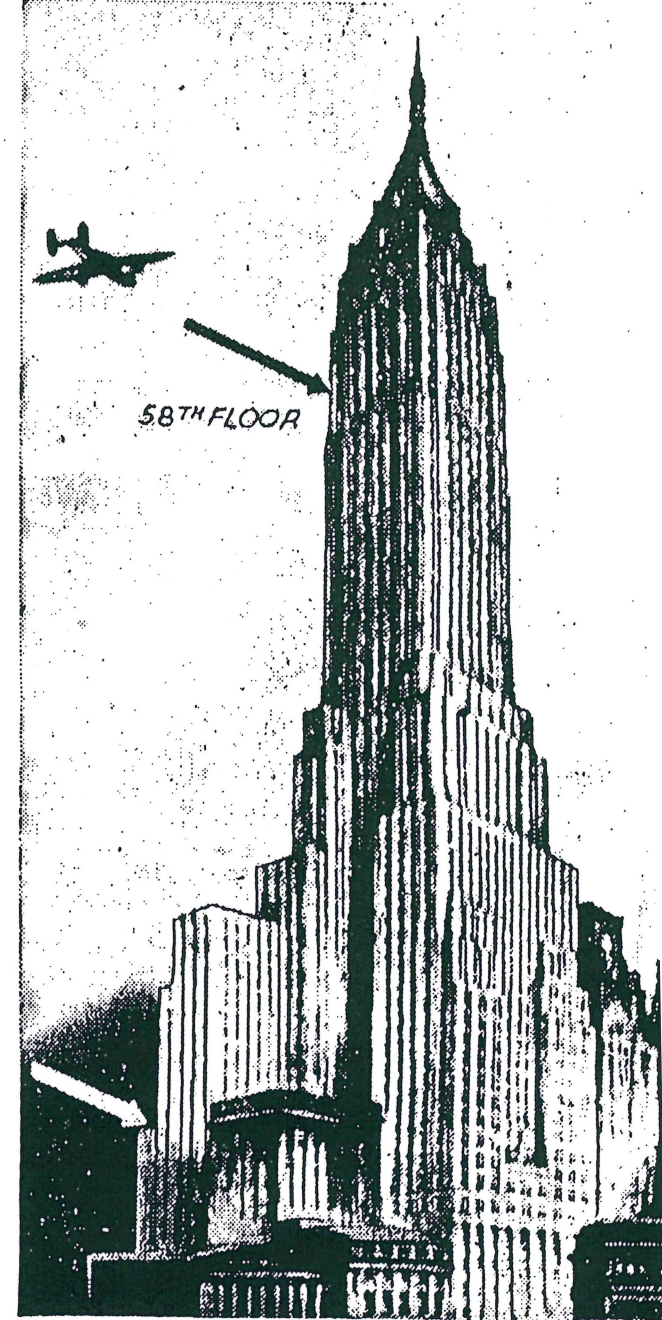
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# Where 5 Met Death as Plane Crashed Into Skyscrap



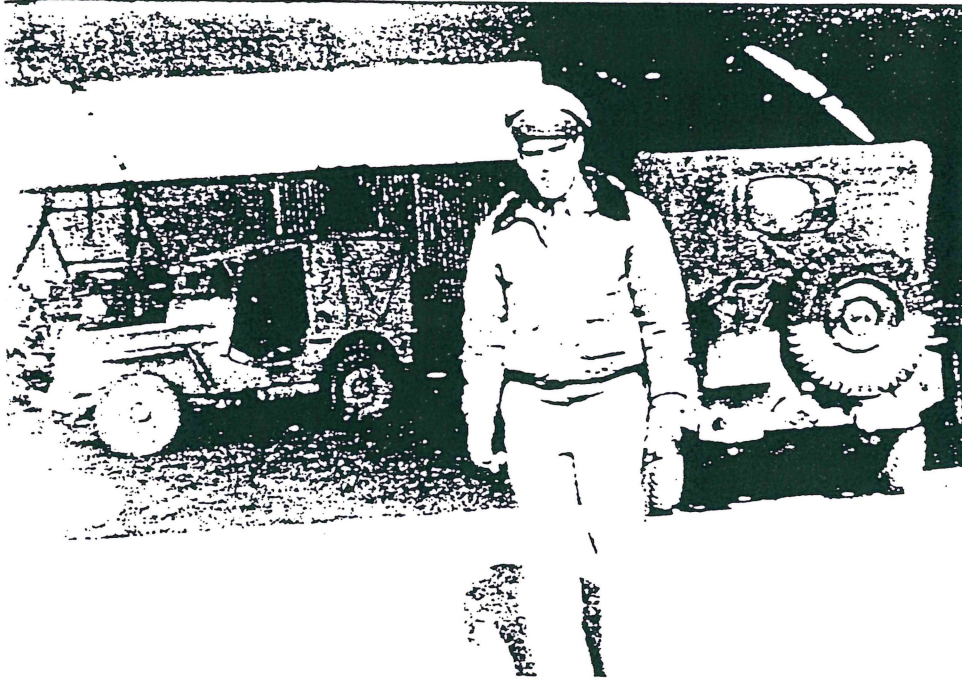
Men probe wreckage of forward section of Army C-45 transport in offices of Atlas Corp. in Bank of Manhattan Building where plane crashed, killing five persons on board.—AP Wirephoto.



Top arrow shows where plane crashed and exploded and lower arrow indicates where some of wreckage fell.—Acme Photo.

# ★ ★ ★ PLANE HITS SKYSCRAPER ★ ★ ★

## 5 Die in Crash 58 Stories High



### Death Pilot

Pontiac Flier Earned  
Many Decorations



MAJ. MANSEL R. CAMPBELL



Mrs. Campbell and son Ross

PONTIAC, Mich., May 21.—(AP)—Maj. Mansel R. Campbell, 27, pilot of the plane which crashed into the Manhattan skyscraper, was a flying enthusiast even before entering the Army Air Corps.

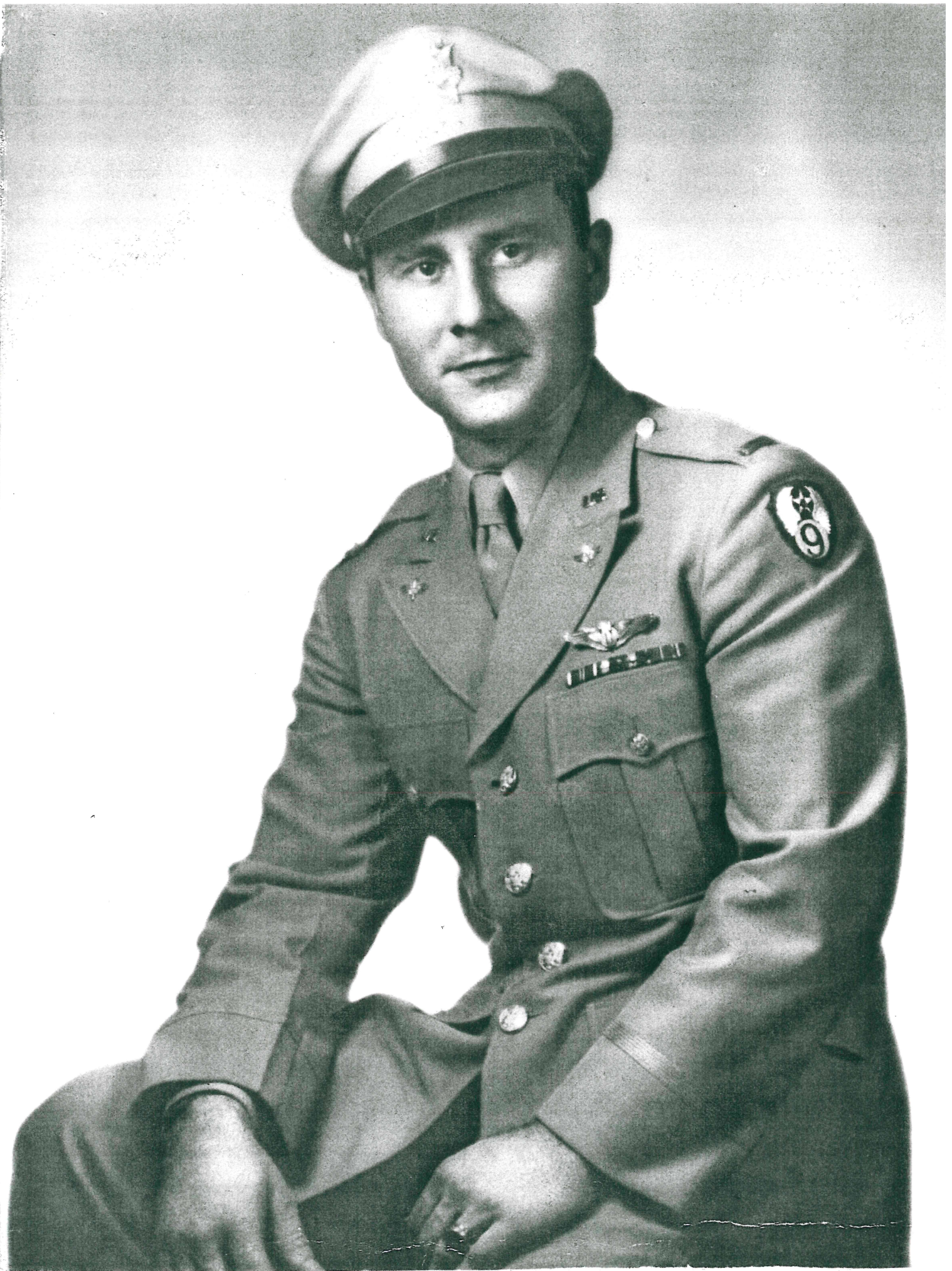
He held a private pilot's license and had more than 150 hours' flying time when he joined the Air Corps in 1943. His wife, Mona, holds a parachute packer's license. She is credited with having made several jumps.

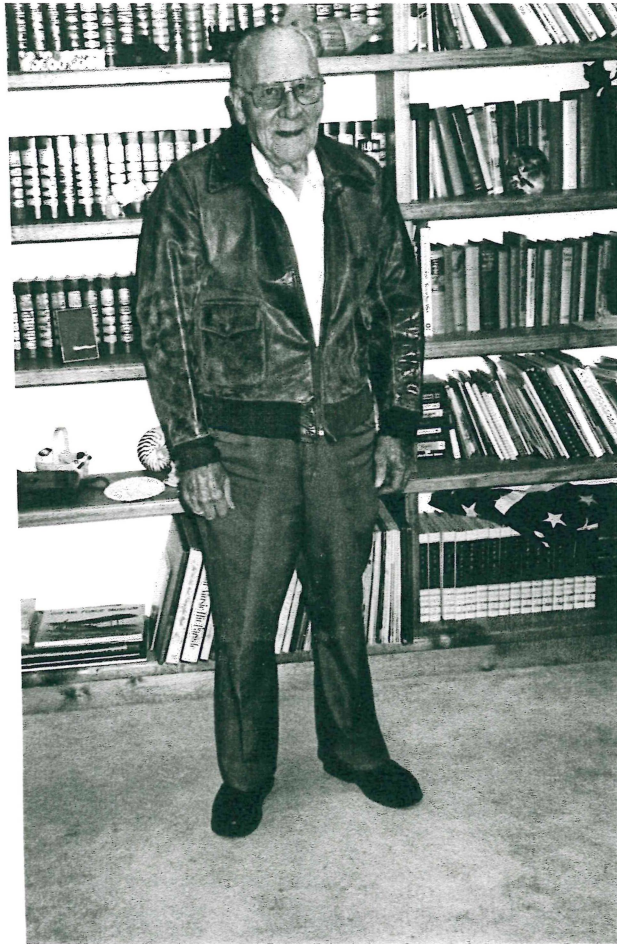
The major's mother, Mrs. Isabelle Campbell, now lives at Brimley and his wife and their son, Ross, 6, are at Barrytown.

Maj. Campbell was employed at the Pontiac Motors Division of General Motors Corp. before going into the Army.

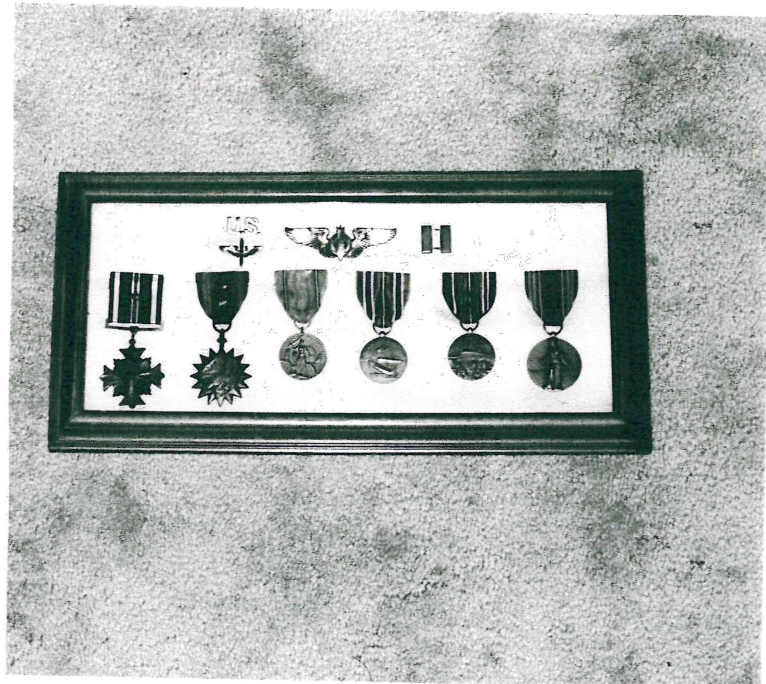
He went overseas in June, 1943. His decorations include the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Air Medal with 11 Oak Leaf clusters, Purple Heart and Presidential unit citation.

Maj. Campbell was born in Sault Ste. Marie, Mich.





EDWARD J. F. FETZER  
B-26 BOMBARDIER/NAVIGATOR IN WWII  
(WEARING HIS USAAF-ISSUED A-2 FLIGHT JACKET)



HIS UNIFORM INSIGNIA AND MEDALS

PHOTOS TAKEN AT HIS RESIDENCE IN BLOOMINGTON, IL ON 6 OCT 2001