

SERVICE RECORD



Name M. J. WHALEN

Address ANAMOSA, IOWA

Serial No. 16081246

Entered Service

Date AUG. 24, 1942

Place CHICAGO

Branch of Service AIR FORCE

Remarks: RESERVE

Training Period

Date NOV. 11, 1942

Camp F. T. SHERIDAN

Location ILLINOIS

RECEPTION CENTER

Organization _____

Commanding Officer _____

Training Camps

Camp BLOOMINGTON, ILL.

Date NOV. 1942 - FEB. 1943

Camp SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

Date FEB. 43 - MAY, 1943

Camp PINE BLUFF, ARK.

Date MAY 1943, JULY 1943

Camp JEFFERSON BKS., MO.

Date JULY, 1943

SIOUX FALLS, S.D.

JULY 1943 - JAN, 1944

TUMA, ARIZONA

JAN. 1944 - MAR. 1944

10 DAY DELAY IN ROUTE

TO LINCOLN, NEBR.

aviation cadet pre-flight school
- primary flight school - washed-out
repeated air sickness during aerobatics
- re-assignment

- radio school

- aerial gunner school

combat crew formed.

Where our crew was first formed.

This was a routing base where crews were put together. See Copy of Special Orders NO. 33 - 29 April 1944

B-24 phase training

* Wallace B. Tinslow joined us here.

picked up new B-24 Liberator - air transport flew up from factory at Ft. Worth, Texas stopped overnight for rest + refueling stopped overnight for rest + refueling

stopped overnight for rest and refueling

Left the new B-24 Bomber at war modification center took train to Stone England - army base.

4 officers and radio operator flown to a base in northern Ireland for about a weeks training familiarize with navigational and radio procedures in European Theatre of operations at conclusion of which we were flown directly to combat base near Shipham. Rest of crew had already been shipped there. See copy of Special Order 215

Transfers

From LINCOLN, NEBR. MAR. 44
To COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO
Date MAR APRIL 30, 1944
To MOUNTAIN HOME, IDAHO
Date JUNE 11, 1944
To TOPEKA, KANSAS
Date JULY 17, 1944
To MANCHESTER, N.H.
Date JULY 22, 1944
To GOOSE BAY, LABRADOR
Date JULY 29, 1944
To MEERS FIELD, ICELAND
Date JULY 30, 1944
To VALLEY, WALES
Date JULY 31, 1944
To STONE, ENGLAND
AUG. 1, 1944
To NEAR - WITH 85 mi. BELFAST, N. IRELAND
AUG 5, 1944 (KATO TO E)
To SHIPHAM, ENG. AUG, 1944

Military Record

Completed Training

Date _____
Place _____

American Port _____

Mustered Out at _____

Date _____

MISSIONS IN THE E.T.O.
SALZBERGEN-OIL REFINERY
BERLIN-AIRCRAFT ENGINES
KARLSRUHE-MARSHALLING YDS.
ULM-MARSHALLING YDS.
HANOVER-OIL REFINERY
BEST-SUPPLIES TO PARATROOPS
HAMM-MARSHALLING YDS.
KASSEL-TANK MFG. PLANT
HAMM-MARSHALLING YDS.
LIPPSTADT-AIR DROME
HAMBURG-AIRCRAFT ENG. PLT.
OSNABRUCK-MARSHALLING YDS.
KOLN-FORD MOTOR WORKS
LEVERKUSEN-CHEMICAL PLANT
DORTMUND-OIL REFINERY
KARLSRUHE-MARSHALLING YDS.
STERKRADE-SYNTHETIC OIL PLT.
HARBURG-SYNTHETIC OIL PLT.
BINGEN-MARSHALLING YDS.
BIELEFELD-RAILROAD VIADUCT
PADERBORN-RAILROAD VIADUCT

Wallace B. Tinslow flew
most of these missions. He missed
a few in late 44 or 45 or I believe
on recommendation of the flight
Surgeon. Mike Whalen

Missions flown by our crew
in European Theater of
Operations - continued next
page.

Except for two low level
missions, and battle of the
bulge missions to 5 to 10 thousand
feet the remainder were high
level bombing from 18,000 to
22,000 feet by in large.

KOBLENZ - RAILROAD BRIDGE
LANDAU - SUPPLY DEPOT
OBERSTIEN - MARSHALLING YDS.
BURG REULAND - RAILWAY INTERSECTION
HAMM - MARSHALLING YDS.
MAGDEBURG - MARSHALLING YDS.
GOTTINGEN - MARSHALLING YDS.
SIEGEN - MARSHALLING YDS.
ASCHAFFENBURG - TANK ASSY. PLT.
HARBURG - SYNTHETIC OIL PLT.
BETZDORF - MARSHALLING YDS.
BIELFELD - RAILROAD VIADUCT
GUTERSLOH - MARSHALLING YDS.
HIMMINGSTEDT - SYNTHETIC OIL PLT.
WESSEL - SUPPLIES TO AIRBORNE TROOPS
SCHWANDORF - RAILWAY INTERSECTION

SIX SUPPORT MISSIONS
BATTLE OF THE BULGE
DECEMBER, 1944

My discharge says
we left ETO on 31 May '45
and arrived in U.S. 3 June '45
so I may be a day off
here - probably am.

We left the airplane at Bradley Field
Windsor Locks, Conn. We were separated
at Camp Miles Standish near Boston and
put on troop trains to bases close to our
respective homes for 30 day leave.

Just saw Wallace B. Tinslow
at Sioux Falls, S. D. after our
30 day leave. I believe he was
shipped to California for
discharge. I ~~that~~ volunteered
to go to Pacific or I still had
a brother fighting down there. I was
sent to Great Bend, Kansas to
train on B-29.

Things I Want To Remember

LEFT SHIPDHAM, ENG
MAY 30, 1945 - FLEW
TO VALLEY, WALES -
MECKS FIELD, ICELAND,
BLUE WEST L, GREEN-
LAND - BRADLEY FLD,
WINDSOR LOCKS, CONN.,
ARRIVING JUNE 2, 1945
SENT TO CAMP MYLES
STANDISH NEAR
BOSTON THEN TO JEFFERSON
BKS, MO - GIVEN THIRTY
DAY FURLOUGH FROM
THERE - REPORT BACK
JULY 12, 1945
JULY 1945 BACK TO
JEFFERSON BARACKS -
ST. LOUIS. THEN TO
SIOUX FALLS S. DAK.
VOLUNTEERED FOR - assigned to

GREAT BEND KANSAS
TO TRAIN ON B-29²-
FOR PACIFIC COMBAT-
TRAINING THERE HALTED
WHEN JAPAN SURREND-
ERED IN AUGUST 45-
SENT TO JEFFERSON
BARRACKS, ST. LOUIS
FOR DISCHARGE

John J. Thompson
70 Bn 839
Kumas, Japan

Paul W. Caldwell
Kumas, Japan