

April 18, 2000

Dear Jossaine,

The enclosed material is in response to our telephone talk of January 18, 2000. I'm sorry I've been so slow. Things get scattered and it takes a while to try and get them pulled back together.

I don't know what base Wally came from when he joined us at Mountain Home, Idaho. Maybe navigation school. Sometimes they would pull fellows out of one school and send them somewhere else ^{and} the demand of the moment might require. as you will note from the material enclosed the 44th Bomb Group had been in England, and temporary service in North Africa, long before we joined it as a replacement crew in 1944. We started flying combat missions in 506 Squadron, 44th Bomb Group in late summer of 1944 and continued until the war ended in Europe. With sincere best wishes to Jan. Michael

While we were at Peterson Field,
Colorado Springs, Colorado and
Mountain Home Army Air Field we
were engaged in what the air
crew called phase training we were
learning to operate as a crew - flying
practical bombing missions, navigation
missions, gunnery practice, high
altitude flying and learning to use
the equipment on a B-24 Liberator
Bomber.