

Ruben E Krezer

Krezer, Ruben E., SSG USAAF, 338th Bombardment Squadron, HQ 96th Bombardment Group, KIA, May 5, 1944 – Europe. Enlisted Nov 4, 1942 at Houston, Pvt, Air Corps. Was on 17th combat mission, was left waist gunner and asst radio operator, plane (B-17G model) hit over Erbach, Germany, and he was thrown against the roof causing fatal injury. Germans recovered body and dog tags.

Born Jan. 26, 1924, Next of Kin listed as Mrs Alma Krezer, Rt 3, Box 104, Lexington, Texas. Body returned to US and buried at Germana Cemetery, Lexington, Texas. Ruben Kretzer (sic) pictured as a sophomore in the 1939 Lexington High school year book.

Census information – as of 11.20.2015 – his parents found in 1920 Lee county, pct 8 census-- Ernst C (27) and Alma A.H. (nee Frosch) (23) Krezer (Kreger) with daughter Ella. Family not founds as of this date in the 1930 or 1940 census records)

1910 Lee county, pct 4 census – Ernest Carl Krezer (17) was at home with parents – George (57) and Katrina (57) Krezer

1910 Lee county, pct 4 census – Alma Frosch (17) at home with parents, William O. (35) and Helena [Herklotz] (33) Frosch. Also in household – sons- Ewald (11); Herbert (8); Otto Jr (8/12) and daughter, Otilia (5).

1920 Lee county, pct 4 census – Otto (44) and Helene (42) Frosch had the following children living at home – Awald (20); Herbert (17); Otilie (4); Otto (11); Clarence (7) and Flora (4).

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Birth: Jan. 26, 1924

Death: May 12, 1944

Tex Staff Sgt. 96 AAF Bomb Group WWII. Killed in Europe.

Burial: Germana Cemetery
Lexington, Lee County, Texas, USA

picture furnished by Melvin Krezer



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| NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) 293 KREZER RUBEN E. | | STATE Texas | RANK S SGT |
| DATE OF BIRTH (Month, Day, Year) Jan. 26, 1924 | | DATE OF DEATH (Month, Day, Year) May 12, 1944 | |
| NAME OF CEMETERY Germania Cemetary | | U. S. REGIMENT, STATE ORGANIZATION, AND DIVISION 338 Bombardment Sqdn., 96th Bomb Grp. (H) 8th Air Force <i>A/2-AC 413 Bomb Sq.</i> | |
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| NEAREST FREIGHT STATION (City and State) Lexington, Texas | | POST OFFICE ADDRESS OF CONSIGNEE Lexington, Texas | |
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| FOR VERIFICATION 26 SEP 1949 ORDERED COLUMBUS, MISS. 20 OCT 1949 B/L 6333469 SHIPPED | | APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE <i>Alma Krezer</i> 9/9/49 DATE OF APPLICATION Lexington, Texas, Box 35 | |

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