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5th Division Renovation

Many thanks to Mr. Jean Marie and the Souvenir Francais for their help in renovating one of the 5th Division WWI monuments. American War Memorials Overseas paid for the materials and the Souvenir Francais provided the labor to beautifully repair this site. The 5th Division put up 27 such steles after WWI, many of which have fallen into disrepair.



American War Memorials Overseas Update:

We have been working with our web programmer to make some database improvements—please check them out. Now when you search for a monument, your search results include a map plotting each of the sites in your search. Also, we have added a link to return you to your list of search results so you do not have to redo the entire search when you go to one of the monuments on your search result list. Our next improvement will be to accept credit cards directly for donations.

Captain Darrell R. Lindsey



On his 46th combat mission, Captain Darrell R. Lindsey was the pilot of the lead plane of a formation of 30 B-26 Bombers from the 394th Bombardment Group on a mission to bomb the critical bridge over the Oise River north of Paris. Lindsey's right engine took a direct hit, engulfing the bomber's wing in flames. Although the B-26 was severely damaged, Lindsey was able to maintain the lead and complete the bombing run. He then held the plane level until his crew was able to bail out safely. Before Captain Lindsey was able to bail out, his Bomber exploded and crashed. Captain Lindsey was the only Marauder Bomber Pilot to receive the Medal of Honor for service in World War II. Today, Captain Lindsey and his crew are honored on a memorial next to the town hall in Saint Prix, France. Darrell R.

Lindsey's remains were not recovered. He is listed on the Tablets of the Missing at Ardennes American Cemetery, Neupre, Belgium. The citation for Lindsey's Medal of Honor ends with these words: "All who are living today from this plane owe their lives to the fact that Captain Lindsey remained cool and showed supreme courage in this emergency."



HOMMAGE AUX AVIATEURS AMERICAINS
ABATTUS SUR SAINT-PRIX
LE 9 AOÛT 1944
UN B-26 MARAUDER DU 394 BG(M)
DE L'U.S.A.A.F.
TOMBE ALLEE DES TILLEULS
Pilote: Capt. Darrell R. LINDSEY †
Copi: 2nd Lt Arthur C. ERBE
Bomb: 1st Lt Harley R. HOOPER
Rad.: Sgt Perla R. FEES Jr.
Mitr: S/Sgt Donald E. WILSON †
Mitr-S/Sgt Albert P. LAWSON
Nav: 1st Lt William J. SMITH
Nav: 1st Lt Gerald HYSOON
Rad.: TSgt Richard E. WYLIE

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