



Second Lieutenant James Charles Edgar

MIA June 30, 1944 North Atlantic

James Charles Edgar was born in February 1920 in Detroit, Michigan. After his father lost his job in 1931, the family relocated to New York, and then to Hawthorne, New Jersey residing at 368 Diamond Bridge Avenue. Jimmy entered Hawthorne High School in 1935 where he played on the high school football and basketball teams.

In 1939 James accepted employment in the billing department of Wright Aeronautical Corporation in Paterson. After the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, James enlisted in the Army Air Corps in February 1943, and after completing basic training and B-24 training. As navigator, he and his B-24 bomber crew left Goose Bay, Labrador on June 30, 1944 for Meeks Field in Iceland.

The Missing Air Crew Report for Lt. Edgar provides the following details of their flight on June 30, 1944. Their plane was tracked by radar for sixty-six miles, but Lt. Edgar's B-24 did not arrive Meeks Field. No distress calls were reported and no sightings were reported. A search was conducted, but there were no sightings of survivor or wreckage. The men were classified as "missing in action". He is memorialized at the *Tablets of the Missing* at East Cost Memorial, Battery Park, New York City.

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