



ATTENTION: AFPPA-8

HEADQUARTERS, ARMY AIR FORCES
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August 9, 1944.

Mrs. Ruth I. Snyder,
1239 North El Molino Avenue,
Los Angeles, California.

Dear Mrs. Snyder:

I am writing you with reference to your husband, First Lieutenant Howard J. Snyder, who was reported by The Adjutant General as missing in action over France since February 8th.

Further information has been received which indicates that Lieutenant Snyder was a crew member of a B-17 (Flying Fortress) bomber which departed from England on a bombardment mission to Frankfurt, Germany, on February 8th. Details are not available, the report indicating that it is believed your husband's Fortress sustained damage in an encounter with enemy aircraft at approximately 12:35 p.m. over France. The report further states that parachutes were used, but the exact number is unknown. This constitutes all the information available in this headquarters at the present time.

For your information, I am inclosing a list of those who were in the plane and the names and addresses of their next of kin.

Please be assured that a continuing search by land, sea, and air is being made to discover the whereabouts of our missing personnel. As our armies advance over enemy occupied territory, special troops are assigned to this task, and all agencies of the government in every country are constantly sending in details which aid us in bringing additional information to you.

Very sincerely,

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