

Crew 7490, 748th Squadron, 459th Bombardment Group, US Army Air Force



This photo was taken in September 1944 in Casper, Wyoming to mark the crew's achieving the "Crew of the Week" award. The group, soon after this photo was taken, graduated after completing Advanced Flight Training (B-24) and were then sent to Italy (Giulia [Joy-ya] Air Force Base, Cerignola, Italy).

Bottom Row, Left to Right:

Frederick H. <u>Fastenau, Jr.</u>	1 st Lieutenant and Navigator
Russell Wells	Co-Pilot
Russell <u>Newquist</u>	Pilot
Charlie Hall	Bombardier

Top Row, Left to Right:

Willis Cooper	Tech Sgt. and Gunner (Left Waist Gunner, Radio Operator, Mechanic Gunner)
Roy Erickson	Tech Sgt. and Flight Engineer-Gunner
Gail McIntosh (Mac)	Staff Sgt. and Tail Gunner
Ivey N. Brown (Brownie)	Staff Sgt. and <u>Armorer</u> Gunner (Right Waist Gunner)
Joseph C. <u>Hrastar</u>	Staff Sgt. and Ball Turret Gunner
Lyle <u>Boggess</u>	Staff Sgt. and Asst. <u>Armorer</u> and Nose Gunner