BEAUTIFUL BETSY

Serial No.: 42-40387

Model: B-24D-53-CO



Source: Horton, Best in the Southwest, color profiles, center of book.

Original Nose Art - OD



Source: Best in the Southwest, p. 41.



Source: Best in the Southwest, p. 72.



Wooden dummies were used for practice sessions with the RAAF. *Source: Best in the Southwest*, p. 474.



Roth Crew *Source: King of the Heavies*, p. 160.



ROTH CREW

Crew members who participated in a bombing mission over Balikpapan, Borneo. Front Row, L-R: S/Sgt Ben Rocha of Greeley, CA, asst radio operator; T/Sgt Richard Rone of Sutherlin, OR, engineer; S/Sgt Houston Burkhart of Nelta, TX, tail gunner; and S/Sgt Harold F. Morrison of Marquette, KS, top turret gunner. Back row, L-R: Capt. Joe Roth of Lincoln, NE, pilot; Lt E.R. Zeiss of Downers Grove, IL, copilot, 2Lt G.E. Peterson of Lake Geneva, WI, navigator; Lt F.F. Gorham of Houlton, ME, bombardier; T/Sgt J.L. Sword of Shoshone ID, radio operator; and S/Sgt D.R. Foretich of Elko, NV, nose gunner. 30

August 1943. Source: Joe Dally Collection. Caption from James Leddy.



Source: Joe Dally Collection.



Source: King of the Heavies, p. 35.

After Paint Stripping – NMF



Stripped of OD paint scheme but not her war record. This plane never had its "greenhouse" replaced with a nose turret. Source: Best in the Southwest, p. 307.



Source: Best in the Southwest, p. 307.



Source: King of the Heavies, p. 82.

Wreckage of the Crash



Final Resting Place, Kroombit Tops State Forest and National Park Queensland, Australia

Source: http://members.tripod.com/americanairmen/index.htm



Source: http://home.st.net.au/~dunn/ozcrashes/qld89.htm



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