

FEB 12 1946

NAVAL HISTORY DIVISION

ENSIGN JACK STANLEY BERKHEIMER, A-V(N), U. S. NAVAL RESERVE, ACTIVE, DECEASED

Re: Service of

1924 Jul 30 Born in Bremerton, Washington.

ENLISTED SERVICE

1942 Aug 11 Enlisted in U.S.N.R. for four years as Aviation Cadet.
1943 Nov 18 Enlistment terminated to accept appointment as Ensign, U.S.N.R.

OFFICER SERVICE

1943 Nov 19 Accepted appointment and executed oath of office as Ensign, U.S.N.R. A-V(N) to rank from 1 Nov 1943. Reported to Naval Air Training Center, Pensacola, Florida for temporary active duty involving flying.
Nov 19 Designated a Naval Aviator (Heavier-than-air).
Nov 20 Detached from Naval Air Training Center, Pensacola, Florida and ordered to Naval Air Station, Melbourne, Florida for temporary duty involving flying under instruction. Rep 23 Nov.
1944 Jan 17 Detached from Naval Air Station, Melbourne, Florida and ordered to Fleet Air, Quonset Point, Rhode Island, for further assignment to duty involving flying. Rep 20 Jan.
Feb 12 Detached from Fleet Air, Quonset Point, Rhode Island and ordered to Fighting Squadron Seventy-nine (N) for duty involving flying.

NAVY CROSS

AIR MEDAL

GOLD STAR in lieu of 2nd AIR MEDAL

PURPLE HEART

American Area Campaign Medal

Asiatic-Pacific Area Campaign Medal and two bronze stars

Philippine Liberation Ribbon

World War II Victory Medal

Died: 17 December 1945 - Presumptive

"Officially reported to be Missing in Action as of 16 December 1944, when the plane in which he was flying, a unit of Light Carrier Group Forty-one (Night), failed to return from a night target air patrol mission over Luzon Island, the Philippines. In compliance with said Section 50f Public Law 490, as amended, death is presumed to have occurred on the 17th day of December 1945."

Place: Luzon Island, The Philippines (Asiatic area)

Cause: Plane failed to return from a night target air
Patrol Mission. (Enemy action)