

TEEPLE, RICHARD JOEL

Technical sergeant, 373d Bombing Sq., 308th Bombardment Group, 14th Air Force, 35 334 754. Born 13 Sep. 1921 at Decatur, Ind., the son of David H. and Berneta (Reynolds) Teeple. Traffic clerk, Security Cartage Company, Fort Wayne; residence, Decatur. Inducted 7 Aug. 1942 and entered service 21 Aug. 1942. Training: Aerial Gunner School at Harlingen, Tex. Was engineer-gunner on Flying Fortress. Served in Caribbean sector before being sent to the India-China-Burma theater. Killed 28 May 1944 in a plane crash near Lung-ling, China. Buried temporarily at Kunming, China; later in Catholic Cemetery, Decatur.

Awarded Distinguished Flying Cross posthumously.