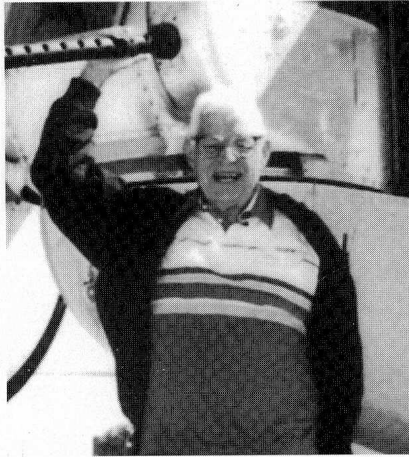


Cpl Henry R Ronson 824 Squadron



Cancer has claimed Cpl Henry R Ronson 824 Squadron. He was know as the "Old Tail Gunner." On one occasion the Association needed easels to display the large photographs that are displayed at the reunions. Hank picked up a casual remark he heard during a conversation, and arranged for high school students near his home to make the easels. He

refused reimbursement and suggested that the Association send a thank you letter to the school. The "Old Tail Gunner" was an early and ardent supporter of the Association.

Hank is survived by his wife Irene Tess. He was the tail gunner on Richard L Calkins' crew. He lived in Silver Springs, Maryland. He succumbed to cancer on October 4, 1996.

Sgt Ralph E Smith 826 Squadron

Sgt Ralph E Smith 826 Squadron, gunner on Lyle D Branson's crew has died. Anthony Lucca notified the association on September 29, 1996. Date of passing is unknown.

2/Lt Robert J Wehner 827 Squadron

2/Lt Robert J Wehner 73, a pilot with the 827 Squadron died suddenly in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. He was a professor of political science at Springfield College, and had taught previously at the University of Massachusetts and at State College, Keene, New Hampshire. He stayed in the service after the war and participated in the Berlin Airlift before his retirement from the Air Force in 1963. He is survived by his wife Elizabeth, four sons Robert Jr., William S, Thomas N, and James M, and three daughters, Barbara, Mary, and Therese, He lived in Ludlow, Massachusetts. Date of death is January 6, 1997



Left to right: Bob Wehner-P, Vic Watson-CP, Russ Hawes-N, and Ed Carlock-B



S/Sgt Ira J Whiteley 827 Squadron

S/Sgt Ira J Whiteley 827 Squadron tail gunner on John S Wise's crew passed away October 13, 1996

The association was notified by Adolph Marcus on February 8, 1997.

S/Sgt William E Whitted 824 Squadron

S/Sgt William E Whitted 824 Squadron gunner on William D Lawrence Jr's crew, passed away on June 13, 1988.

Adolph Marcus notified the association on January 24, 1997.

M/Sgt Bill A Whitty 825 Squadron

M/Sgt Bill A Whitty 825 Squadron passed away on April 24, 1987 as reported by Adolph Marcus January 24, 1997

Sgt Herbert J Whitworth 825 Squadron

Sgt Herbert F Whitworth 825 Squadron, the radio operator on Cecil R Ellis' crew passed away on July 31, 1990. He lived in Muskegon, Michigan.

Sgt Lyle D Wiggins

Lyle D Wiggins waist gunner on Orgene V Colvin's crew has passed away. Date of death is unknown. Notified by Adolph Marcus October 31, 1996

Sgt Rudolph H Wild 826 Squadron

Sgt Rudolph H Wild 826 Squadron engineer on Chester A Ray's crew passed away April 17, 1988. Notified by Adolph Marcus October 31, 1996

Cpl Carol Wilfong 824 Squadron

Cpl Carol Wilfong 824 Squadron died December 22, 1977 Notified by Adolph Marcus October 31, 1996

S/Sgt Cecil E Wilkinson 825 Squadron

S/Sgt Cecil E Wilkinson 825 Squadron ball gunner on Albert C Hitzing's crew died July 6,1981. Notified by Adolph Marcus October 30, 1996

S/Sgt Casimir W Willard

S/Sgt Casimir W Willard gunner died on November 30, 1981 Notified by Adolph Marcus October 30, 1996