The Last Mission

ALBERT W. TOLKAR, 766th Sq. A member of the 461st & 484th Bomb Groups Association, and a close friend of 766 Sq. 1st Sgt. John Tenery, passed away 24 Sept. 1983. Al was unmarried, providing a home for his widowed mother. He is survived by his sister, Wilma Stastny.

EDMUND F. WELBER, (765 Sq.) MOS 762 Airplane Engine Repairman passed away December 13, 1982. Mrs. Welber wrote us: "He had been sick and in a wheelchair for the last 4 years. He really enjoyed your newsletters and always hoped he would get well again so he could go to one of your conventions. I would have enjoyed that too. Wishing you continued success with the Association. Sincerely JANET WELBER"

ROBERT KELLY DUSENBERY, 765 Squadron Navigator, later Group Navigator, passed away 5 September 1977. His wife, Edith C. Dusenberry, who has joined the Association, advised us in a recent letter, Bob retired as a Colonel (USAF) after 30 years of service.

EDWARD F. STEELANDT (765th Sq.) died 25 February 1984 at the age of 68. He enlisted in the Army Air Forces 20 April 1943 and served as a Radio Operator/Gunner. His decorations included the Purple Heart and Soldier's Medal along with Campaign Medals. On Dec 17, 1944, his plane crashed into the Adriatic where he was wounded and was reported missing in action. He later was returned to duty after being rescued. He was a well known musician in Moline and Rock Island, Illinois, and was heard on WHBF Radio. He is survived by his wife, Betty and a daughter, Mrs. Jeannette Sorenson, two sons, Steven and Daniel and a sister, Mrs. Jennie Tillie.

Member ARTHUR W. BOYLE,* the bombardier of pilot Donald A. Bolingren's crew (824 Sq.), passed away April 16, 1983. Lt. Boyle was reported missing in action on 15 January 1945 when his plane was hit by flak on a mission to bomb the south marshalling yards at Vienna. He returned to duty 14 February 1945. Arthur Boyle is survived by his wife, Mrs. Arthur Boyle.