Frederick S. Howland, 826 Sq.

T/Sgt Frederick S. Howland, 76, South Attleboro, MA died September 21, 1998 at Sturdy Memorial Hospital. Born in Lakewood, RI, he was the son of the late William R. and Honora M. (Williams) Howland. He had resided in South Attleboro for over 60 years and received his education in the Attleboro school system. He was an Air Force veteran of WWII. Mr. Howland served in the 15th Air Force in Europe, was shot down over Italy, and received the distinguished flying cross. He was a retired supervisor at the Swett Mfg. Co.


Arthur Ouellette, 824 Sq.

Arthur Ouellette, a retired commercial art teacher died March 3, 1999, after a brief illness at Saints Memorial Medical Center in Lowell, MA. He was 74 years old. After returning to Lowell upon completion of his military service Arthur married Theresa Gauthier on January 1, 1949. This past December, Theresa and Arthur celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary at a surprise party given by their family. Arthur began studying commercial art at Buena School of Art in Boston in 1950. After graduating Arthur began to work as a commercial artist and plate maker for a printing company. Art also had his own commercial art company, Art Associates, and was hired as a commercial illustrator at the Greater Lowell Regional Vocational Training School. After completing his work as an illustrator he was hired as a teacher of printing, then as a teacher of the Commercial Arts.

After Theresa and Arthur retired from working, they moved to Williamstown, Vermont where they spent 10 years in rural bliss. Art painted many watercolor and oil paintings while living in Vermont. As a member of the Palletters Art Association, Art began exhibiting and winning prizes for his paintings of pastoral Vermont scenes. Returning to Lowell, MA, two years ago Art had missed the sounds of traffic and the city of his youth. Art began writing, one of his favorite topics was Wyatt Earp, the other his time in the Army Air Corps, he told of his experiences as a Gunner on a B-24, the day to day goings on during the down time waiting to fly the next mission.

Arthur is survived by his wife Theresa, three sons Don, Brian, and Gary, three grandsons Eric, Rob and Rick. As a Vietnam Era Air Force veteran and the eldest son, Don, writes that, “the possession of my father’s flight jacket has taken on a new meaning at the time of his passing, given to me while stationed at Nellis AFB in Nevada, the “My Devotion” logo painted on the back of his jacket just about says it all. He had great devotion for his country and family. May God keep him in his glory on this his last mission.”

Lois M Locke

Lois M Locke, widow of Major Don Halderman (KIA), 827 Squadron, was entered into rest on July 3, 1998. She is survived by her husband Robert E Locke, daughter Carolyn A Gorsuch, grandson Royce P Gorsuch both of Salem, Oregon, and a sister Loraine Lang of Murrieta, CA. She was a member and past president of Phi Epsilon Sorority and a long time member of the 484th Bomb Group Association.

Martin A Pizzolato, 827 Sq.

Martin “Marty” A Pizzolato, 78, died 2/5/99 after a losing battle to cancer. Marty was a jeweler in the Chicago area and was owner of Chasco Mfg Co that made jewelry products. He is survived by his wife, Rose, many children and 25 grandchildren.

The Pizzolato crew flew their first mission on August 15, 1944, in support of the landings in southern France. The ship, old 76, a scarred old warhorse in Easy 22, carried the crew safely to the target and back on that day. With the surprise mission, the flak was light that day, allowing all but one of the formation to return home. The one holdout finally landed at Grossetta and returned to Torretta the next morning.