

LEAD GROUP 1ST "B" CBW

F-9  
Berry  
Arlin  
E-8031-K (PFF)

5 September 1944  
Ludwigshaven

D-1  
Curtis  
N-7080-S  
D-2  
Cucco  
N-7889-B  
D-10  
Blackwell  
N-7385-X  
D-5  
DeLancey  
N-8064-H  
D-3  
Conrow  
N-7509-J

F-9  
Griffin  
Dalton  
E-7746-T (PFF)  
D-6  
Brown  
N-2596-N  
D-5  
Hunt  
N-7401-T  
D-3  
Mariais  
N-8129-A  
B-6  
Sitler  
A-2570-F  
D-8  
Rogers  
N-7338-C

LOW GROUP 1ST "B" CBW

C-4  
Mann  
M-2507-F  
C-3  
Menzel  
M-8126-J  
C-2  
Hansard  
M-2487-B  
C-6  
Cummings  
m-7249-P  
B-3  
Johnson  
A-2562-G

A-  
Bestervelt  
Chase  
M-990-P (PFF)  
C-5  
Shott  
M-8164-H  
C-9  
Slavin  
M-7846-T  
C-8  
Armor  
M-2519-F  
B-6  
Atkinson  
A-7317-P  
C-5  
Ballard  
M-2600-Z  
B-5  
Matthews  
A-7078-U

HIGH GROUP 1ST "B" CBW

F-6  
Doerr  
E-7387-H  
F-7  
Rudow  
E-7374-X  
F-8  
Connolly  
E-7337-R  
B-5  
Erlor  
A-6083-V  
B-1  
Hall  
A-2469-Q

F-9  
Ross  
E-2610-Y  
F-8  
Scott  
E-7810-S  
F-4  
Leukhardt  
E-7150-K  
F-4  
Hershberger  
E-7183-J  
F-12  
Evans  
E-7188-G  
B-2  
Griffin  
A-7789-H  
F-4  
Payne  
A-2568-N  
B-7  
Fields  
A-7138-T

Spares Lead C-7 M-8147-L  
Reg. C-1 M-2536-C  
" D-4 N-7203-Z  
" F-3 E-2593-C

	Lead	Regular
Briefing	0430	0515
Stations	0625	0640
Engines	0655	0710
Taxi	0705	0720
Take-Off	0725	0740

Mission No. 17

# **398<sup>th</sup> Bombardment Group Formation Charts**

## **Captain Alan A. Arlin Diary Charts**

The preceding 398<sup>th</sup> Bomb Group Formation Chart was included in Captain Alan A. Arlin's Diary. Captain Arlin was in the 398<sup>th</sup> Bomb Group, 601<sup>st</sup> Squadron.

It is believed that Captain Arlin retyped these charts, perhaps from a copy that was handed to the pilots at morning briefing. This judgment is based on a match between the typewriter font for his diary and the formation charts. Occasionally he may have added some information to his charts. In fact, he did add his personal mission number to the lower right hand corner.

His charts are the same or similar to the Planned Formation Chart in the microfilmed 398<sup>th</sup> records and are different than the After Assembly or Over Target Formation Charts. The following list of Captain Arlin's missions can help identify target names for the various Captain Arlin Formation Charts.

### **List of Captain Alan A. Arlin's Diary Formation Charts**

1. May 19, 1944 - Berlin, Germany
2. May 20, 1944 - Villacoublay, France
3. May 24, 1944 - Berlin, Germany
4. May 30, 1944 - Dessau, Germany
5. June 2, 1944 - Palaiseau, France
6. June 8, 1944 - Tours, France
7. June 20, 1944 - Hamburg, Germany
8. June 24, 1944 - Belloy-sur-Somme, France
9. June 27, 1944 - Biennais, France
10. July 6, 1944 - Cauchie D'Ecques, France
11. July 13, 1944 - Munich, Germany
12. August 1, 1944 - Villaroche, France
13. August 3, 1944 - Saarbrücken, Germany
14. August 11, 1944 - Brest, France [Arlin Mission but no Formation Chart not in Diary]
15. August 16, 1944 - Delitzsch, Germany
16. August 26, 1944 - Gelsenkirchen, Germany
17. Sept 5, 1944 - Ludwigshafen, Germany
18. Sept. 13, 1944 - Lutzkendorf, Germany
19. Sept. 28, 1944 - Magdeburg, Germany
20. Oct. 5, 1944 - Cologne, Germany [Arlin Chart very different than 398<sup>th</sup> Formation Chart]
21. Oct. 26, 1944 -Munster, Germany
22. Nov. 4, 1944 - Harburg, Germany
23. Nov. 10, 1944 - Cologne, Germany
24. Dec. 5, 1944 - Berlin, Germany
25. Dec. 15, 1944 - Kassel, Germany
26. Dec. 29, 1944 - Bingen, Germany
27. Jan 3, 1945 - Cologne, Germany
28. Jan. 10, 1945 - Ostheim, Germany
29. Jan. 21, 1945 - Aschaffenburg, Germany