

# 398<sup>th</sup> Bombardment Group Formation Chart

## Mission 82: 13 September 1944 - Target: Lutzendorf, Germany Over Target

Lead Group 1st "B" CBW [602]	Hunter Dunlap 8031-K PFF Connolly 2507-F	Templeman * Allen 8010-E PFF	13 September 1944
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***			Boehme 7180-S
Hancock 7183-J	Erlar 7094-M		Doerr 8164-H
		Rudow 7374-X	Payne 7387-H **
		Hall 2506-L	Leukhardt 7150-K

\* Load List and Interrogation Report show Captain Templeman as CA.

\*\* Planned and After Assembly show Payne in A/C 2593-C, but pencil entry on Planned Formation Chart indicates A/C 7387-H and is confirmed in Flight Log.

\*\*\* A/C 42-102390 N8-X Radnedge – Not a pathfinder. Was a sortie. Left formation over enemy territory and returned to home base due to broken exhaust collector ring at No. 1 cylinder on No. 4 engine. a target of opportunity at 5027N – 0634E. Since there is no Over Target Formation Chart it is unknown who moved to replace Radnedge as lead. Probably it is 7094-M Erlar.

High Group 1st "B" [603]	Scott Durtschi 8044-X PFF Meyran 2562-G	Khourie 8091-L	
Newman * 7138-T			Ullom 7977-R
Hastings 7078-U			Howden 6083-V
			Wisner 8075-A
			Hyndman 8086-C
	Rehme 2536-C		
	Lee 8463-X	Buzza 2519-A	

\* A/C 42-107053 N7-M Sleaman – Not a pathfinder. Not a sortie. Left formation because pilot noticed a small [amount] of fuel in the cabin. A/C returned to home base. Newman's Interrogation Report indicates he moved up to Sleaman's spot as Lead of Low Squadron High Group. Hyndman may have moved over to take Newman's original spot as #2.

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Low Group "B" 1st CBW  
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Arlin \*  
Scofield  
7889-B

Sitler            Wierney  
2596-M            8121-Q

Marias  
8129-A

Campbell  
8172-P

Conrow            Rogers  
2607-F            7338-C

\*\*                    Curtis  
                          7190-L

Cucco  
8064-H

DeLancey        Morrison  
7846-T            7401-T

\* Load List, Interrogation Report and Flight Log show Captain Arlin as CA, but his diary indicates Captain Schofield was.

\*\* A/C 42-107203 30-Z Taylor – Not a pathfinder. Was a sortie. Left formation over enemy territory and returned to home base because pilot reported he could get no boost from No. 1 supercharger. Attacked a target of opportunity at 5018N -0728E. It is likely Campbell and Curtis maintained their positions in the element.

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Spare: A/C E-7387-H Area D-6 [Appears to have been used by Payne instead of 2593-C]

	Lead	Regular
Briefing	0400	0445
Stations	0600	0600
Engines	0625	0635
Taxi	0635	0645
Take-Off	0655	0705

Note: The 398<sup>th</sup> files did not contain an Over Target Formation Chart. Three aircraft left the formation After Assembly. These are noted above. Some information is provided as possibly who might have filled their positions.

#### Sources:

- Planned Formation Chart (PDF 1757, 1850)
- After Assembly Chart (PDF 1711)
- Over Target Chart (Not Found)
- Flight Log (PDF 1715, 1744)
- Operations Officer's Report (PDF 1705-0707)

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