



### Personal info

Full name

**CAVANAUGH, Charles Dennis**

Date of birth

**24 December 1921**

Age

**21**

Place of birth

**St. Paul, Ramsey County, Minnesota**

Hometown

**Spooner, Washburn County, Wisconsin**

### Military service

Service number

**36245355**

Rank

**Staff Sergeant**

Unit

**510th Bombardment Squadron,  
351st Bombardment Group, Heavy**

Awards

**Purple Heart,  
Air Medal**

### Death & Grave

Status

**Killed in Action**

Date of death

**25 July 1943**

Cemetery

**American War Cemetery Ardennes**

Plot	Row	Grave
B	18	7

## Immediate family

Members

**Dennis Cavanaugh (father)**

**Margaret Cavanaugh (mother)**

**Anna Cavanaugh (sister)**

**James Cavanaugh (brother)**

## Plane data

Serial number

**42-3272**

Data

**Type: B-17F**

**Nickname: Captain Bill**

**Destination: Hamburg, Germany**

**Mission: Bombing of the shipyard**

**MACR: 92**

## More information

Charles Cavanaugh enlisted on 13 June 1942 in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

The airplane was attacked by enemy fighters.

Six crew members survived and were taken prisoner. Four men were killed.

## Photos



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