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THE CREW OF B-24J "GALVANIZED GOOSE" OF THE 26TH SQUADRON,
11TH BOMB GROUP, 7TH AIR FORCE WHICH WAS LOST AT SEA AFTER A
BOMBING MISSION TO THE MARSHALL ISLANDS 28 JANUARY 1944

WILLARD C. SHARKEY KIA
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RICHARD O. BERRY KIA
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CHARLES J. BROOKS KIA
JERROLD O. EIS
EARNEST J. DESPAULT
BRUCE B. BROWN KIA

AFTER OVERFLYING THEIR NEWLY ACQUIRED BLACKED-OUT BASE AT NIGHT WHILE UNDER ENEMY ATTACK, THE AIRCRAFT WAS DITCHED 350 MILES SOUTH OF TARAWA. THREE WERE KILLED IN THE CRASH AND TWO BY SHARKS. THE SURVIVORS WERE RESCUED BY A RNZ PBY AND RETURNED TO AF CONTROL THREE DAYS LATER.

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