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RALPH "BUD" GASTON

CAPTAIN, U.S.A.A.F.

1918 – 1998

"Bud" Gaston joined the 367th Bomb Squadron of the 306th Heavy Bomb Group in May 1942. He flew submarine patrol over the North Atlantic and flew his B-17 to England. He participated in raids against submarine pens on the French coast and was shot down on the La Pallice raid on November 18, 1942. He was a prisoner of war in Stalag Luft III and Stalag VIIA until liberation by the 14th Armored Division of the 3rd Army on April 29, 1945.

A Popular and Respected Colleague

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