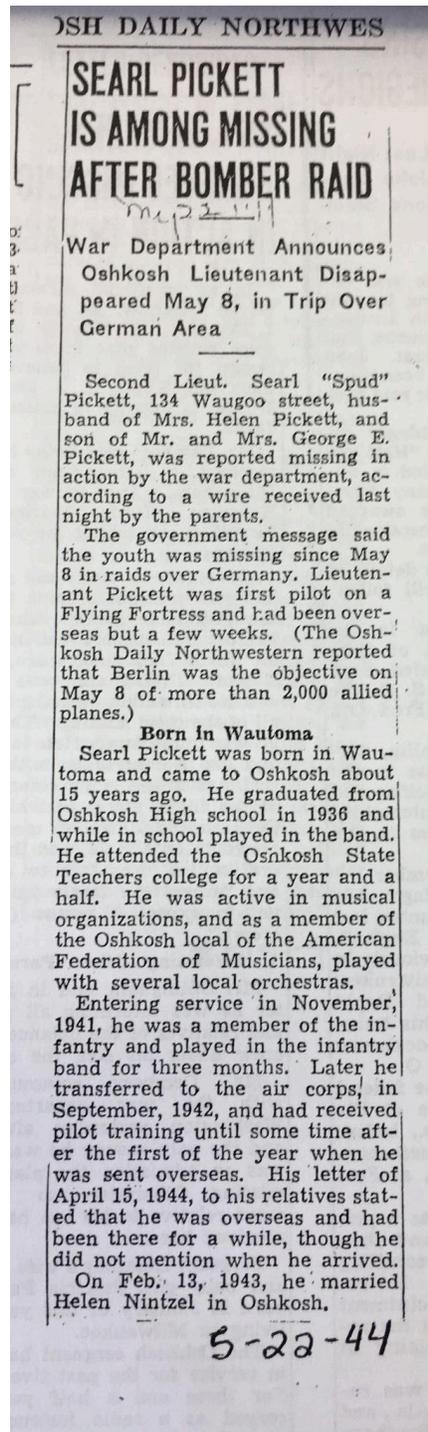


# 1LT Searl Pickett

Location - East-A: R6, C17



First Lt. Searl G. Pickett, 134 Waugoo street, was with the Eighth air force, 388th heavy bomber group, 561st bomber squadron, and was awarded the air medal, purple heart, good conduct medal, ETO service ribbon. He was pilot of a B-17 and has been released from active duty. He enlisted Nov. 29, 1941.

# SEARL PICKETT IS NAZIS' PRISONER

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**Lieutenant, Previously Re-  
ported Missing, Is in Camp  
Somewhere in Germany**

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Mrs. Helen Pickett and Mr. and Mrs. George E. Pickett, 134 Waugoo street, wife and parents, respectively, of Second Lieut. Searl "Spud" Pickett, have received word the Oshkosh youth is now a prisoner of war.

On May 21, the trio received a government message which said the lieutenant, a first pilot on a Flying Fortress, was listed missing in action since May 8, over Europe. The wire received last night said that through information received from the International Red Cross, the youth was now a prisoner of war in Germany and that a letter, giving additional details, would follow.

Searl entered service in November, 1941, and first was with an infantry band. Later he transferred to the air corps, in September, 1942, and was sent overseas in spring. In fact, he had been overseas just a short while before he was listed missing in action. A letter dated in April of this year told his parents he was overseas though it did not state when he arrived.

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## **Searl G. Pickett**

FOND DU LAC — Searl G. Pickett, 62, Fond du Lac, died Wednesday evening in St. Agnes Hospital.

He was born Sept. 26, 1918, in Wautoma, the son of George and Marian Monroe Pickett. He married Helen Nintzel, Feb. 13, 1943. She died Jan. 26, 1971. He then married Marion Olig Milbauer, April 13, 1973.

Mr. Pickett was a band director at St. Mary's Springs High School, Fond du Lac, for 30 years. He was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church, Fond du Lac, and Elks Club No. 57. He was an Army Air Force veteran of World War II and a member of the Oshkosh chapter of Disabled American Veterans.

Surviving are his widow; two sons, Searl Pickett Jr., Appleton, and Elliot Pickett, Fond du Lac; three stepsons, John and William Milbauer, both of Fond du Lac, and Michael Milbauer, Madison; two sisters, Mrs. Jess (Jean) Sitter, Milwaukee, and Janet Docherty, Oshkosh, and seven grandchildren.