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Mr. Paul D. Schlundt  
3149 Winfield Avenue  
Indianapolis, IN 46222-1953

Dear Sir:

Your letter of October 1988 was very much appreciated. I was not aware of any activities pertaining to Primary Flight School at Douglas, GA or members of 43-K; however, will attempt to supply some information you requested.

Our class of 43-K did not have a cadet class book during any phase of our training. Shipping orders from post to post were handled by a "Train Commander". I have had no correspondence with other members of the class.

"C" Squadron, 63rd AAFSTD, Douglas, GA, July 23, 1943.

Students-

P.J.Gellispie	D.P.Mc Mullen	P.M.Mowrey
J.P.Logue	J.J.Mc Ilwain	J.G.Murray
A.K.Lowder	J.L.Meehan	L.F.Myers
F.T.Lucas	C.E.Mentch	J.E.Myrick
T.J.Madden	W.J.Middleton	H.E.Nation
H.P.Malenowski	T.R.Miles	J.R.Nearl
J.P.Marini	H.P.Mock	R.E.Nye
J.L.Mattern	G.C.Mong	J.F.Palmer
R.W.Mau	G.C.Moran	J.W.O'Connor
P.M.Maurince	J.V.Moran	G.F.O'Shea
D.W.Mc Crea	J.B.Morris	H.T.Shaffer
G.A.Mc Monagle	W.B.Moulton	

Student Officers-

Pennington  
Rawls

Instructors-

Barbarow	Miller
Burkhalter	North
Compton	White
Copenhaver	Schlundt (S/C)
Doran	Sewell
Hoffman	

Charles S. Compton-Instructor, July 22, 1943.

Students- Alton K.Lowder	James G. Murray
Thomas R.Miles	Gerald F. O'Shea
Joseph B. Morris*	

\*To single engine Advanced Training.

Military history:

Graduated and commissioned, Moody Field, Valdosta, GA, 12/5/43  
2nd Air Force, 18th Replacement Wing, Army Air Base, Salt Lake City, Utah.  
Assigned to combat crew as co-pilot B-17 Dec.'43

Combat crew training school, Rapid City AAB, Rapid City, SD. Co-pilot, B-17F & B-17G. Jan.'44 to April '44.

8th Air Force, 1st Division, 351st Bomb Group, 509th Squadron, Polebrook, England, co-pilot, B-17G, 28 Combat missions, May'44 to Sept.'44.

JAMES MURRAY 43K

Nellis AAB, Las Vegas, NV, pilot BT13, Operations personnel would not accept my certified check out papers as first pilot in England so flew BT13's for flight pay, Nov. & Dec. '44

Hobbs AAFB, Hobbs, NM, B17 transition, student pilot, pilot, B17F & B17G. Jan. & Feb. '45.

Keesler Field, Biloxi, MS, pilot (MOS 4821 Flight Test Maintenance Officer) PT17, AT9 & 10, AT6, B17, B24, B25, C47, OA10 (land & water). March '45 to June '46.

13th Air Force, Clark Field, Luzon, PI, 2nd Emergency Rescue Squadron, pilot, B17 (with life-boat), OA10 (land and water). July '46 to April '47.

Discharged- June 1, 1947, Ft. Dix, NJ. Rank- Captain.

Civilian history:

Having had two years of undergraduate study at Washington & Jefferson College, Washington, Pa. prior to enlisting, I graduated from the University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, Pa. with a Bachelor of Science degree in January 1950. While going to school, I worked as a machine operator on #3 turn for Incandescent Lamp Division of General Electric Co., Bridgeville, Pa.

My wife, Betty, and I were married in August, 1950. We have no children.

I was employed by Cyclops Corp., Specialty Steel Division, Bridgeville, Pa. in 1951 as a Metallurgist. At first I worked in the Metallurgical Dept., then went on to various supervisory positions in Production and Quality Control.

Because of age, and having over thirty years service, was asked to retire in May 1982.

I hope that this cursory resume helps with your survey of Flight Class 43K.

Sincerely,

*James G. Murray*  
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Feb. 8, 1989