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## 1 LT James W. Currence Class 55-43

ID: O1178753

Branch of Service: U.S. Army  
Hometown: Yuma County, CO  
Status: DNB November 28, 1945



1LT Currence had served in the European theater of operations with the 278th Field Artillery Battalion from July 15, 1944 to May 19, 1945 and participated in the north France, Rhineland and central Europe campaigns. After hostilities ceased he was transferred to the United States for further training at the Liaison Pilot Course, Field Artillery School, Fort Sill, Oklahoma. It was there on a routine training flight he was killed when his liaison plane crashed and burned near Cache, Oklahoma.

### Fort Sill Flier Killed

FORT SILL, Nov. 29.—(AP)—Col. Charles W. Gallaher, Fort Sill post commander, announced Thursday Lt. James W. Currence, 24, Caldwell, Idaho, was killed Wednesday when his liaison plane crashed and burned near Cache.

### Body Of Army Pilot Is Forwarded To Vancouver

The body of First Lt. James W. Currence, 24, who was killed late Wednesday afternoon in a plane crash near Cache, was forwarded today to Vancouver, Wash., by the Lawton funeral home for burial.

The officer was a student in the liaison student pilot course at the department of air training, Field Artillery School. He was on a routine training flight when his liaison plane crashed and burned.



*Buried in Park Hill Cemetery, Vancouver, Washington*