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2 LT Robert R. McAninch Class 55-43

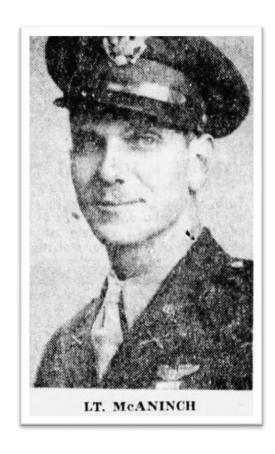
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Branch of Service: U.S. Army Hometown: Richland County, OH Status: KIA June 27, 1944



He was a pilot for an observation plane and was struck by American guns when only three or four hundred feet from the ground, making it impossible to bail out. 2LT Charles Wood Jr., (FAOCS Class 63-43) was also killed in the crash.

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MEMORIAL RITE

Church Service to Honor Flier Killed Over France.

Memorial services in honor of Lieut. Robert R. McAninch, son of Mrs. Walter McAninch, killed in action over France, June 27, will be held at the First English Lutheran church at 3 p. m. tomorrow.

Rev. Grover E. Swoyer, pastor, will talk on the subject "God Is Marching On." He will be assisted in the services by the church's Wartime committee composed of T. D. Brown, chairman, Tully Grubaugh and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Dye.

Lieut. McAninch, a graduate of Senior high school and a former employe of the Tappan Stove campany, was an army airplane pilot. He was understood to have been killed while flying an observation plane. His wife, Eloise, lives with her husband's mother,



He was returned to the United States for interment in December 1948

Buried in Mansfield Cemetery, Mansfield, Ohio