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2LT Harry Merriwether  
Class 70-43**

**ID: O523714**

**Branch of Service: U.S. Army**

**Lee County, AL**

**Status: DNB July 13, 1944**



**Died in a plane crash while serving with the 805th Field Artillery Battalion at Camp Berkley, Texas. The cause of the crash has not been determined, but according to information released from the 518th Field Artillery Group headquarters, LT Merriwether was piloting an artillery observation plane on a reconnaissance flight in search of suitable landing fields for scheduled tests. Another plane was on the same mission but did not see the plane go down. He was dead when soldiers reached the plane. The other occupant of the plane, PFC Jack Klotz, mechanic, of Toledo, Ohio died before he could be taken from the wreckage.**



*Buried in Oak Hill Cemetery, Atmore, Alabama*