

STATISTICS CONCERNING LUCAS WAYNE BUTTRY:

Born in Armington, Illinois (Tazewell County) August 26, 1921. Attended 3 3/4 years of school at the Armington Grade School. Moved in March 1931 to Chenoa, Illinois (McLean County). Entered the fourth grade at Chenoa Grade School and graduated from the eighth grade in May 1935.

Entered Chenoa Community High School in September 1935 and graduated in May 1939. Pedaled the Peoria Journal Transcript paper for 2 years and pedaled milk for one year. A traveling salesman for Zamel Products, Cincinnati, Ohio during my senior year and for one year more.

Saved by accepting Christ as my Savior January 26, 1939 during a special two weeks revival held in the Chenoa Baptist Church by Rev. Jesse Powers of the First Baptist Church of Pekin, Illinois. (New with the Fuller Evangelistic Foundation). Joined the First Baptist Church on Easter week, same year.

Opened Bicycle Shop at home September 1, 1940 and sold out to my father May 31, 1947.

Timekeeper in the Ice-O-Matic Department of the Williams-Oil-O-Matic Corporation, Bloomington, Illinois in October 1940 (1 month). Gasoline Attendant at Standard Oil Service Station, Chenoa, Illinois November 1940 to March 1941.

Clerk in Royal Blue Store during April-May 1941.

Civil Service Employee as a Clerk Typist (CAF-1 & CAF-2) at the Post Headquarters, Special Orders Section, Chanute Field, Rantoul, Illinois, July 10, 1941--November 5, 1942.

Took 3 lessons (2 hours) of Flight Instructions in Piper Trainer plane at the Illini Airport, Champaign, Illinois.

November 9, 1942 drafted as Pvt. Lucas Wayne Buttry, ASN 36435507 and given 2 weeks leave.

November 23, 1942 registered and enrolled in Army Air Forces at Peoria, Illinois.

Scott Field, Belleville, Ill. November 23, 1942 - November 29, 1942.

St. Petersburg, Florida November 29th - December 11, 1942. (Basic)

Edmond, Oklahoma Central State Teachers College for course in Engineering and Operations Clerical Course (graduated Feb 13th with rating of Excellent.) December 11, 1942 - Feb. 16, 1943.

Salt Lake City Army Air Field, Utah Feb. 16th - April 4, 1943

for Combat Intelligence School (S-2) graduating April 1, 1943 SO 91, Par. 6 that Station with rating of Very Satisfactory)

Walla Walla, Army Air Field, Walla Walla, Washington. 88th Bombardment Group (heavy), 316th Bomb. Sq. Intelligence Office. Promoted here to Private First Class and Corporal.

April 4, 1943 thru July 3, 1943.

Orlando, Florida to Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics as one of the enlisted cadre to form the 452d Bombardment Group (H) 789th Bomb Sq. Intelligence Office as the department head.

July 7, 1943 - July 28, 1943 (Sent on detached service for one week to Breechfield Army Air Field, Breechfield, Florida).

Rapid City , South Dakota July 28, 1943 - October 9, 1943 at
 both Camp Rapid and the Air Field, same group (4524 Group until
 I was discharged.) Promoted August 16th to grade of Sergeant.
 Pendleton Army Air Field, Pendleton, Oregon. October 10, to
 November 2, 1943.
 Walla Walla Army Air Field, Walla Walla, Washington November 2, 1943
 to December 23, 1943.
 Orangeburg Overseas Replacement Depot, Orangeburg, New Jersey.
 December 24, 1943 - Jan 1, 1944.
 LEFT FOR OVERSEAS JAN 1, 1944 aboard the Queen ELIZABETH arriving
 at FIFE Glasgow, Scotland January 7, 1944.
 Deepham Green Army Air Field, Addleborough, Norfolk, England from
 Jan 7, 1944 to June 23, 1945. Promoted to Staff Sergeant March 1,
 1944.
 LEFT ENGLAND June 23, 1945 aboard a B-17 Flying Fortress
 Preswick Air Transport Command Station, Scotland June 23-June 25
 Landed in Iceland June 26th and stayed overnight.
 Landed in Labrador and stayed overnight June 27th.
 Landed in Bradley Field, Hartford, Connecticut June 28th.
 Camp Miles Standish, Boston, Massachusetts June 29th & 30th, 1945.
 Camp Grant, Illinois July 1 and furloughed for 30 days rest and
 recuperation furlough. July 4 - August 3d.
 Camp Grant August 4th, 1945
 Sioux Falls Army Air Field, Sioux Falls, South Dakota August 4 thru
 August 20, 1945.
 Chanute Field, Rantoul Illinois August 21 thru September 26, 1945.
 (Transferred from Intelligence Office to Station Archives dept.)
 DISCHARGED SEPTEMBER 26, 1945

During my overseas service I realized that only what is done for God
 counts in this life. I definitely felt the call for more education
 and applied for entrance to Wheaton College (Business Course) but
 realized that God wanted me to preach His word I changed my course
 after about a two month struggle.

Sept. 27, 1945 to Jan 1, 1946 worked with my Dad in the Roofing and
 Siding Business, Chenoa, Illinois.
 January 2, 1946 thru June 2, 1946 in Civil Service as the Assistant
 Station Archivist, Chanute Field, Rantoul, Illinois. CAF-3

Meedy Bible Institute, Chicago, Ill. June 18--July 19, 1946 for the
 Summer Bible Course.

Northern Baptist Theological Seminary Sept 9, 1946 thru May 15, 1947
 (employed part time by the Railway Express Co. Oct '46 - Feb '47
 Chicago Cycle Supply Co. Feb '47-May '47)

Wheaton College September 12, 1947 studying for a BA in Bible