

Robert Stachewink – Navigator – MIA

John Stachewink, who was two years old at the time of his older brother's death, has indicated that he will attempt to find more information on his brother.



Harry M. Beasley – Bombardier - MIA

From: [George Wyatt](#)

To: jimh@neobright.net

Sent: Friday, November 16, 2001 10:50 AM

I live in Medford, Oregon and do B17 research. I read your request this morning in the paper and have compiled the enclosed information for you. The following is from the Medford Mail-Tribune, 8 August 1944.

Second Lt. Harry M. Beasley, bombardier of a B17, has been declared missing in action over enemy territory in Europe, according to information received by his wife, the former Barbara Schmidt, Riverside, Cal and his parents-in-law, Mr and Mrs E.F.Schmidt, 325 West Fourth Street, Medford. Lt Beasley had been in England since March (not possible) and in the



last letter from the officer, dated July 20, he stated that he had just returned from his fourth mission, with the plane full of flak holes and one dead motor.

From: James Hendershot: **Sent:** Thu 2/7/2002 3:55 PM

Barbara Scaggs/Beasley called me today from Beverton, Oregon. She is 86 years old and I would of thought I was talking to 40 year old. Barbara, will be sending me copies of Lt. Beasley and her taken in Louisiana, along with pictures of Harry in his uniform.

Barbara ask that we not send her anything, she said if Harry and her had children it would be different. She had given all of Harry's personal affects, letters, etc. to Harry's parents after she remarried. His parents are deceased, but she will call Harry's brother who lives in Seattle. She thinks he might have more information and might like to see what we have.

I don't know Barbara's address yet, but I do have her phone number. I will not post that at this time because she really doesn't want to be involved on a first person basis. What a pleasant lady she is though.

Lou, Barbara gave us permission for the memorial in Arlington, if we need written proof she will provide it. Well, that makes all of them. Hopefully we can find out more information on Beasley and Orr. Any questions, feel free to ask.

Ed, didn't George say in one of his letters that Beasley had taken them all on a picnic while they were in Louisiana. I asked Barbara that question and she didn't remember.

That's all from Ohio.
Regards, Jim

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Dear Jim

I am enclosing a picture I still have of Harry while he was in the service. As I mentioned to you in our conversation, Everything else was sent to his parents when I remarried.

I have sent a copy of your E-mail to Dave Beasley, Harry's younger brother. You may hear from him about any other pictures etc. he may want to share. I talked to the lady who was in charge of his sister Ruth's estate and she was not sure just what was sent to Dave.

Sorry I don't have anything else to share with you. As I stated, we traveled with the cadets who were in Harry's class. I worked at the PX in Carlsbad, NM and went with him to Salt Lake City and Alexandria, Louisiana and then again to Lincoln, Nebraska. I have no recollection of any picnic!

Best wishes

