

**468th Bomb Group
In Memoriam**

Robert S Clinkscales

Rank: Lt. Colonel
Serial: 0-401370
Squadron: 794th
Position: Pilot
Hometown: East Lake Road, DeKalb County, GA
Died: August 20th 1944
Buried: September 24th 1949

Buried at: Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery
St Louis, MO
Plot: 79 0 508

**Son of William and Gertrude Clinkscales
Brother of Vida and William Clinkscales**

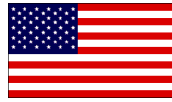
42-6334 – “Gertrude C”

Left:
Lt Robert S.
Clinkscales

Centre:
Major Henry
C. Godman
(pilot)

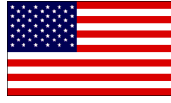
Right:
Colonel Joe
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Lt Col Robert S Clinkscales and
Sally



August 20, 1944, Yawata Raid was rammed by a Japanese fighter and crashed in Jinnohara, Orio-cho, Yawata City, Fukuoka Prefecture.

On August 20, 1944, Col. Robert Clinkscales was leading his four aircraft diamond formation in 42-6334, which was named after his mother. 4th Sentai's Sgt. Shigeo Nobe maneuvered his Nick fighter into 42-6334 flight path. He banked the fighter to the right so that his right wing came vertical to 42-6334 the fighter sliced into 42-6334's left wing between the tip and number one engine. 42-6334 exploded in a fireball. The entire crew was KIA along with Col. Clinkscales cocker spaniel, Sally, who was along for the ride. Col. Clinkscales was the Commanding Officer of the 794th Bomb Squadron.