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Presumed Dead The Survival Of A Bomb Group Commander

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Presumed Dead The Survival Of A Bomb Group Commander:

Presumed Dead Beirne Lay, 1945 **United States Air Force and Its Antecedents** James T. Controvich, Martin Gordon, 2004-06-24 This bibliography lists published and printed unit histories for the United States Air Force and Its Antecedents including Air Divisions Wings Groups Squadrons Aviation Engineers and the Women s Army Corps *Presumed Dead* Beirne Lay (Jr.), 1980 **The Ones Who Got Away** Bill Yenne, 2024-01-04 A remarkable collection of accounts of intrepid American aircrew shot down over enemy lines during World War II and how they got away To be an airman in the Eighth Air Force flying over the war torn skies of Europe required skill tenacity and luck Those who were shot down and evaded capture needed all of that and more if they were to make it back to friendly lines These are their stories Each is compiled from the original intelligence debrief written by the pilots or aircrew themselves Bill Yenne details how a spider web of escape routes sprang up created by the local Resistance Downed airmen were clothed given false papers and hidden so they could be smuggled back to England These efforts were then supplemented by Allied intelligence agents But the risks remained the same Capture could mean death Their accounts are sometimes funny often heartbreaking P 47 pilot Joel McPherson feigned appendicitis and was able to escape from the local German military hospital after he had his appendix removed He spent weeks operating as a getaway driver for a Maquis bank robber gang before making it into neutral Spain Bomber crewmen Fred Hartung and Norman Therrien found refuge at a French chateau but later nearly froze to death crossing the icy Pyrenees with the Gestapo on their trail The accounts of these men and others from the Mighty Eighth make this a story of defiance foolhardiness and bravery against the odds [Flying against Fate](#) S. P. MacKenzie, 2017-08-04 During World War II Allied casualty rates in the air were high Of the roughly 125 000 who served as aircrew with Bomber Command 59 423 were killed or missing and presumed killed a fatality rate of 45 5% With odds like that it would be no surprise if there were as few atheists in cockpits as there were in foxholes and indeed many airmen faced their dangerous missions with beliefs and rituals ranging from the traditional to the outlandish Military historian S P MacKenzie considers this phenomenon in *Flying against Fate* a pioneering study of the important role that superstition played in combat flier morale among the Allies in World War II Mining a wealth of documents as well as a trove of published and unpublished memoirs and diaries MacKenzie examines the myriad forms combat fliers superstitions assumed from jinxes to premonitions Most commonly airmen carried amulets or talismans lucky boots or a stuffed toy a coin whose year numbers added up to thirteen counterintuitively a boomerang Some performed rituals or avoided other acts e g having a photo taken before a flight Whatever seemed to work was worth sticking with and a heightened risk often meant an upsurge in superstitious thought and behavior MacKenzie delves into behavior analysis studies to help explain the psychology behind much of the behavior he documents not slighting the large cohort of crew members and commanders who demurred He also looks into the ways in which superstitious behavior was tolerated or even encouraged by those in command who saw it as a means of

buttressing morale The first in depth exploration of just how varied and deeply felt superstitious beliefs were to tens of thousands of combat fliers Flying against Fate expands our understanding of a major aspect of the psychology of war in the air and of World War II **Encyclopedia of War and American Society** Peter Karsten,2006 Publisher description

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