

SMITH, Dennis D.

“Jack”

B: 26 November 1919 Oilton, OK

D: 26 September 1942 Brest, FRA

Former Pilot Of RAF Is Reported Killed In Action

Dennis D. (Jack) Smith Had
Transferred To U. S.
Army Air Force

ORLAND (Glenn Co.), Jan. 20.—
The war department has notified
Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Smith of Route



D. D. (Jack)
Smith

2, Box 217, of the
death in action
of their son,
Second Lieuten-
ant Dennis D.
(Jack) Smith,
23.

Smith pre-
viously was re-
ported as miss-
ing in action on
September 26th.
Later the Brit-
ish Air Ministry
notified Mrs.
Smith there was
hope that her
son was alive
and a prisoner
of war.

Hope Is Shattered

The telegram, received yesterday,
shattered that hope. It conveyed
the sympathy of the secretary of
war and notified Mrs. Smith that
her son "was killed in action in
the defense of his country in the
Western European area, September
26th."

The Sacramento Bee
20 January 1943

Hometown: Redding, California

Rank: 2nd Lieutenant

MOS: 1055 - Pilot, single engine fighter

Unit: 336th Fighter Squadron (133 Squadron)

Aircraft:

Spitfire Mk IX BS137

4th Service: 16 September 1942 - 26 September 1942

26 SEP 42 On ill-fated Morlaix mission. Attempted to
ditch his Spitfire in the harbor at Brest

KIA.

Buried at Brittany American Cemetery
St. James, France
Plot D Row 18 Grave 8

Victories:

None

Decorations:

Purple Heart.