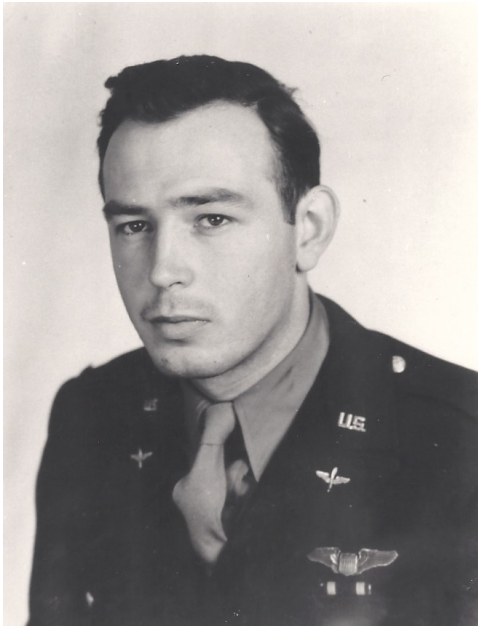


JONES, Frank C. Jr.

B: 23 October 1920 New York City, NY

D: 8 August 1944 North Sea off Norway



Captain F. C. Jones Is Reported Killed **Fighter Pilot Was Missing Since Aug. 8.**

Captain Frank C. Jones Jr., 24, Mustang fighter pilot, was killed in action off Stavanger, Norway, Aug. 8, the War Department has informed his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank C. Jones of 237 Upper Mountain Avenue. Captain Jones had been reported missing previously.

The Montclair Times (New Jersey)
9 November 1944

"I turned on this E/A and fired. He was turning into me but I got a good deflection shot. I saw only one strike in the cockpit just above the wing root. He rolled over on his back and went straight down. I saw the canopy come off but did not see the pilot come out or a chute open. I followed him straight down and saw him hit in a large town behind some houses."

- Frank Jones, from his combat report of 1 May 44

Hometown: Montclair, New Jersey

Rank: Captain

MOS: 1055 - Pilot, single engine fighter

Unit: 335th Fighter Squadron

Aircraft:

P-51B-7-NA 43-6897 WD-P *Winnie the Pooh*

P-51D-5-NA 44-13389 WD-P

P-51D-5-NA 44-14027 WD-P

4th Service: 25 March 1944 – 8 August 1944

8 MAY 44 Designated Flight Commander D Flight

26 MAY 44 Designated Flight Commander B Flight

17 JUN 44 Promoted to Captain

21 JUN 44 Participated in Operation FRANTIC II, the Russia Shuttle mission. (RTB 5 JUL)

8 AUG 44 Struck by flak while strafing an airdrome in Sola, Norway. A/C engine gave out over the North Sea and forced to bail out. Was not seen to surface. KIA. (MACR 7445)

Victories:

10.5 (5 air / 5.5 ground)

Decorations:

Distinguished Flying Cross (OLC), Purple Heart, Air Medal (4 OLC), European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal.