



TO HONOR

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Lt. Hicks was the pilot of B-24 "Robin-D-Cradle," of the 832nd Squadron, 486th Bomb Group. On 28 May 1944, he led the squadron on a mission to Leipzig, Germany. On the return, the aircraft was severely damaged, fell out of formation, and could not maintain altitude. Lt. Hicks lost his life by staying with the aircraft until his crew bailed out. He ditched the aircraft in the English Channel. He was awarded the Purple Heart and Air Medal.

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