

Table 1

6th Bomb Group B-29s in the Pacific Theater of Operations: Origin and Disposal

Legend

YELLOW indicates this plane was destroyed while on 6th BG roster--18 planes

GREEN indicates plane was on 6th BG roster but was lost AFTER transfer to another group--6 planes

Surveyed = Damaged beyond Economical Repair

Salvaged = Pulled Usable Parts Before Scrapping

Reclaimed = Removed from AF Inventory Before Scrapping

^ Apparent Name Change: Smaller font is the earlier name, larger is the later name

* Name not in Mann #1, found in other sources

Serial Number	Name	BS	Tail Mark	Delivery Date	Deletion Date	Explanation
42-06396				3/9/44	5/14/47	Reclaimed
42-24540				6/19/44	9/11/50	Reclaimed
42-24723			L TRI 38/53/CIRC R 97	9/22/44	5/26/45	Transferred TO 444BG 5/11/45, Abandoned over Iwo-Flak Damage
42-24759	BLIND DATE/LADIE'S DELIGHT	24	L TRI 01/CIRC R 01	10/7/44	5/23/45	Crashed Yamatogama, Chiba 11POW (BOYNTON CREW)
42-24776	WHITE MISTRESS	40	L TRI 37/CIRC R 57	10/11/44	5/5/54	Crashed on Take Off, Repaired, Reclaimed
42-24783	CONNECTICUT YANKEE/WUN WING LO	40	L TRI 41/CIRC R 61	10/14/44	11/17/53	Reclaimed
42-24788	KRO'S KIDS	40	CIRC R 26		6/25/45	Trans TO 504BG, lost Nagoya Mission
42-24825	SNOOKY/PATTY SUE ^	24	L TRI 14/CIRC R 14	11/1/44	11/17/53	Reclaimed
42-24826	IN THE MOOD/GENERAL CONFUSION		CIRC R ?	11/1/44	5/25/45	Trans to 504BG, then Crashed Saitama on Saipan
42-24830	IRISH LULLABY	24	L TRI 06/ CIRC R 06	11/2/44	11/22/53	Reclaimed
42-24835				11/6/44	11/17/53	Reclaimed
42-24836		24	L TRI 13/CIRC R 13	11/6/44	9/15/53	Reclaimed
42-24842		39		11/8/44	2/12/45	Engine Fire, Ditched at sea, No Survivors 11KIA (CASAURANG CREW)
42-24866	EARTHQUAKE MCGOON	40	L TRI 31/CIRC R 51	11/18/44	9/15/53	Crashed on Iwo, Repaired, Reclaimed
42-24868	RIP VAN WINKLE/SON OF A B-29	39	L TRI 07/CIRC R 30			Tran from 24BS to 39BS, Survived War (Richards Crew)
42-24870		24	CIRC R 03	11/18/44	5/23/45	MIA, Lost Tokyo Mission 11KIA (SNYDER CREW)
42-24872	JOLLY ROGER (#1)	40	L TRI 36/CIRC R 56	11/21/44	9/15/53	Reclaimed
42-24874	EL PAJARO DE LA GUERRA (aka "The Wa	24	L TRI 04/CIRC R 04	11/21/44	9/22/53	Reclaimed
42-24878	HELL'S BELLE/FLAK ALLEY SALLY ^	40	L TRI 33/CIRC R 53	11/20/44	11/17/53	Reclaimed
42-24880	GRAVEL GERTIE*	40	L TRI 42/CIRC R 62	11/22/44	9/23/45	Reclaimed
42-24884	GRIDER GAL	39	L TRI 16/CIRC R 36	11/23/44	8/2/54	Reclaimed
42-24885	BIG JOE	24	L TRI 05/CIRC R05		3/25/49	Reclaimed
42-24887	FORTUNE'S FOLLY	24		11/23/44	9/14/54	Reclaimed
42-24889		24	L TRI 12	11/24/44	4/22/45	Engine Fire on Take Off, Crash-land on Tinian (MUTCH CREW)
42-24890	FORTUNE'S FOLLIES III	24	L TRI 15/CIRC R 15		7/20/45	Ditched 15 miles N of Saipan, Rashin Mission (FORTUNE CREW)
42-24901	CULTURED VULTURE	39	L TRI 25/CIRC R 35		7/15/52	Reclaimed
42-24916	THE PEACEMAKER	40	L TRI 34	12/8/44	3/27/45	Crashed Miyazaki 11POW (GROUNDS CREW)
42-63444	JOLLY ROGER (#2)			9/30/44	9/11/50	Reclaimed
42-63514	ANN GARRY III	39	L TRI 17/CIRC R 37	12/4/44	5/26/45	Crew Bailed over Iwo, Shot Down by P-61 (CLAY CREW)
42-63515				12/7/44	9/11/50	Reclaimed
42-63516				12/5/44	10/17/46	Reclaimed
42-63518			L TRI 19/CIRC R 19	12/7/44	12/6/50	Reclaimed
42-63533				5/19/45		Trans FROM 444BG
42-63535	THE SPIRIT OF SAMMY*	24	L TRI 02?/CIRC R 01	12/20/44	9/11/50	Reclaimed
42-63548			L TRI ?/CIRC R ?	5/10/45		Trans FROM 444BG
42-63551	BANANA BOAT (#1)	40	L TRI 44/CIRC R 64	1/4/45	4/7/49	Reclaimed (see 44-69802)
42-63552	LUCKY STRIKE	39	L TRI 27/CIRC R 27	12/31/44	7/21/46	Trans to 468BG, Crashed at Sea
42-63553	OLD FAITHFUL	39	L TRI 27	1/15/45	3/9/45	Crashed on Take Off to Osaka-All Survived (STEEL CREW)
42-63558	TOKYO TROLLEY	39	L TRI 28/CIRC R 28	1/14/45	5/25/45	Shot Down Tokyo, 10 KIA, 1POW (FOX CREW)

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42-65207				7/31/44	9/11/50	Reclaimed
42-65381			L TRI 11/CIRC R 11	2/27/45	5/5/54	Reclaimed
42-93844	ANNA BELLE			7/17/44	6/27/49	242BU Grand Island Training, Reclaimed
42-93887	LADY ANNABELLE*	40	L TRI 43	10/30/44	8/24/49	Reclaimed
42-93898	LADY JEAN*	39	L TRI 21/CIRC R 31	11/9/44	1/4/51	Reclaimed
42-93901	BIG FAT MAMA /PATRICIA LYNN	39	L TRI 24/CIRC R 34	11/11/44	9/11/45	Reclaimed
42-93902	GRAND SLAM	39	L TRI 32	11/13/44	3/10/45	Crashed on Take Off to Osaka, Surveyed Tinian (NEAL CREW)
42-93906	ERNIE PYLE'S MILK WAGON/UNCLE SAM	24	L TRI 10/CIRC R 10	11/21/44	5/24/45	Crashed Iwo Jima, repaired 1KIA (PARKS CREW)
42-93910		24	L TRI 03/10	11/24/44	5/13/50	Transferred from 444BG, Reclaimed
42-93911	TRIGGER MORTIS / 358th AIR SVC GRP	39	L TRI 18/CIRC R 18	11/24/44	3/13/50	Crash Iwo 3/27, repaired, Transferred TO 358ASG, reclaimed
42-93939	LITTLE GIANT*	40	L TRI 35/CIRC R 55	12/23/44	7/9/45	Crashed in sea off Moji City 12KIA (SCHMID CREW)
42-93951	LUCKY LEVEN	24	CIRC R 08	12/31/44	9/15/54	Trans TO 56WRS. Reclaimed
42-94008			L TRI 49/CIRC R 69			Reclaimed
42-94042	MAYA'S DRAGON	39	CIRC R 40	2/17/45	8/19/54	On Display
42-94058	FORTUNE'S FOLLIES II	24	CIRC R 07	2/21/45	5/10/54	Crashed Iwo 5/24/45, Repaired, Transferred, reclaimed (FORTUNE CREW)
42-94063	THE WOLF PACK	24	CIRC R 32	2/26/45	9/15/53	Reclaimed
42-94103				3/14/45	9/15/53	Reclaimed
42-94104				3/14/45	9/15/53	Reclaimed
44-27296	SOME PUMPKINS/SOME PUNKINS	24	CIRC R 13/A 84	3/19/45	4/9/48	Reclaimed
44-27316				4/21/45	9/15/53	Reclaimed
44-61511				3/24/45	9/15/53	Trans to 20th AAF 3/15/47, reclaimed
44-61538	KINNEY DALLE	24			5/1/52	Salvaged
44-61549	SHASTA	24	CIRC R 02	4/9/45	9/15/53	Salvaged
44-61558	JAKE'S JERNT/PORCUPINE*	24	CIRC R 13	4/10/45	1/24/47	Condemned
44-61619				4/25/45	11/17/53	Trans to 72nd Service Center 3/15/47, reclaimed
44-61635		24	CIRC R 08	5/9/45	9/15/53	Trans to 20th AAF 3/15/47, reclaimed
44-61638		24	CIRC R 10	5/11/45	12/3/50	Trans to 20th AAF 3/15/47, reclaimed
44-61667				5/10/45	3/29/54	Trans to 20th AAF 2/24/47, reclaimed
44-61767				5/30/45	12/31/50	Trans to 20th AAF 3/15/47, reclaimed
44-61671						Unknown
44-61675				5/11/45	9/22/53	Reclaimed
44-61679				5/10/45	6/9/48	Reclaimed
44-61686	FOREVER AMBER II*	39	CIRC R 38	5/11/45	9/22/53	Trans to 20th AAF 12/10/46, reclaimed
44-61688	ANONYMOUS IV*	24	CIRC R 10	5/11/45	12/3/50	Tranferred to RAF
44-61705			CIRC R 18	5/19/45	7/14/54	Trans FROM 19th BG then 20 20thAAF on 3/21/47, Survived War
44-61715				5/18/45	9/22/53	Trans to 20th AAF 12/10/46, reclaimed
44-61745				5/26/45	8/3/48	Trans to 20th AAF 3/15/47, reclaimed 9/22/53 Trans
44-61784	Holton's Hellions/INCENDIARY JOURNEY	24	CIRC R 07	6/4/45		to 20th AAF 3/15/47, reclaimed
44-61803	THE ROCKET/RATTLE N'ROLL	40	CIRC R 55	6/8/45		Replaced Little Giant (42-93939); 6/30/49 Trans to 20th AAF
44-61836		39	CIRC R 41	6/15/45	3/15/47,	salvaged 3/16/54 Trans TO 462BG, Reclaimed
44-61905	LOVELY LOIS*	24	CIRC R 18	6/29/45	5/9/54	Reclaimed; CIRC R 18 was TRIGGER MORTIS before transfer to 358thASG
44-62038				7/27/45	7/14/54	Reclaimed
44-62305						
44-69667	SNUGGLEBUNNY	39	L TRI 22/CIRC R 32	12/12/44	3/10/54	Trans treclaimed
44-69672	REAMATROID	39	L TRI 23/CIRC R 33	12/14/44	6/13/54	Transferred to 504BG, Reclaimed
44-69825		40	L TRI 46/CIRC R 66	2/7/45	5/26/45	Ditched at Iwo, One Engine out, No Fuel (MOULTON CREW)
44-69831		39	L TRI 32/CIRC R 52	2/9/45	9/22/53	Reclaimed
44-69838			L TRI 03	2/16/45	4/14/45	Surveyed
44-69839	FOREVER AMBER	39	LCIRC R 41	2/10/45	6/5/45	Battle Damage, Landed at Iwo, Salvaged at Iwo 2KIA (CATTS CREW)

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44-69840	BAD PENNY II	40	L TRI 40/CIRC R 60	2/10/45	5/16/45	Landing Accident-Tinian (REED CREW)
44-69841				2/10/45	8/16/54	Reclaimed
44-69847	BATTLIN' BETTY	40	L TRI 34/CIRC R 54	2/14/45	10/11/56	Reclaimed
44-69850				2/13/44	9/14/54	Reclaimed
44-69854				2/15/45	8/8/54	Reclaimed
44-69855	LITTLE JEFF	40	L TRI 45/CIRC R 65	2/15/45	4/1/49	Salvaged
44-69857				2/17/45	4/12/45	Trans TO 330BG, then ditched from Koriyama
44-69864		24	L TRI 09/CIRC R 09	2/16/45	5/22/46	Transferred to Army
44-69865	TINNY ANN	24	L TRI 07/CIRC R 16	2/16/45	7/28/48	Salvaged
44-69874			CIRC R 54	2/19/45	10/21/53	Trans from 9BG, reclaimed (note: uncertain provenance)
44-69884		39	CIRC R 36	2/24/44	8/8/54	Trans FROM or TO 39BG, Reclaimed
44-69967		39	CIRC R 60	3/21/45	5/24/45	Transferred to 19th BG after 5/23-24 repairs (ANDERSON CREW)
44-69979		24		3/27/45	8/19/54	Reclaimed
44-69980	CONNECTICUT YANKEE II*	40	CIRC R 67	3/27/45	8/8/54	Reclaimed
44-69994				3/30/45	9/22/53	Trans to 20th AAF 3/15/47, reclaimed
44-70006	VIRGIN STURGEON ? *	40	CIRC R 58	4/4/45	9/29/54	Reclaimed
44-70069	DEARLY BELOVED: THE RAMP TRAMP	40	CIRC R 59	4/20/45	8/8/54	Trans To/From 9BG, Reclaimed
44-70111				5/2/45	7/9/48	Trans to 20th AAF 3/15/47, reclaimed
44-70112		40	CIRC R 58	4/5/45	10/4/54	Trans from 19BG, reclaimed (note: uncertain provenance)
44-70114			CIRC R 10	5/4/45	4/20/54	Reclaimed
44-70116	SHARON LINN	24	CIRC R 03	5/4/45	7/19/45	Shot Down Over Yokogoshi 4KIA, 7POW (JORDAN CREW)
44-70118	ERNIE PYLE/6th BG name unknown		CIRC R	5/4/45	6/23/54	Trans From 504BG, Reclaimed
44-70124	TOJO'S NIGHTMARE	40	CIRC R 60	5/8/45	10/14/53	Trans to 20th AAF on 3/15/47, Reclaimed
44-70126				5/8/45	4/20/54	Reclaimed
44-70130				5/10/45	8/19/54	Trans to 20th AAF 2/24/47, reclaimed
44-70133				5/10/45	10/14/53	Trans to 20th AAF 3/15/47, reclaimed
44-70150	TOKYO TROLLEY II*	39	CIRC R 26	5/18/45	5/10/54	Trans to 20th AAF 3/15/47, reclaimed
44-82500						
44-83950					9/12/51	Salvaged
44-84002		24	L TRI 11/CIRC R 11	6/12/45	5/24/49	Reclaimed
44-84003				6/13/45	9/22/54	Reclaimed
44-84008			L TRI 49		4/26/51	Reclaimed
44-84058				7/23/45	1/20/49	Reclaimed
44-84081					7/15/52	Reclaimed
44-86303	EARLY BIRD			6/8/45	9/25/54	Reclaimed
44-86393				7/23/45	6/23/54	Reclaimed
44-87649				6/9/45	9/27/54	Trans to 20th AAF 3/15/47, reclaimed
44-87650	ANNE GARRY V	39	CIRC R 37	6/8/45	10/2/48	Trans to 20th AAF 3/15/47, reclaimed
44-87655				6/19/45	11/3/53	reclaimed
44-87656				6/12/45	8/8/54	Trans to 1st Air Division 3/15/47, reclaimed
44-87667				6/15/45	11/3/53	Trans to 20th AAF 2/24/47, reclaimed
44-87672				6/13/45	11/18/53	Reclaimed
44-87675				6/14/45	8/2/54	Reclaimed
44-87734	ZZZUNNAMED	24	CIRC R 15	8/9/45	1/22/52	Transferred from 58BW/462BG, Reclaimed
44-87779	LEGAL EAGLE II			7/16/45		Survived War - On Display At Ellsworth AFB
44-94008			L TRI 49			
44-94063	THE WOLF PACK		L TRI 12/CIRC R 32			
44-?????	THE TULSA BARB	39				Wm. H. Cleverdon APC
??-?????	OUR LADY		CIRC R 16			Rochleigh. S. Dawson Crew
??-?????	ANNE GARRY IV	39	CIRC R 37		6/26/45	Tran to Unknown Group, Lost, date not certain

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