



**Howard  
Snyder**

*Army Air Corps*

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**Aug 6, 1915 - Apr 25, 2007**

**BIRTHPLACE: Norfolk, NE**

### **SOLDIER DETAILS**

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**DIVISION: Army Air Corps, 8th Air Force/306th  
Bomb Group/369th Bomb Squadron**

**THEATER OF OPERATION: European**

**MILITARY HONORS: Air Medal/Purple Heart**

**HONORED BY: Steve Snyder, son and author of  
'Shot Down'**

### **BIOGRAPHY**

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B-17 Pilot in the U.S. Army Air Forces, 8th Air Force, 306th Bombardment Group, 369th 'Fitin Bitin' Squadron. Shot down on February 8, 1944 over Belgium. Missing in Action for 7 months. Evaded capture with the aid of the Belgium Underground for 4 months and spent 3 months with a unit of the French Resistance (Maquis) sabotaging German convoys. Liberated in Trelon, France by U.S. Troops on September 2, 1944. His full story is depicted in the book SHOT DOWN: The True Story of Pilot Howard Snyder and the Crew of the B-17 Susan Ruth by Steve Snyder ( <http://bit.ly/ShotDownBook> )