

Joe Wesley King, T-32

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(aged 64)



Saved Man from Crashed Bomber: Gets Hero Medal

Captain Joe W. King, husband of Mrs. Olive B. King, 804 Spring, flight surgeon for a B-24 Liberator squadron at a 15th AAF base in Italy, has been awarded the Soldier's Medal for 'heroism at great risk of life' in rescuing an injured crewman from a crashed bomber, a military dispatch received in Memphis reveals.

Captain King has been attached to a veteran Liberator group which has participated in more than 90 major attacks against enemy installations in Germany, Austria, Romania, Italy, and France.

He is a graduate of the University of Tennessee and received his premedical training at the University of Texas.

Before his enlistment in September 1942, Captain King was a practicing physician at Helena AR. He has been overseas since December 1943.

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