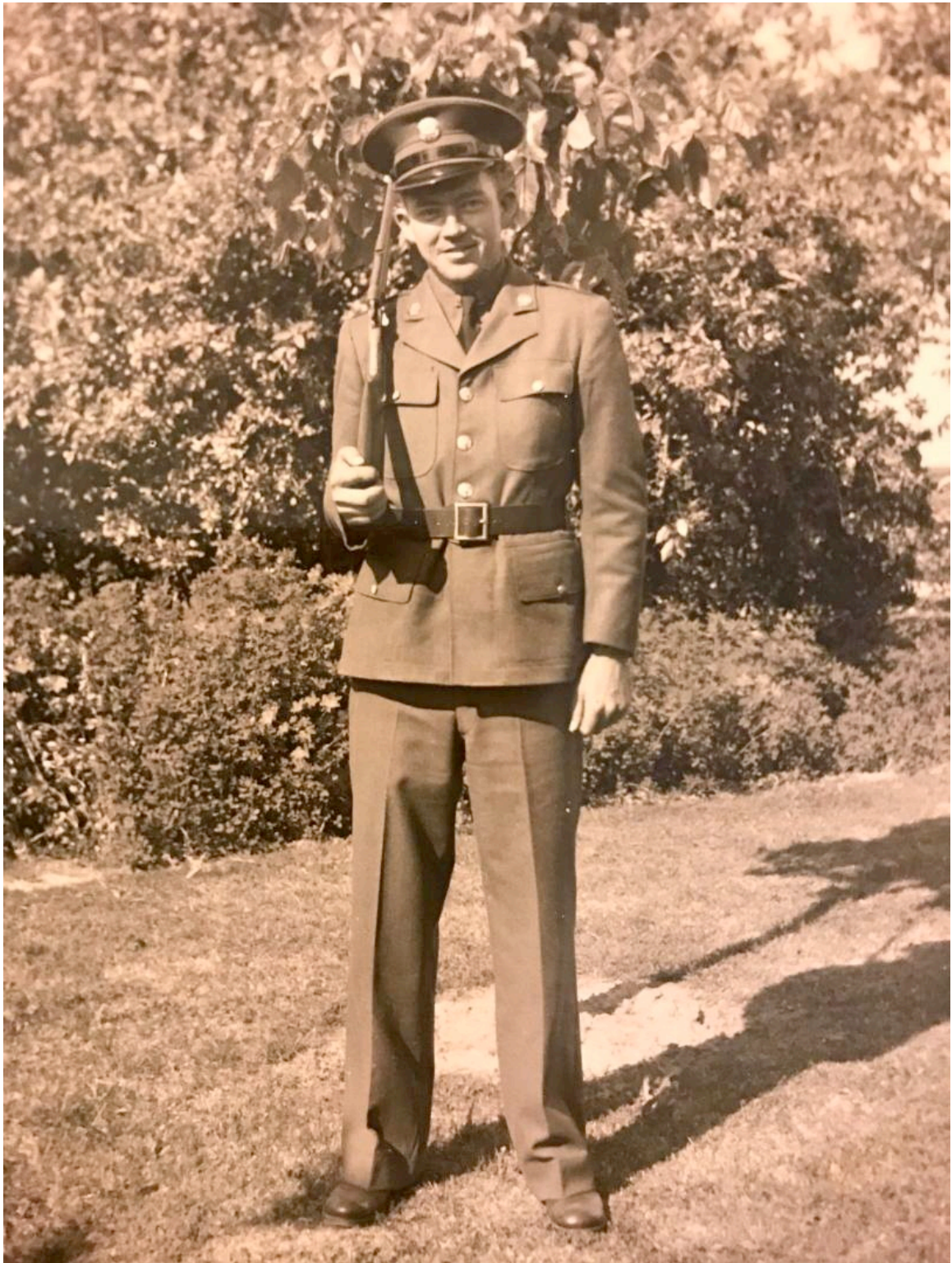




Kurt A. Ahlstrom
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KURT A. AHLSTROM
NAME

2nd Lt. . . . AC . . .
DESIGNATION

Kurt A. Ahlstrom
SIGNATURE

ex W Mack 1st Lt AC
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DATE ISSUED **4 Aug 1945**

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Age 26 Wt 158

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Date of Issue **MAY 28 1943**

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Air Corps Seal

Signature *Kurt A. Ahlstrom*

Name Typed **Kurt A. Ahlstrom**

Rank **2ND LIEUTENANT**

Air Corps A. U. S.

Rating **Pilot**

Kingsburg Flier Is Missing

KINGSBURG (Fresno Co.), April 29.—Mr. and Mrs. Ephraim Ahlstrom received word in a telegram



Kurt Ahlstrom

from the War Department their son, Lieutenant Kurt Ahlstrom of the army air forces has been reported missing in action since April 11th.

Ahlstrom was stationed in England since last January and was the pilot of a bomber taking part in the raids over Europe. He enlisted in the army February 1, 1941, and on May 1, 1942, he enlisted in the air corps. He received his primary training at Maxwell Field, Ala., and his basic training at Arcadia, Fla., graduating from the army flying school at Columbus, Miss., May 28, 1943, when he received his commission as a second lieutenant.

He was born in St. Paul, Minn., and came to Kingsburg with his parents when he was only 1 year old. He was graduated from the Kingsburg schools and later from the Central California Commercial College in Fresno.

KURT AHLSTROM MISSING IN EUROPEAN WAR

**WORD RECEIVED HERE
HE HAS BEEN MISSING
SINCE APRIL 11**

Lieut. Kurt Ahlstrom, Army Air Forces, has been reported as missing in action since April 11 in a telegram from the War Dept. received Tuesday by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ephraim Ahlstrom.

Lieut. Ahlstrom was pilot of a bomber taking part in raids over Europe. He was stationed in England since January of this year.

Lieut. Ahlstrom enlisted in the army Feb. 1, 1941. May 1, 1942, he enlisted in the Air Corps and took his primary training at Maxwell field, Alabama. He received basic training at Carlstrom Field, Arcadia, Florida. He graduated from the Army Flying School at Columbus, Mississippi, May 28, 1943, and commissioned as a second lieutenant.

He was at several fields in the United States before being sent to England Jan. 24 this year.

He graduated from Kingsburg High School and Central California Commercial College in Fresno. Prior to enlisting in the army he was employed in Fresno. He was born in St. Paul, Minn., but came to Kingsburg with his parents when a year old. He received membership in the Ev. Free Church in 1932.



LIEUT. KURT AHLSTROM

BROTHER OF MRS. REUBEN BERGTHOLD REPORTED MISSING

Lt. Kurt Ahlstrom has been reported missing in action over Germany since April 11. He was the pilot of a B-17 Flying Fortress, having been in England since January and had received the air medal.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Ahlstrom of Kingsburg, a brother of Mrs. Reuben Bergthold of Reedley and a nephew of Mrs. Mary C. Halstrom of Reedley.

Lt. Ahlstrom graduated from Kingsburg High School and the Four C's Business College. Before entering the service he was an accountant at the Haslett Warehouse Company in Fresno.

Freed Kingsburg Flier Will Come Back Home Soon

KINGSBURG (Fresno Co.), May 23.—Mr. and Mrs. E. Ahlstrom of Route 2, Box 124, Kingsburg, have



been notified by the adjutant general their son, Lieutenant Kurt A. Ahlstrom, who was shot down on his thirteenth mission over Germany in April, 1944, and reported a prisoner of the Germans the following August, has been liberated and will be returned to the United States in the near future.

Lieut. Ahlstrom

The message added their son will be given opportunity to communicate with the Ahlstroms upon his arrival in the United States.

Ahlstrom joined the army in March, 1941, and became a flying cadet in October, 1942. He was commissioned in Mississippi in May, 1943, and went overseas in February, 1944. Before joining the service he was employed as a field auditor for the Haslett Warehouse Company in Fresno.