

Barthol, Ernest

Returns To Base



T/Sgt. Ernest Barthol, holder of the Air Medal, with two Oak Leaf Clusters and the Distinguished Flying Cross, returned to Miami Beach, Fla., after spending a 30-day furlough with his wife and parents at 1720 Jefferson Avenue.

Sgt. Barthol saw 13 months service in the China-Burma-India Theatre of Operations where he had 19 missions over Japan and Japanese held territory and nine across the "Hump," as a senior gunner on a B-29 Superfortress. He was a member of the General Billy Mitchell Squadron.

Sergeant Barthol was a Junior at Moravian College when he enlisted on December 14, 1942, and was inducted on February 15, 1943. He graduated from the Armorer's School at Buckley Field, Colorado, and the U. S. Army Air Forces Technical School at Lowry Field, Denver, Colorado.

His wife, the former Virginia Barton, a graduate from the Methodist Hospital School of Nursing in Philadelphia and at present Assistant Supervisor at St. Luke's Hospital in this city, accompanied Sgt. Barthol to Florida.

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