

Henry Marion Roush (1923 – 1944)

Henry Roush was born in Strasbourg, Cass County, Missouri on 7 June 1923. He graduated from Sweetwater Union High School in June of 1941.

He enlisted in the U.S. Navy on November 22, 1942, and had been a resident of National City since 1936. He was the eldest son of Warde and Gladys Pelsor Roush of 3398 Olive Street. After graduating from Sweetwater Union High School he became a Civil Servant working at NAS North Island. After his training in Oklahoma and Florida, he was stationed at Camp Kearney Mesa, where he and twelve others perished on the morning of 20 January 1944 while flying in a B-24 bomber. He was an Aviation Machinists Mate Third Class

Henry was very interested in Boy scouting and was a charter member of Troop 66 in National City. He was the troops first Eagle Scout and an assistant scoutmaster.

Services were held at the Saum Funeral Home in San Diego. He is buried at the Ft. Rosecrans National Cemetery. And his headstone is located at Plot: E 348. He was buried on January 26, 1944. He lived for several years on Third Avenue in Chula Vista and he was very popular with the young people of the community.

He is survived by his parents, a sister, Rachel at home and a sister, Mrs. L.A. Weisser of Bonita, a brother, CPL James C. Roush of the Army Air Corps, and an uncle, Mr. H.H. Roush who lives in Sweetwater valley.

A street in the Sunbow housing community in Chula Vista, CA is named in his honor.





