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ATTENTION:

HEADQUARTERS, ARMY AIR FORCES  
WASHINGTON

17 AUG 1944

Mrs. N. R. Calkins,  
2447 Parker,  
Detroit 14, Michigan.

My dear Mrs. Calkins:

This is in reply to your letter of July 7, 1944 concerning your son, the late Second Lieutenant Norris K. Calkins.

I can understand that it will be comforting to you to correspond with the next of kin of your son's crew. Unfortunately I am unable to send you this information at the present time because the Missing Air Crew Report containing a list of the crew members serving with your son on May 17, 1943 has not been received. However, I am requesting from the European Area such details as are obtainable. The gathering of this information and its transmission back here will require some time, but upon receipt of the report this headquarters will communicate with you.

Once again, I wish to extend my deepest sympathy in your sorrow.

Very sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "H. H. Arnold". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long, sweeping underline that extends to the right.

H. H. ARNOLD,  
General, U. S. Army,  
Commanding General, Army Air Forces.