



## **Philip J. Reichert Jr. 58-43**

**First Lieutenant, U.S. Army**

**Service # O1180021**

**908th Field Artillery Battalion  
83rd Infantry Division**

**Entered the Service from: Kansas**

**Died: 10-Aug-44**

**Buried at: Plot L Row 13 Grave 15**

**Brittany American Cemetery**

**St. James, France**

**Awards: Air Medal, Purple Heart**

According to the 908th history, early in the morning of the 10th, the Piper Cub that was carrying forward observers 1st Lt. Philip J. Reichert and 1st Lt. John B. Goettke exploded in mid-air, apparently struck by a shell. Both were killed instantly. (They were awarded the Air Medal posthumously.) 1st Lt. Manny Goodridge recalls seeing the plane being hit. The wing broke in the middle and both wing tips folded forward.