

John H. Cox

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Sgt. Cox Declared Officially Dead

By Register Staff Writer

HINTON — Sgt. John H. Cox, son of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Cox of Bellepoint, who was reported missing in action in Japan, June 22, 1945, is now officially presumed dead, according to a letter from Edward F. Witsell, Adjutant General of the Army.

Cox was a member of a super-fortress crew of 11 which failed to return from an attack on Kagamigahara, Japan.

The body of one member of the crew was later found but no trace of Cox or the other nine members of the crew has ever been reported to the War Department.

Sgt. Cox was born in Hinton, Jan. 24, 1927. He enlisted Dec. 19, 1943 and began active service March, 13, 1944. He was a member of the graduating class of Hinton High School in 1944, graduating in absentia.

He was reported missing three months after his arrival in the Pacific Theater.