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John Doster Hull

1924 - 2018

Technical Sergeant: United States Army Air Forces*

World War II

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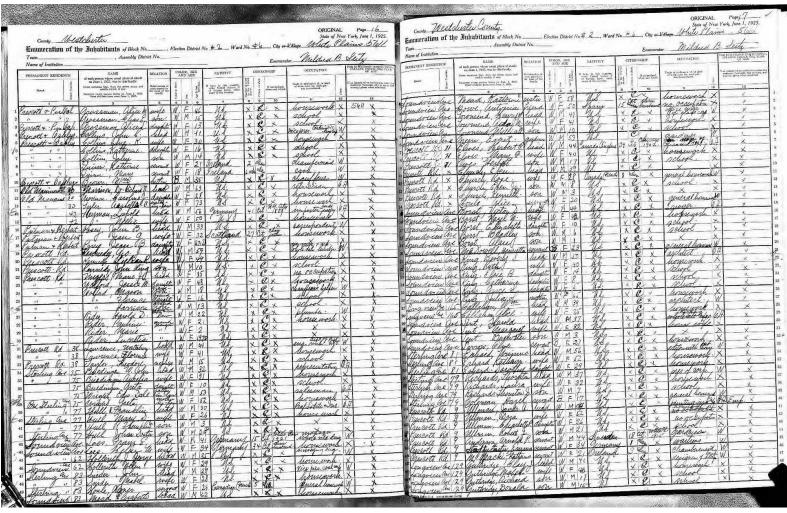
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1924 New York State Birth Index

"New York State, Birth Index, 1881-1942," database, *Ancestry* (ancestry.com: accessed April 25, 2024), entry for John D Hull, White Plains, New York.

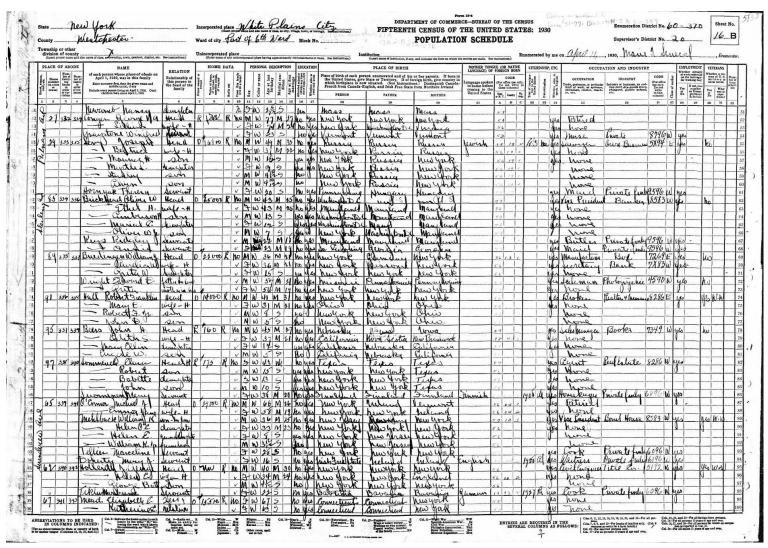
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1925 New York State Census

"New York, U.S., State Census, 1925," database, *Ancestry* (ancestry.com: accessed April 25, 2024), entry for John Dosta Hull, White Plains, New York.

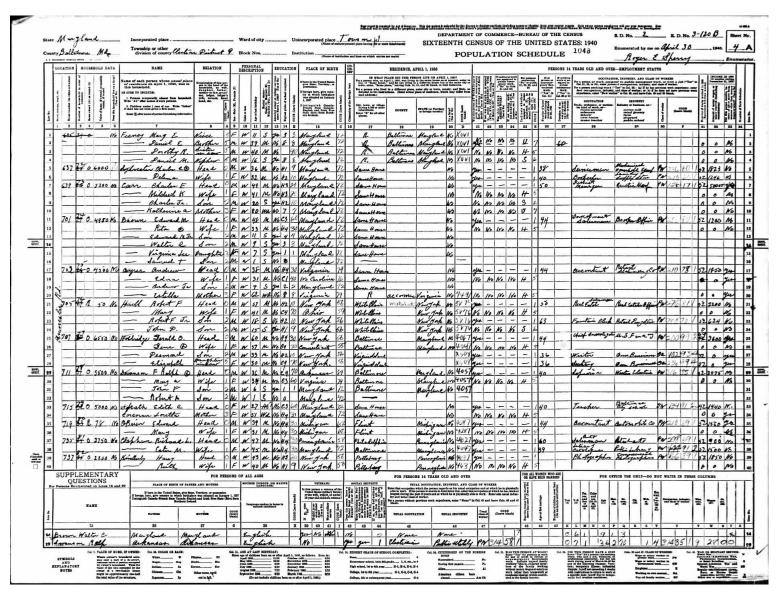
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1930 United States Census

"1930 United States Federal Census," database, *Ancestry* (ancestry.com: accessed April 25, 2024), entry for John D Hull, White Plains, New York.

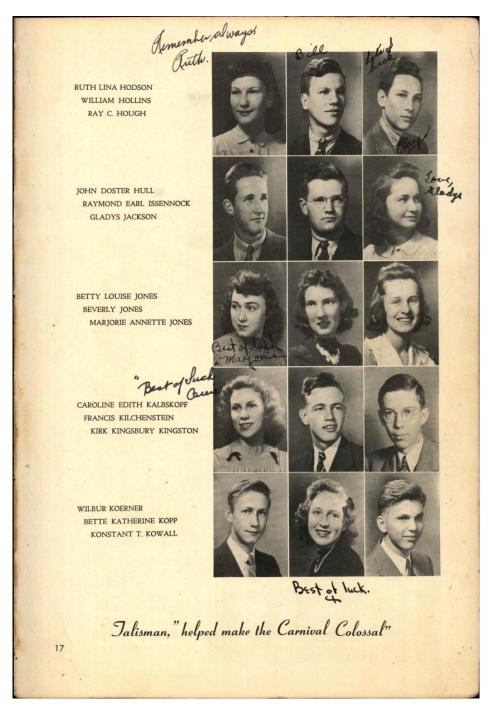
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1940 United States Census

"1940 United States Federal Census," database, *Ancestry* (ancestry.com: accessed April 25, 2024), entry for John D Hull, Townson, Maryland.

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1942 Townson High School Yearbook

"U.S., School Yearbooks, 1900-2016," database, *Ancestry* (ancestry.com: accessed April 25, 2024), entry for John Doster Hull, Townson, Maryland.

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John Hull World War II Draft Card

"U.S., World War II Draft Cards Young Men, 1940-1947," database, *Ancestry* (ancestry.com: accessed April 25, 2024), entry for John Doster Hull, Townson, Maryland.

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Name	John D Hull
Race	White
Marital Status	Single, without dependents (Single)
Rank	Private
Birth Year	1924
Nativity State or Country	New York
Citizenship	Citizen
Residence	Baltimore, Maryland
Education	4 years of high school
Civil Occupation	Athletes, sports instructors, and sports officials
Enlistment Date	3 Apr 1943
Enlistment Place	Baltimore, Maryland
Service Number	33719186
Branch	No branch assignment
Component	Selectees (Enlisted Men)
Source	Civil Life
Height	55
Weight	129

World War II Enlistment Record

"U.S., World War II Army Enlistment Records, 1938-1946," database, *Ancestry* (ancestry.com: accessed April 25, 2024), entry for John D Hull, Baltimore, Maryland.

https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/6171397:8939

Name	John D Hull
Race	White
Residence Place	Maryland, USA
Report Date	6 Jun 1944
Latest Report Date	28 Sep 1944
Grade	Staff Sergeant
Grade Notes	Major or Asst. superintendent of nurses or Director of nurses or Director of dietitians or Director of physical therapy aides or Staff Sergeant or Technician 3d Grade or Lt. Commander or Petty Officer, 2nd Class
Arm or Service	Air Corps
Arm or Service Code	Air Corps
Area Served	Middle East Theatre: Rumania
Detaining Country	Germany
Status	Returned to Military Control, Liberated or Repatriated
Report Source	Individual has been reported through sources considered official.

World War II Prisoner of War

"U.S., World War II American and Allied Prisoners of War, 1941-1946," database, *Ancestry* (ancestry.com: accessed April 25, 2024), entry for John D Hull.

https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/64373:8919

Name	John D Hull
Admission Date	May 1944
Discharge Date	1944
Diagnosis	Diagnosis: Verruca vulgaris; SecondDiagnosis: Lymphangitis
Type of Discharge	Duty
Length of Service	No entry made
Service Number	33719186

World War II Hospital Admission

"U.S., World War II Hospital Admission Card Files, 1942-1954," database, *Ancestry* (ancestry.com: accessed April 25, 2024), entry for John D Hull.

https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/16102911:61817

Name	John D Hull
Gender	Male
Race	White (includes Mexican) (White)
Rank	Enlisted Man (includes Aviation Cadet or Student)
Admission Age	19
Birth Date	abt 1925
Admission Date	Aug 1944
Discharge Date	Aug 1946
Discharge Place	General Hospital
Military Branch	Air Force, Bombardment Units
Military Unit	4
Diagnosis	Diagnosis: Amputation stump, unsatisfactory; Location: Leg; Diagnosis: Nasal septum, deviation of; Diagnosis: Varicocele
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World War II Hospital Admission

"U.S., World War II Hospital Admission Card Files, 1942-1954," database, *Ancestry* (ancestry.com: accessed April 25, 2024), entry for John D Hull.

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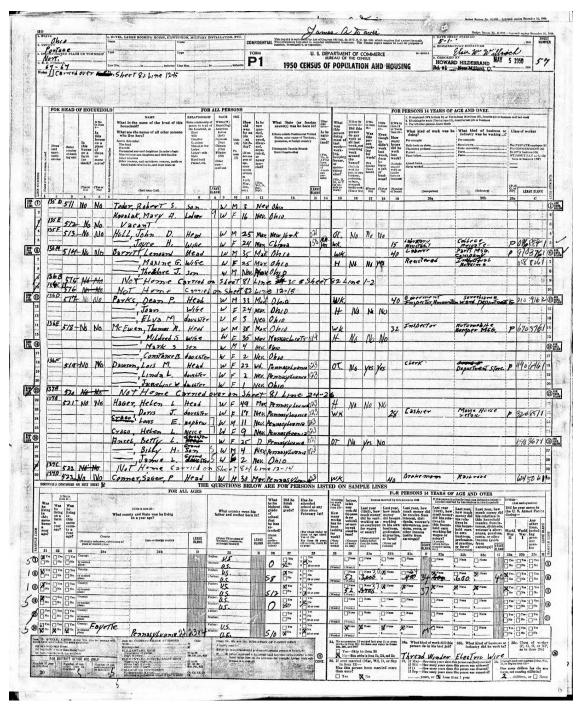
John's Engagement to Joyce Holroyd

"Engagement Told," Miami Herald, December 2, 1947.

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Transcription:

"DELRAY BEACH—Of interest here is the announcement of the engagement of Miss Joyce Elizabeth Holroyd, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Waldie Holroyd, to John Doster Hull, son of Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Hull of Baltimore. Miss Holroyd is a graduate of the Delray Beach high school and will graduate from Hiram college, in June."



1950 United States Census

"1950 United States Federal Census," database, *Ancestry* (ancestry.com: accessed April 25, 2024), entry for John D Hull, Windham, Ohio.

https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/207299635:62308



1957 Orlando City Directory

"U.S., City Directories, 1822-1995," database, *Ancestry* (ancestry.com: accessed April 25, 2024), entry for John D Hull, Orlando, Florida.

https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/668963030:2469

Birth of John's Son

"Births Reported," Orlando Evening Star, May 24, 1958.

https://www.newspapers.com/image/290375063/?match=1&clipping_id=145671810

Summary:

The article lists a few births that took place at Orange Memorial Hospital. The third entry reads "Mr. and Mrs. John D. Hull, 4807 Big Oaks Lanes, boy, 6 lbs, 10 oz."

John Hull Quoted in Article About Orlando Port Authority Bill

"Port Authority Bill Gets Big Boost," Orlando Sentinel, August 22, 1959.

https://www.newspapers.com/image/223119962/?clipping_id=145671973

Transcription:

(This article concerns an Orlando Port Authority Bill established to construct a new airport in the city. At the time the article was written, the bill was a few days out from being voted on. Hull, as the administrative director of the U.S. Navy Underwater Sound Reference Laboratory on Deep Lake, was asked to describe his reasoning for joining a committee headed by an individual that opposed the bill. His response is as follows:)

"...Hull is administrative director of the U.S. Navy Underwater Sound Reference Laboratory on Deep Lake, has been in Orlando four years and he and his wife live at 4807 Big Oaks Lane. An amputee, he has been an unpaid lobbyist in Congress for disabled veterans.

Langford is with the Martin Co. and he and his wife live at 1345 Spring Dr.

Hull said last night there are "several more" in the Citizens' Committee for Good Govt, "some of whom don't want to be identified because of their positions."

He said the group originally was made up of friends and neighbors, most of whom attend the same church, and was formed about three weeks ago "because we felt we were not getting enough information on major issues and candidates for office."

"We decided we wanted to organize in order to inform ourselves and in turn their voters to take a stand on major issues. As it so happens, the first thing that came along was the port authority bill."

"We had three attorneys go over it and their findings were reported to us and we decided to go over it and to take a stand."

"Understand, we are not taking a stand for or against the airport, just the port authority bill," Hull said..."

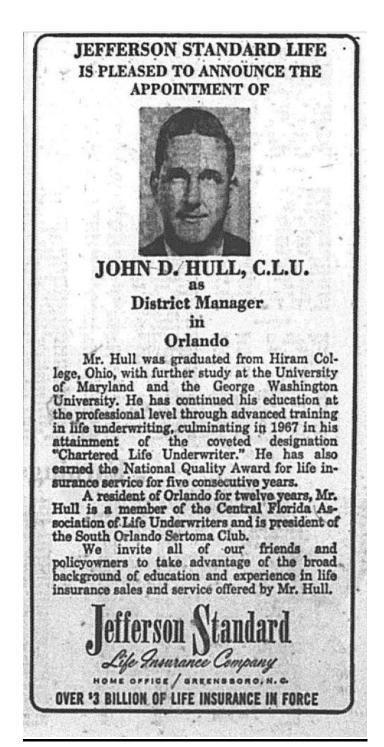
(The rest of the article consists of additional comments from the committee and discussion on the feasibility of the airport's construction.)

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1966 Florida Divorce Index

"Florida, U.S., Divorce Index, 1927-2001," database, *Ancestry* (ancestry.com: accessed April 25, 2024), entry for John Hull, Lake County, Florida.

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John Hull Appointed District Manager of Life Insurance Firm

"Jefferson Standard Life," Orlando Sentinel, March 8, 1968.

Robert Hull (John's Father) Obituary

"Obituaries," Orlando Sentinel, March 10, 1969.

https://www.newspapers.com/image/224273327/?focus=0.009732422%2C0.05553963%2C0.24589588%2C0.118069515&xid=3355&clipping_id=145600650

Transcription:

"Mr. Robert Franklin Hull, 80, of 2901 Gatlin Ave., Orlando, died Friday,
He was a native of New York and came to Orlando from Baltimore, Md. He was a
Quaker, real estate broker, member of American Legion, former director National Association of
Real Estate Board, vice president New York Real Estate Board, former president Real Estate
Brokers Round Table, former director Society of Real Estate Appraisers.

Survivors: two sons, John D. Hull of Orlando and Robert F. Hull Jr., of San Diego, Calif.; sister-in-law, Mrs. Ruth T. Blackburn, Melbourne; seven grandchildren; two great-grandchildren. Garden Chapel Home for Funerals."

Name	John Doster Hull
Gender	Male
Race	White
Marriage Date	11 Dec 1970
Marriage Place	Orange, Florida, USA
Spouse	Alice Ida Moore
Certificate	067167
Volume	2989
Source	Florida Department of Health

Marriage to Alice Moore

"Florida, U.S., Marriage Indexes, 1822-1875 and 1927-2001," database, *Ancestry* (ancestry.com: accessed April 25, 2024), entry for John Doster Hull, Orange County, Florida.

https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/10845097:8784

Article About John and Alice

"The Bridal Book," Orlando Sentinel, January 5, 1971.

https://www.newspapers.com/image/225570825/?match=1&clipping_id=145667913

Transcription:

"HALL-CRONEBAUGH—Alice M. Cronebaugh and John D. Hull were married Dec. 11 in Cassadaga.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Moore, North Carolina. The bridegroom is the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Robert Franklin Hull, Baltimore.

The Rev. Robert acDonald, President of National Spiritualist Association of Churches, officiated at the ceremony. Mrs. Julia Slater, the Rev. D. Mona Berry and Florence MacDonald attended the couple.

The couple will live in Orlando."

John Hull Elected Vice President of Central Florida Chapter of Life <u>Underwriter Society</u>

"Brawner Elected Chapter President," Orlando Sentinel, July 6, 1975.

https://www.newspapers.com/image/225221746/?match=1&clipping_id=145860047

Transcription:

"Paul Brawner, Provident Life Accident Co, has been elected president of the Central Florida Chapter of the American Society of Chartered Life Underwriters. John D. Hull, Acacia Mutual, was elected first vice president; Bob Lyman, Prudential, second vice president, and James Baumann, Pan American, secretary treasurer."

Marriage of John's Stepdaughter (Alice's Daughter)

"Weddings," Orlando Sentinel, October 7, 1976.

https://www.newspapers.com/image/224522299/?match=1&terms=john%20d.%20hull&article=df493e07-7091-4795-86ef-966b63a22340

Transcription:

"BOHRMAN-CRONEBAUGH—Alice Kay Cronebaugh and Donald Edward Bohrman were married Sept. 25 in St. Peter's Episcopal Church, Columbia, Tenn.

The bride is the daughter of Mrs. John D. Hull, Altamonte Springs and Charles W. Cronebaugh, Apopka.

The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert A. Bohrman, Columbia, Tenn. After a wedding trip to Heber Springs, Ark., the couple will live in Memphis, Tenn."

(A picture of Alice accompanies the article.)

Engagement of John and Joyce's Daughter Amy

"Sentinel Star Engagements," Orlando Sentinel, December 31, 1976.

https://www.newspapers.com/image/224601450/?focus=0.28064448%2C0.40926632%2C0.51485145%2C0.6673967&xid=3398&article=d241c651-1f2f-46d2-8549-0c341ea92dc0

Transcription:

"HULL-CAMPBELL—Mr. And Mrs. John M. LeGare of Orlando, and John D. Hull of Altamonte Springs, announce the engagement of their daughter Amy Louise Hull to Gaines Pendleton Campbell III, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gaines P. Campbell Jr., Lookout Mountain, Tenn. The wedding is set for June 25.

The bride-elect graduated from William R. Boone High School, Orlando, and attends Centre College, Danville, Ky.

Her fiance graduated from McCallie High School, Chattanooga, Tenn., and attends Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tenn."

Engagement of John and Joyce's Daughter Bonnie

"Engagements," Orlando Sentinel, April 22, 1981.

https://www.newspapers.com/image/226702087/?match=1&terms=john%20d.%20hull&article=011e99f4-e020-40f4-a776-9fb3782b5a2e

Transcription:

"Hull-Hart—Mrs. Joyce H. Hull and John D. Hull, Orlando, announce the engagement of their daughter, Bonnie Jo, to George J. Hart III, son of Mr. and Mrs. George J. Hart Jr., Maitland. The wedding is June 6. The bride-elect graduated from Boone High. Her fiance graduated from Central Dauphin High, Harrisburg, Pa."

Marriage of John and Joyce's Son Thomas

"Weddings," Orlando Sentinel, April 8, 1984.

https://www.newspapers.com/image/228177433/?match=1&clipping_id=145860494

Transcription:

"Hull-Harger—Sherilyn Fay Harger and Thomas Scott Hull were married March 3 in All Saints Episcopal Church, Winter Park. The bride is the daughter of Fay William Harger, Oviedo. The bridegroom is the son of Joyce Hull, Windermere, and John D. Hull, Altamonte Springs. After a wedding trip to North Carolina, the couple is living in Altamonte Springs."

(A picture of Thomas' bride Sherilyn accompanies the notice.)

John Hull's 2013 Interview for the UCF Veterans History Project

John D. Hull, interviewed by Blake Whitney for the University of Central Florida's Veterans History Project, Winter Park, Florida, May 22, 2013,

https://stars.library.ucf.edu/veteransoralhistories/168/.

Log:

0:37 Biographical Information; 2:45 Drafted into Air Corps; 3:20 Basic Training; 4:00 Radio/Gunnery School; 5:51 Joins aircraft crew; 7:20 Reasons for selecting Air Corps; 7:50 Adapting to military life; 9:00 Life in Basic Training; 10:50 Social life throughout training; 12:23 Journey to Italy; 15:15 Duties on board aircraft; 16:01 Typical day abroad; 17:37 Uniform; 20:20 Shot down by enemy; 22:24 Relationships in service; 24:16 Taken POW; 28:30 Letters home; 30:40 Miami Biltmore hospital; 32:20 Green Bough hotel; 33:00 Time at Walter Reed hospital; 36:30 Time back in Baltimore; 39:40 Adjustment to civilian life; 44:30 Veterans Associations Memberships; 45:00 Military medals; 46:00 Life lessons learned throughout service; 47:08 Experiences in Cuba; 48:30 Concerns about current military.

John Hull's 2015 Interview for the UCF Veterans History Project

John D. Hull, interviewed by Stephen Hall for the University of Central Florida's Veterans History Project, Orlando, Florida, November 12, 2015,

https://stars.library.ucf.edu/veteransoralhistories/407/.

Log:

0:01 Introduction; 0:54 Birthplace and date; 1:10 Parents' occupations; 1:19 Siblings; 1:27 Move to Baltimore and high school experience; 2:12 Work at the Glenn L. Martin Company; 2:59 Brother's service in the Navy; 3:11 Enlistment in Army Air Corps; 4:19 Basic Training on Miami Beach; 5:17 Adapting to military life; 5:31 Housing conditions and quarantine during training; 6:24 Leave and being stationed in Scott Field, IL; 7:06 Specialty as radio operator; 7:46 Gunnery school; 8:51 Other duties (including "Kitchen Police" duty); 10:59 Experience at Westover Field, MA; 12:42 Meeting crew members, training, and jail time in Charleston, SC; 19:10 Picking up an airplane at Mitchell Field, Long Island; 19:53 Journey to Senegal and interactions with West Africans; 21:54 Exploring the town of Tunis, Tunisia; 22:50 Switching aircrafts in Goia, Italy and Manduria, Italy; 25:08 Experiences and conditions of Manduria; 27:30 Uniforms; 30:50 Leading men in marching to get exercise; 31:34 Knowledge about the war; 32:00 Receiving letters from home, writing letters, and censorship of letters; 34:10 Conflicts between crew members; 35:25 Missions, including to Bratislava, Czechoslovakia; 37:26 Role of a radio operator on the missions; 38:20 Weather, "milk runs" training missions, and other details about missions; 40:23 Problems on missions, first mission on D-Day; 42:35 Being shot down by enemy aircraft on ninth mission; 43:42 Getting injured by enemy aircraft; 46:03 Bailing out; 48:50 Injuries; 50:28 Treatment and rescue by locals; 52:57 Contemplated converting to Christianity; 54:40 Bucharest military hospital; 57:25 Romanian Prison Camp; 59:00 Amputation; 1:01:25 Being dive-bombed by Germans after the Romanians change sides; 1:02:30 Being set free and moving locations; 1:03:50 Asking someone to get him food from town; 1:05:35 Picked up by the U.S. B17 planes; 1:06:25 Coming back to the states after rescue; 1:09:20 Experience with being in the hospital; 1:10:40 Awards and decorations; 1:11:50 Giving speeches while recovering; 1:14:20 Meeting President Truman; 1:15:30 Recounting his military experience in a book; 1:17:00 Thinking back on experiences in the military; 1:18:05 Conclusion.

Name	John D Hull
Rank	Technical Sergeant
Death Age	94
Birth Date	24 Oct 1924
Death Date	22 Nov 2018
Interment Place	Mims, Florida, USA
Cemetery Address	5525 Highway 1
Cemetery Postal Code	32754
Cemetery	Cape Canaveral National Cemetery
Cemetery Section	Cape Canaveral National Cemetery A-A7
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Section	A-A7
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Section Row Plot	A-A7 B 36
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John Hull Veterans Gravesite

"U.S., Veterans' Gravesites, ca.1775-2019," database, *Ancestry* (ancestry.com: accessed April 26, 2024), entry for John D Hull, Mims, Florida.

https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/7813630:8750



John Hull's Niche Marker in Cape Canaveral National Cemetery

UCF Veterans Legacy Program, *Niche Marker for John D Hull*, photograph, 2024, Cape Canaveral National Cemetery, Mims, FL.