

# AF Identifies 6 Killed In Crash of Tachi C-130

TOKYO (S&S)—The U.S. Air Force Monday identified six men killed Sunday when their C-130 Hercules cargo plane crashed two miles east of Korat AB, Thailand.

All crew members were assigned to the 315th Air Div.'s 815th Troop Carrier Sq. at Tachikawa AB.

(The plane was making a landing approach to Korat AB in

northeast Thailand when it crashed, UPI reported. It was en route from Taiwan.

(A U.S. Air Force spokesman at Tachikawa said a team of Air Force officers was on its way to Korat to investigate the cause of the crash.)

The crewmen were identified as Maj. Theodore R. Loeschner, (Continued on Page 6, Col. 4)

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37, pilot; 1st Lt. Charles M. Dansby, 28, co-pilot; Capt. Robert A. Butterfield, 33, navigator; SSgt. Donnie D. Ezell, 27, flight engineer; A1C James T. Gray, 24, loadmaster, and SSgt. Peter R. Coyman, 25, crew chief.

Loeschner is survived by his widow, Margaret L., and three children, David G., 11; Dwight M., 10, and Siri M., 9, who live at the Green Park Housing Annex in Tokyo. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Theodore R. Loeschner, Del Mar, N.Y.

Dansby is survived by his widow, Carolyn S., who lives at Tachikawa AB. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Walter W. Dansby, Fort Worth, Tex.

Gray is survived by his

children, Byron T., 9; Michael E., 7; Rebecca L., 5, and Leslie G., 3, who live at the Kanto Mura Housing Annex, Tokyo. He was the son of Warner G. Butterfield, Lompoc, Cal., and Mrs. Velma B. Ridout, Benzonia, Mich.

Ezell is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ezell Jr., Pollard, Ark.

Gray is survived by his widow, Emily A., and a step-daughter, Vickie L. Perry, 5, who live at Harrison, Tenn.; his father, J. T. A. Gray, McConnell AFB, Kan., and his mother, Annie L. M. Rye, Chattanooga, Tenn.

Coyman's survivors are his wife, Judith A., and his two children, Heather A., 19 months, and Peter E., 7 months, who live at Tachikawa AB.