

Jim Schroeder: When I left service, I didn't stay in contact with Watkins' crew, until about 19 ... oh, 1990. And they used to have get-together's every so often after the war. But, I ...they didn't find me until about 1990. So, we went ... they had reunions every year. But, they kept getting further and further because, you know, we all got up in age and they couldn't make it. But, we went to Kentucky, and ... let's see ... oh, at Texas. We had one [at] Oklahoma, we had some.... So, we all got together for, I did anyway, for about five, [or] six reunions. But, then they started, you know, passing away. The bomber Pat Skag, died, and a few others - Sid Stone, the radio man. And so, there's only four of us actually left on the crew.

Janis Kozlowski: Do you have any contact with them now?

Jim Schroeder: I had a contact with the photographer. He only lives about 30 miles away, and I see him once or twice a year.

Janis Kozlowski: Is that Harry Kowalski?

Jim Schroeder: I meant Kowalski, yeah.

Janis Kozlowski: Is his first name, Harry?

Jim Schroeder: Hank. Hank Kowalski.

You know, there's another person - he was the last one to go to ... he was - I guess he had problems with the engine, and they flew to Russia and was interned at the end of the war. But, he didn't spend six months there. He got a, I think he was only there about a month and a half. But ... his name is Burgess. And I - see, I haven't seen him for about a year.