**Glenn Miller**

**Alton Glenn Miller** (March 1, 1904 – missing in action December 15, 1944) was an American [big band](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Big_band_music) musician, arranger, composer, and [bandleader](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bandleader) in the [swing](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Swing_(genre)) era. He was the best-selling recording artist from 1939 to 1943, leading one of the best known [big bands](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Big_band). Miller's recordings include "[In the Mood](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/In_the_Mood)", "[Moonlight Serenade](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Moonlight_Serenade)", "[Pennsylvania 6-5000](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/PEnnsylvania_6-5000_(song))", "[Chattanooga Choo Choo](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Chattanooga_Choo_Choo)", "[A String of Pearls](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/A_String_of_Pearls_(song))", "[At Last](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/At_Last)", "[(I've Got a Gal In) Kalamazoo](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/(I%27ve_Got_a_Gal_In)_Kalamazoo)", "[American Patrol](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/American_Patrol)", "[Tuxedo Junction](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tuxedo_Junction)", "[Elmer's Tune](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Elmer%27s_Tune)", and "[Little Brown Jug](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Little_Brown_Jug_(song))". While he was traveling to entertain U.S. troops in France during [World War II](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/World_War_II), Miller's aircraft disappeared in bad weather over the [English Channel](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/English_Channel).