Flt. Sgt. Daniel Gilbert Adams 1391578 RAFVR



Bomb-aimer Daniel Adams and his Lancaster crew were on their 12th operation when they were killed in a raid on Munich in April 1944.

Their aircraft, ND537 EA-S, of No. 49 Squadron, was almost five hours into the operation when it is believed his aircraft was damaged by flak and then shot down by a night-fighter flown by Oblt Heinz Rokker, crashing between Pastetten and Reithofen, east of Munich. There were no survivors.

They had taken off from RAF Fiskerton at 2107 hours on the night of 24/25 April, part of an all-Lancaster force of 234 aircraft which carried out an accurate and highly-effective raid on the major German city. Nine aircraft were lost from Bomber Command's aircraft.

Daniel lived in Stoke Newington in London with his wife Eileen, and was the 27-year-old son of Daniel and Henrietta Adams. He and his crew are buried in Durnbach War Cemetery.

The others who died were pilot P/O Frank Clark, flight engineer Sgt. Frank Shaw, navigator Flt. Sgt. Douglas Rolfe, wireless operator Flt. Sgt. Terence Connatty, mid-upper gunner Sgt. Frederick Castle and rear gunner Flt. Sgt. Frank Hubbard.

His name can be found on panel 001.

Sources: 49 Squadron Association/Bomber Command War Diaries by Martin Middlebrook.