

P/O Walter Waldron Adams 150243 RAFVR



Walter Adams was the pilot officer pilot of a 82 OTU Vickers Wellington lost after taking off on a cross country training exercise on Monday 9 August 1943.

Walter and his crew were on board Wellington X MS471 KA-G and took off from RAF Ossington. During the return, the starboard engine failed during the low level circuit. The pilot attempted a crash landing in a cornfield, at approx 1500 hours, at Grimston Hill (between Wellow and Ompton) 10 miles SSW from Retford, Nottinghamshire but the aircraft stalled and crashed. None of the crew survived.

Walter, who was 24, was the son of Walter Alexander and Madeline Maude Adams of Winton, Bournemouth.

Killed with him were the navigator F/O Frank Graham Bell, wireless operator/air-gunner Sgt. Roland Walter Ballauff, bomb-aimer P/O Herbert Ibbott RCAF, and air-gunner Sgt. Peter Baldwin.

Walter is buried at Bournemouth Crematorium.

His name can be found on IBCC panel 001.

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