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George Barrington was a young wireless

operator who was killed along with his crew when, it was believed, his Lancaster was shot down over the North Sea during a raid on Berlin at the end of January 1944.

He and his crew were on their fourth operation with 630 Squadron and had taken off from East Kirkby at 23:46 on the night of 28 January, one of twelve from the squadron joining a force of 677 bombers taking part in the continuing of Bomber Command's 'Battle of Berlin'. Forty-six were lost, including two from 630 Squadron, the other being flown by the squadron commanding officer, W/C John Rollinson DFC.

George's aircraft, Lancaster JB654 LE-C, was officially listed as lost without trace but it was believed the aircraft was shot down by a night-fighter off the Dutch coast. No bodies were ever recovered.

His home was in Liverpool, and he was the twenty-one-year-old son of Thomas and Florence Barrington.

The others who died were the pilot PO Donald Story RAAF, flight engineer Sgt Douglas James, navigator PO Francis Peacock, bomb-aimer FO Herbert Cairns, mid-upper gunner PO Harold Barrons RCAF and rear gunner Flt Sgt George Dove. All are remembered on the Runnymede Memorial.

George's name can be found on panel 006.

Source: 630 Squadron Association.