

Sgt Ronald Henry Doull 1449870 RAFVR



A 626 Squadron Lancaster

Ronald Doull was the bomb-aimer of a young Lancaster crew killed early in their tour of operations in a raid on Berlin.

He was part of the crew of Lancaster DV190 UM-B2, of 626 Squadron, which was shot down by flak in the early hours of 2 January 1944, crashing at Gardelegen, midway between Wolfsburg and Berlin. There was only one survivor, the flight engineer Sgt. J Edwards, who was badly injured in the process of escaping from the aircraft.

DV190, an ex-12 Squadron Lancaster, was one of 28 lost in the raid, which was part of Bomber Command's sustained assault on the German capital in the winter of 1943-44.

Ronald was the 22-year-old son of Ronald and Lily Doull and his home was in Ilford, Essex.

The others killed were the pilot Sgt. Ernest Berry, flight engineer Sgt. Eric Atkinson, wireless operator Sgt. Stanley Henderson, mid-upper gunner Sgt. Victor Trayler and rear gunner Sgt. John Waters.

His name can be found on panel 030.

Sources: Tom Bint, 626 Squadron Association.