

Sgt. Frank O'Kearney Eivers 1259439 RAFVR



A 103 Squadron Wellington at Elsham

Frank Eivers was the young co-pilot of a 103 Squadron Wellington that vanished during a raid on a Baltic port in 1942.

He was killed on the night of 25/26 April when his Wellington 1C DV579 (PM-Z) failed to return from a raid on Rostock. It had taken off from Elsham Wolds at 2145 hours, one of six Wellingtons provided by 103 for an attack involving 128 Bomber Command aircraft. No trace of aircraft or crew was ever found and they were recorded as 'lost without trace'.

Frank was 20 and the son of James and Evelyne Eivers of Upminster in Essex. He is remembered along with the rest of the crew on the Runnymede Memorial.

The others who died were the pilot Flt. Sgt. Charles Bray DFM RCAF, observer Sgt. Sidney Harle, wireless operator Sgt. Arthur Blencowe, wireless operator/air gunner Sgt. Harry Bullen and rear gunner Sgt. Dennis Musgrove.

His name can be found on panel 032.

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