

**Sgt. Ronald Thomas
Moore 1199640 RAFVR**

Ronald Moore was a 20-year-old wireless operator who was lost along with his crew on his 10th operation with 49 Squadron.

He was part of the crew of one of three 49 Squadron Lancasters lost during a raid on the Ruhr city of Oberhausen on the night of 14/15 June 1943.



His aircraft, ED453 (EA-G), pictured here at Fiskerton, had taken off from the airfield near Lincoln at 2230 hours and a little over three hours later was hit by flak and crashed at Klein Reken, half-way between the Ruhr and the Dutch border. There were no survivors from the eight-man crew, whose ages ranged from 19 to 32.

Ronald was the son of Thomas and Gladys Moore of Holland Park in London while his new wife came from Knaresborough in north Yorkshire.

The others who died were the pilot WO Norman Nixon, flight engineer Sgt. Colin Wilde, navigator Flt. Sgt. Sydney Bird RCAF (whose twin brother had recently been killed while flying with 115 Squadron), bomb-aimer Sgt. Norman Fyfe, second wireless operator Sgt. Edwin Dangerfield, mid-upper gunner Sgt. Robert Muir and rear gunner Sgt. Frederick Fowler. All are buried in the Reichswald Forest War Cemetery.

His name can be found on panel 075.

Sources: 49 Squadron Association.