

ACW1 Ella Esterina Eldon 2112312 WAAF

Ella was born on 13 April 1916 in Whitehaven, Cumberland, the daughter of Giovanni Rossi and Sarah Elizabeth Rossi nee Hodgson. In 1939 she married James Eldon in Whitehaven, Cumberland. They had one son.

Prior to joining the WAAF, Ella was the proprietor of a fish & chip shop in her home town of Cleaton Moor, Cumberland.

Ella enlisted in March 1943, leaving her son in the care of her parents, and worked with 5 Group, based at RAF Syerston, Nottinghamshire

On 11 April 1944 Ella was accidentally killed in a collision with a NAAFI lorry on the Fosse Way, whilst cycling from RAF Syerston to Newark.

Ella is buried in Whitehaven Cemetery, Cumberland

Ella is commemorated on Wall Panel 160

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