AC2 Frank William John Myles 1293271 RAFVR

Frank was born on 1 December 1911 in Poole, Dorset, the son of Frank Edward Myles and Lilian Elizabeth Myles nee Churchill. He married Katie Ivy Cox in 1939.

Educated at Broadstone School, Dorset, prior to entering the RAF he was a professional golfer in Dorset. Frank was a member of RAF Wattisham Ground Crew.

Just before midday on 31 January 1941, a lone He111 made a low level attack on RAF Wattisham and the local town of Stowmarket. The aircraft strafed and bombed both. One house in Stowmarket received a direct hit killing one civilian, and the large Congregational Church was destroyed by 3 bombs. It is unknown what the main target was, but the church itself could have been a target because it was believed the Germans knew that soldiers were often billeted in the old Gothic-style churches. There was also a string of war production factories alongside the railway lines.

On the airfield, Frank was killed instantly, one of 2 airmen killed, one other was injured in the attack.

Also killed was : AC2 John Edward Lowe

Frank is buried in Broadstone Cemetery, Poole, Dorset

Frank is commemorated on Wall Panel 217