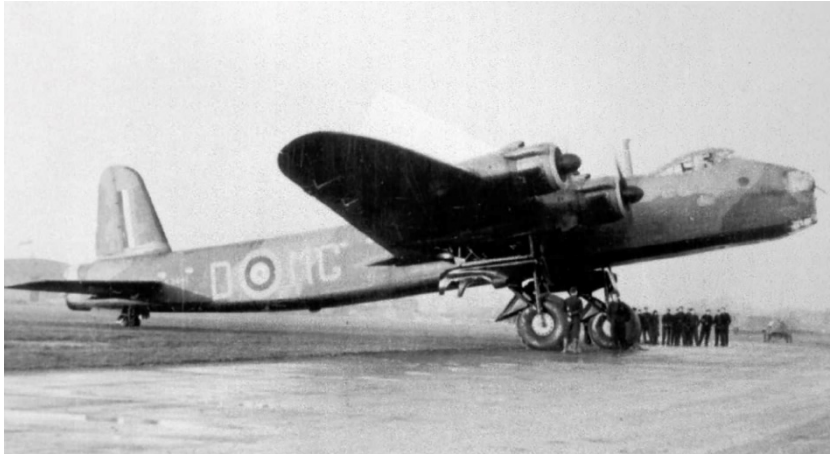


Flt. Sgt. Alfred Penn 746729 RAFVR



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RAF Oakington

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Alfred was the 23-year-old son of Alfred and Minnie Penn, of Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

He was a wireless operator/air gunner with No. 7 Squadron, based at RAF Oakington.

He and his crew took off from Oakington, in Short Stirling W7438 MG-A, at 0115 hours on 29 August 1941 on a night mission to attack Duisburg, Germany. Although they were last heard from at 0245 hours, the plane was reportedly coned by searchlights and hit by flak in the Ruhr area at around 0408 hours. It was witnessed burning in the air before exploding on impact as it crashed at Kaarst, WSW of Dusseldorf. All the crew were killed.

Alfred is buried with the rest of the crew at Rheinberg War Cemetery, Nordrhein-Westfalen, Germany. Coll. Grave 6. C 1-7. His inscription reads "Sadly missed and always remembered by Dad, Mother and brother".

The others who died with Alfred were:

Pilot	P/O John Ernest Chilvers
2 nd Pilot	Sgt. John William Blakey
Flight Engineer	Sgt. Frank Cecil Child
Observer	P/O Charles Francis Hart RCAF
Wireless Operator/Air Gunner	Sgt. Gordon Jeoffre Truscott
Air Gunner	Sgt. Norman Richard Cowin

Alfred is commemorated on Panel 225.

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