ACW2 Jean Scargill 2110495 WAAF

Jean was born on 30 December 1922 in Redcar, Yorkshire, the eldest daughter of Alexander Cowie and Gwen Cowie nee Keen. In 1943 she married Bombardier Jeffrey Scargill, Royal Artillery in Marske-by-the-Sea, Yorkshire.

Employed as a Shop Assistant before joining the WAAF, at the time of her death Jean was serving as a Driver with 1652 HCU at RAF Marston Moor, Yorkshire.

On the afternoon of 8 July 1943, Jean was parked in her MT vehicle on a dispersal pan on the airfield. A trainee pilot, on a training flight in a Halifax aircraft from 1652 HCU, misjudged the landing speed and, instead of going around for a second attempt at landing, continued the approach. At 16:08, the Halifax overshot the runway and struck Jean's MT vehicle. Jean sustained catastrophic head injuries and died at the scene.

Jean is buried in St Cuthbert Churchyard, Kirkleatham, Yorkshire

Jean is commemorated on Wall Panel 238