

LK170
RAF 295 Squadron
Stirling IV
Lost in action
Eede 19th September 1944



“We will remember them”
Remembrance tribute 19th September 2023
Eede, Sluis

Welkom

Reflectie en eerbetoon aan gevallenen

Bloemlegging

Lament – Silver Thistle Pipes & Drums

Slotwoorden

Victorious Retreat – Silver Thistle pipes & Drums

Welcome

Reflection and Tribute to the fallen

Laying of flowers

Lament – Silver Thistle Pipes & Drums

Closing words

Victorious Retreat – Silver Thistle Pipes & Drums

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As part of operation 'Market Garden' 16 Stirling IV RAF aircraft of 295 Squadron left RAF Harwell Berkshire during a daylight operation to resupply troops that had landed in the Arnhem area of Holland.



The planes encountered heavy opposition and many of the planes were severely damaged.

On the return journey plane LK170, piloted by Flight Sergeant Hall, was hit by flak and crashed near the village of Eede. All eight occupants were killed.

The remains of Alfred Wheeler were recovered and now rest in The Canadian Cemetery, Adegem.

The rest of the crew remain with their plane in the fields of Eede.

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Als onderdeel van operatie 'Market Garden' verlieten 16 Stirling IV RAF-vliegtuigen van 295 Squadron RAF Harwell Berkshire tijdens een operatie bij daglicht om troepen te bevoorraden die in de omgeving van Arnhem waren geland.



De vliegtuigen ondervonden hevige tegenstand en veel vliegtuigen raakten zwaar beschadigd.

Op de terugreis werd vliegtuig LK170, bestuurd door Flight Sergeant Hall, geraakt door luchtafweergeschut en stortte neer nabij het dorp Eede. Alle acht inzittenden kwamen om.

De stoffelijke resten van Alfred Wheeler werden teruggevonden en rusten nu op de Canadese begraafplaats, Adegem.

De rest van de bemanning blijft met hun vliegtuig in de velden van Eede.

LK170

Flight Sergeant Ray Hall, 22, Pilot

Flight Sergeant Arthur Marston, 22, Navigator

Flight Sergeant Eugene McDonald, 28, Bomb Aimer

Sergeant Bernard Fanthorpe, 20, Wireless Operator

Sergeant Alfred Wheeler, 23, Gunner

Sergeant Ewart John, 20, Flight Engineer

Drv Norman Enderby, 21, Despatcher

Drv Francis Holdsworth, 33, Despatcher

STIRLING VI L.K. 170. No 295 SQUADRON
missing from re-supply operations over
HOLLAND.

1803436. *S*ergeant. R.A. HALL. PILOT.
1578493. *S*ergeant. A. MARSTON NAVIGATOR
950919 *S*ergeant. E.P. MC-DONALD A/BOMBER.
1621519 *S*ergeant. B. FANTHORPE W/OPERATOR
1215716 *S*ergeant. A.S. WHEELER. A/GUNNER.
PLOT 6. ROW E. GRAVE 10. ADEGEM CEMETERY.
1836381. *S*ergeant. E.S. JOHN. F/ENGINEER.



They shall not grow old,
As we that are left grow old;
Age shall not weary them,
Nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun
and in the morning
We will remember them



Laurence Binyon

Flight Sergeant Arthur Marston



Thank you to the friends we have made in planning this trip

When you go home,
Tell them of us and say,
For your tomorrow, we gave our today.

John Maxwell Edmonds