R.A.F.V.R.

Roland Marshall Wilkinson

Rank: Flt. Sgt (Air Gunner)

Service No.: 1254323

101 Squadron

Residence: White Gate Cottage, Acrise

Before Service:

Roland was born on the 15/07/1910 at Canterbury

His parents were Roland Marshall Wilkinson & Sarah Hall

In 1933 Roland married Alice Joan Walker (nee' Turnbull, who was born 24/01/1913 in Elham) at St Gabriel's, Pimlico,

Westminster

Their daughter Sara Elizabeth Wilkinson was born during Q3 1936 Elham District. Sara married in Q2 of 1960 to David Roger Dyer.

The 1939 register shows the family were living at White Gate Cottage, Acrise During Service:

The operational log for 101 Squadron records the following:

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This report has an incorrect date, 11/8/42 should read 11/7/42



The crew of Vickers Wellington Mk III, Registration B.J.583 are listed as:

Pilot Officer Alexander Alfred Angel 111564 R.A.F.V.R. United Kingdom Aged 24 (Sage Cemetery 5.D.4). Son of Alfred John and Lucy Louisa Angel, of Streatham, London; husband of Constance Winifred Angel, of Streatham.

Flt.Sgt. (Air Observer) George Thomas Morris R/79504 R.C.A.F. Canadian Aged 28 (Sage Cemetery 3.A.15). Son of Mr. & Mrs. George Morris, Balcarres, Saskatchewan, Canada

Flt.Sgt. (Air Gunner) R.M. Wilkinson 1254323 R.A.F.V.R. United Kingdom Aged 31 (Sage Cemetery 3.A.16)

Flt.Sgt. (Air Gunner) Percival Eric John Howe R/85922 R.C.A.F. (Runnymede Memorial Panel 104).

Flt.Sgt. (Wireless Op./Air Gunner) Adam Jacob Gerein R/61672 R.C.A.F. Canadian Aged 24 (Sage Cemetery 3.A.14). Son of Anton F. and Magdalen Gerein, of Odessa, Saskatchewan, Canada.

101 Squadron Records show:

P/O Angel arrived on the squadron on 20/6/42, posted from No.2 O.T.U. Chipping Warden with effect from 12/06/42. 25/06/42 (1250323) **Sgt. R. Wilkinson** was posted from No. 420 R.C.A.F. Sqdn. Waddington.

The Operational Log above shows that their aircraft B.J. 583 is reported "missing" whilst on mine laying operations.

Date of Death: 11th July 1942 in Germany

Commemorated: On the Elham War Memorial

SAGE WAR CEMETERY, Niedersachsen, Germany

Cemetery/memorial reference: 3. A. 16.

The cemetery is located just south of Wilhelmshaven, where Roland and the crew had been 3 nights before.

