



WILLIAM SHERRON ANGLIN

Introduction

William Sherron Anglin was the son of W. Wendling Anglin and Josephine S. Anglin, of Montreal, Province of Quebec, Canada. He was born October 19th 1916 and was presumed dead May 30th 1943 at sea off Vlissingen. He attended Westmount High School and graduated in 1934. He was a Warrant Officer Class II (WOII) of the Royal Canadian Air Force (RCAF) during the Second World War.

Duties and Responsibilities during the Second World War

He was an air-bomber. The duties and responsibilities of a WOII were to supervise the flow of ammunition, fuel, food, water, etc, to and from the front. They also maintained discipline.



Last photo of William Sherron Anglin (on the left) with 429 RCAF Squadron.

Operation: Wuppertal

William Sherron Anglin was among the crew members of the 429 Squadron. 720 aircraft took off to attack the town of Wuppertal, Germany. This battle covered 1000 acres, destroyed 211 industrial buildings and an estimate of 4000 houses. The 429 Squadron was among the 36 aircraft that did not escape. It is believed that the aircraft was shot down by Lt. Rolf Bussmann and crashed into the Sea off Vlissingen.





FLT.-SGT. WILLIAM SHERRON ANGLIN, R.C.A.F., 25, who was previously reported missing after air operations over enemy territory, is now for official purposes presumed dead, according to today's official casualty list. Flt.-Sgt. Anglin was the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Wendling Anglin, 488 Mount Pleasant avenue. Enlisting with the R.C.A.F. on May 15, 1941, he graduated from the Bombing and Gunnery School at Mountain View, Ont., in April, 1942, and went overseas shortly afterwards. Prior to enlisting he was employed with the Aluminum Company of Canada at Kingston, and before that with the Bank of Toronto here. He was educated at Upper Canada College, Westmount High School and Sir George Williams College.

Runnymede Memorial

The memorial is located in Surrey, United Kingdom. It is dedicated specifically to the air force of 20 000 airmen. Anglin's name can be found in Panel 179.



W. S. Anglin is not Forgotten

After the loss of Anglin, his sweetheart gathered letters and gave them to his mother, Josephine with a message written, "I know I want to forget as soon as I am able, everything – and so I am sending you the few letters I had saved from those Bill sent me from England. I hope that you would rather have them, than not ...

perhaps they will make you glad to have something more – to know something else of Bill's life in

England ... rather than rake up memories you are trying to forget. For while I want to forget, I feel so sure that you will want to remember." Josephine never gave up hope that he would one day return.



Family photo of Bill, Josephine, William, Tom and family dog (1940)

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