



Light Night Striking Force

Crewmembers lost, missing, or taken prisoner

This document lists the losses of the RAF Light Night Striking Force for attacks on the Capital of the Reich, Berlin, in late 1944 to the end of the war in May 1945.

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Introduction

After having researched the history of the only Luftwaffe Night Fighter Unit that took the Messerschmitt Me 262 into nocturnal combat, I have also started to gather information on the crew members of the RAF Light Night Striking Force that got killed, went missing or were taken prisoner of war.

While this list is not strictly limited to members of the LNSF, they are representing the majority of service men listed here. Others are listed because their fate might be in direct or indirect relation to the events unfolding around "Kommando Welter" in these final months of the war.

This list has been compiled to provide a checklist of background information on these men in preparation for a book project. Anyone who can supply publishable personal information about these service men (e.g. photos, personal background, diary entries, flight logs, etc.) is more than welcome to do so – every contributor will receive full recognition of any source material published.

Regardless of the flags they flew under – we owe these men respect and as much as possible, I want to honor their names and those of their Luftwaffe adversaries by describing them as more than just numbers of lists of victims of war.

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"Those who cannot remember the past are condemned to repeat it"
(George Santayana)



RAF Losses of the LNSF

“Killed in Action” – KIA

Date	Name	Service No	RAF	Sqn.	A/C Serial	Location	Graveyard	Grave
1944-09-02	Woods, Harry (F/O)	139965	RAFVR	544	MM233	Weddin	Berlin	7.L.27
1944-09-02	Bullimore, Philip (F/SGT)	1545776	RAFVR	544	MM233	Weddin	Berlin	7.L.26
1944-09-12	Halcro, James Angus Francis (F/LT)	J/11483	RCAF	139	KB227	Schönwalde	Berlin	4.A.3
1944-09-12	Martin, Thomas James (F/LT)	J/22557	RCAF	139	KB227	Schönwalde	Berlin	4.A.4
1944-09-13	Barrett, Charles Rene (S/LDR)	61470	RAFVR	608	KB359	Near Nauen	Berlin	5.B.36
1944-09-13	Fogden, Edward Sydney (F/O)	168808	RAFVR	608	KB359	Near Nauen	Berlin	5.B.37
1944-09-14	Moylan, Hilary Patrik (F/O)	403640	RAAF	540	LR406	Bad Grund / Badenhausen	Hannover	10.E.3
1944-09-14	Morrell, William Robert (F/SGT)	1578889	RAFVR	540	LR406	Bad Grund / Badenhausen	Hannover	2.C.5
1944-09-16	Smith, Bert Howard (F/LT)	J/11053	RVAF	608	KB239	Rangsdorf	Berlin	5.E.30
1944-09-16	Pegg, Leonard Frederick (F/O)	1338509	RAFVR	608	KB239	Rangsdorf	Berlin	5.E.29
1944-09-16	Osborne, Edward Walter (F/O)	160669	RAF	239	PZ226	Tessin / Raguth	Berlin	2.N.21
1944-09-16	Acheson, George Victor (P/O)	185019	RAFVR	239	PZ226	Tessin / Raguth	Berlin	2.N.20
1944-09-18	Hunter, Geoffrey Colin Devas (F/LT)	126596	RAF	544	MM231	Meetzen	Berlin	6.H.27
1944-09-18	Fielden, John (F/O)	141154	RAFVR	544	MM231	Meetzen	Berlin	6.H.28
1944-09-18	Rutherford, Norman Bayne (F/LT)	68194	RAFVR	627	DZ635	Geestmünde	Becklingen	24.B.14
1944-09-18	Stanbury, Frederick Herbert (P/O)	54874	RAF	627	DZ635	Geestmünde	Becklingen	24.B.14
1944-09-18	Paterson, David Clark (F/LT)	126709	RAFVR	515	NS962	Plantlünne A/F	Reichswald	15.G.17
1944-09-18	Smith, Thomas John Roy (SGT)	1582261	RAFVR	515	NS962	Plantlünne A/F	Reichswald	15.G.18
1944-09-18	Eastwood, Kenneth (F/O)	136429	RAFVR	23	PZ177	Near Gütersloh	Hannover	12.E.1
1944-09-18	Rogers, Griffith Gilbert (F/LT)	121119	RAFVR	23	PZ177	Near Gütersloh	Hannover	12.E.2
1944-10-12	Reeder, Stanley Warren (F/O)	172402	RAFVR	608	KB348	Potsdam	Berlin	4.K.26
1944-10-12	Bolton, Robert John (F/SGT)	442325	RAAF	608	KB348	Potsdam	Berlin	4.K.27
1944-10-31	King, Kenneth Henry (F/O)	149202	RAFVR	128	KB199	Beckum	Reichswald	31.F.7
1944-11-27	Kitchen, Alfred Edward (F/O)	173155	RAFVR	109	ML979		Kampen	10.5
1944-11-30	Walnut, Bernard Joesph	184879	RAFVR	141	PZ234	Werpeloh	Reichswald	31.G.7
1944-11-25	Chwalibog, Zygmunt Marian (F/SGT)		PL		PZ333		Reichswald	
1944-11-25	Parzych, Zenon		PL		PZ333		Reichswald	1.C.17
1944-11-26	Nugent, Kingsley Osborn George (F/SGT)	161659	RAFVR	305	PZ278	Coesfeld	Reichswald	12.D.13
1944-11-26	Moseley, George Winthrop Sargent (F/LT)	114927	RAF	305	PZ278	Coesfeld	Reichswald	12.D.14
1944-12-06	Weir, Graeme Robert Eric (F/O)	141774	RAFVR	608	KB235		Wijhe/NL	41.E.3
1944-12-06	Hardy, John Edward Cecil (F/O)	170251	RAFVR	608	KB235		Wijhe/NL	41.E.1
1944-12-09	Harrison, Charles Melville (F/LT)	118127	RAFVR	139	KB205		Horton-in-Ribblesdale, UK	126
1944-12-09	Dodds, Gordon Harry (F/O)	421929	RNZAF	139	KB205		Cambridge	15120
1945-01-02	Howard, James Paul Ogilvie (F/LT)	J/8790	RCAF	139	KB222	Natho	Berlin	5.C.19
1945-01-02	Williams, Derek Gordon (F/LT)	151596	RAFVR	139	KB222	Natho	Berlin	5.C.18
1945-01-05	Eichler, Bohuslav (F/LT)	82543	RAFVR	142	KB397		Cambridge	15158
1945-01-05	Logie, George (SGT)	1569774	RAFVR	142	KB397		Elgin	N.16
1945-01-15	Green, Robert Joseph George (S/LDR)	109084	RAFVR	139	MM132		Ripon	B.591



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1945-01-15	Robson, John Henry (F/LT)	121950	RAFVR	139	MM132		Bridlington	W.34
1945-01-15	Drane, Peter James (F/LT)	149531	RAFVR	139	KB263		Pinner	H.6.152
1945-01-15	Swale, Kenneth (F/O)	172347	RAFVR	139	KB263		Chesterfield	D.317
1945-01-14	Maddock, Jack (F/O)	51271	RAFVR	571	ML976		Brussels	X.27.43
1945-01-14	Phillips, James (F/SGT)	1564419	RAFVR	571	ML976		Brussels	X.27.42
1945-01-15	Morgan, John Perenara (P/O)	413881	RNZAF	692	MM150		Cambridge	15719
1945-01-15	Sturrock, John Alexander Mckenzie (SGT)	1800054	RAFVR	692	MM150		New Southgate	A.C.963
1945-01-15	Chaudry, George Raymond Peter (F/O)	161264	RAFVR	692	MM128		Schoonselhof	V.A.80
1945-01-15	Ayre, George Francis (F/SGT)	433081	RAAF	692	MM128		Schoonselhof	V.A.81
1945-03-05	MacLean, Malcolm Hamilton Murray (F/LT)	414311	RAAF	608	KB197		Leopoldsburg/BE	VI.D.18
1945-03-05	Todd, Richard (SGT)	1673062	RAFVR	608	KB197		Leopoldsburg/BE	VI.D.19
1945-03-07	Armstrong, John David (S/LDR)	J/5707	RCAF	128	RV306		Bergen-op-Zoom	8.D.12
1945-03-07	Whyte, William Edward (F/O)	J/42207	RCAF	128	RV306		Bergen-op-Zoom	8.D.11
1945-03-22	MacPhee, Ian Malcom (W/O)	1137803	RAFVR	692	PF392		Berlin	8.D.34
1945-03-22	Sullivan, Albert Victor (SGT)	538944	RAF	692	PF392		Berlin	8.D.33
1945-03-23	Berriford, Norman Chesworth (F/LT)	122344	RAFVR	139	KB390		Berlin	3.A.25
1945-03-24	Day, Robert Ogilvie (F/LT)	42559	RAF	139	KB367		Heesch./NL	2
1945-03-27	Hudson, Gordon David (F/O)	413419	RNZAF	571	RV326		Leek/NL	D.15
1945-03-27	Gant, Maurice George (F/O)	J/42505	RCAF	571	RV326		Leek/NL	D.15
1945-04-04	Dow, Thomas Roy Asquith (S/LDR)	41266	RAF	139	KB349		Berlin	7.L.20
1945-04-04	Endersby, Jack Stuart (F/LT)	116884	RAFVR	139	KB349		Berlin	3.C.25
1945-04-05	Beaton, Alexander Collie (F/SGT)	1063934	RAFVR	139	RV305	Lockstedt	Berlin	9.E.20
1945-04-11	Houghton, William (F/O)	149594	RAFVR	163	KB502		Berlin	2.C.2
1945-04-11	Stegman, Lance Anthony (F/SGT)	435689	RAAF	163	KB502		Berlin	2.C.1
1945-04-14	Horsaman, Granville (F/O)	153841	RAFVR	138	RF143		Berlin	7.L.22-25
1945-04-14	Larcombe, Stephen (F/SGT)	1338252	RAFVR	138	RF143		Berlin	7.L.22-25
1945-04-14	Williams, Vincent Rees Macdonald (F/O)	164241	RAFVR	138	RF143		Berlin	7.L.21
1945-04-14	Bagshaw, Graham Morris (W/O)	417779	RAAF	138	RF143		Berlin	7.L.22-25
1945-04-14	Cotter, Thomas Anthony (SGT)	1903525	RAFVR	138	RF143		Berlin	7.L.19
1945-04-14	Stokes, Harold Victor (SGT)	2223471	RAFVR	138	RF143		Berlin	7.L.22-25

“Missing in Action” – MIA

Date	Name	Service No	RAF	Sqn.	A/C Serial	Location	Graveyard	Grave
1944-09-13	Thomas, Gwilym Rhys (P/O)	174290	RAFVR	692	MM126	Near Nauen	Runnymede	Panel 212
1944-09-13	Rosbottom, John Herbert (P/O)	147507	RAFNR	692	MM126	Near Nauen	Runnymede	Panel 209
1944-09-16	Chisholm, John Harry Mackellar (S/LDR)	39652	RAF	157	TA396			Panel 200
1944-09-16	Wilde, Eric Lawless (F/LT)	121474	RAFVR	157	TA396			Panel 204
1944-10-15	Naiff, Ronald Arthur	134212	RAFVR	692	MM184			Panel 208
1944-11-27	Fisher, Jack Glen Millan	J/88232	RCAF	192	DK292			Panel 246
1944-11-27	Vinnell, Henry Victor Alexander	123505	RAFVR	192	DK292			Panel 203
1945-02-05	Legge, Kenneth Charles Seymour	144177	RAFVR	571	MM115			Panel 267
1945-02-05	Davis, Basil Owen (F/O)	162484	RAFVR	571	MM115			Panel 266
1945-02-23	Doherty, Robert Aubrey Alexander (F/LT)	102594	RAFVR	608	KB350			Panel 265



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1945-02-23	Moore, Leonhard (F/O)	164872	RAFVR	608	KB350			Panel 267
1945-03-23	Searles, Stanley Oliver (F/LT)	115349	RAFVR	139	KB390			Panel 266
1945-03-24	Treby, Thomas (F/LT)	60800	RAFVR	139	KB367			Panel 266
1945-03-28	Day, John Alfred (F/SGT)	431092	RAAF		DZ599			Panel 284
1945-03-27	Van Amsterdam, Andreas Antonius Johannes (F/LT)	190755	RAFVR	139	MM131			Panel 266
1945-03-27	Vale, Eric Stanley (F/LT)	101470	RAFVR	692	PF466			Panel 266
1945-03-27	Manning, Frederic John (F/O)	J/44304	RCAF	692	PF466			Panel 279
1945-03-31	Campey, Walter (F/SGT)	1147947	RAFVR	692	RV341			Panel 270
1945-03-31	Rabiner, Joseph (F/SGT)	R/211384	RCAF	692	RV341			Panel 282
1945-04-03	Nicholls, Geoffrey Amos (F/LT)	115343	139	139	KB185			Panel 265
1945-04-03	Dawes, Jack Evelyn (F/LT)	148397	RAFVR	139	KB185			Panel 265
1945-04-05	Pudsey, Kenneth (F/LT)	143665	RAFVR	142	KB481			Panel 265
1945-04-05	Morgan, John Reginald Dalton (F/O)	148475	RAFVR	142	KB481			Panel 267
1945-04-05	Clarke, Alfred Bruce (W/O)	411565	RNZAF	571	RV305			Panel 285

“Prisoner of War” – POW

Date	Name	Service No	RAF	Sqn.	A/C Serial	Location	Comment
1944-10-06	McCallum, G. W.				MM113	Berlin	
1944-10-06	Claydon, L. W.				MM113	Berlin	
1944-10-31	Arietta, C. M.			128	KB199		
1944-11-27	Williamson, Maurice			109	ML979		
1944-11-30	Lampkin, E. A.			141	PZ234		
1945-03-28	Barnett, William Albert (F/O)				DZ599		
1945-03-27	Forbes, Harry A. (S/LDR)				MM131		
1945-04-14	Neve, J. W. (F/O)				RF143		

“Unknown Soldiers” – From Grave Concentration Report Form

Date	Name	RAF	Sqn.	Mosquito Type	A/C Serial	Location	Graveyard	Grave
1944-09-12	Unknown						Berlin	V.H.14



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