



Saskatchewan Virtual War Memorial

In memory of
**Flight Sergeant
William Henry Cook**
who died on 3 Feb 1945

Service details

<i>Conflict</i>	WWII
<i>Service</i>	RCAF
<i>Unit</i>	No. 550 Squadron, Royal Air Force
<i>Rank</i>	Flight Sergeant
<i>Service number</i>	K270515
<i>Date of death</i>	19450203
<i>Cause of death</i>	killed in action

Narrative history

K270515 Flight Sergeant (No. 550 Squadron RAF air gunner) William Henry Cook (b.1924) of Moose Jaw was KIA 19450203 and is buried at Westerbeek Roman Catholic cemetery, Oploo, Noord-Brabant, Netherlands. Cook's Lancaster was shot down during a raid on Bottrop. He was the son of Ernest George, a civil servant, and Mary Louise (Davidson) Cook. William was born at Moose Jaw, educated at Ross school and Central collegiate and was working as a porter for CP Express when he enlisted at Regina in 1943.

Memorial information

<i>Saskatchewan rural municipality for commemoration</i>	161 - Moose Jaw
<i>Grave or memorial location</i>	Westerbeek Roman Catholic cemetery, Oploo, Noord-Brabant, Netherlands (Link to Commonwealth War Graves Commission web page: http://www.cwgc.org/find-a-cemetery/cemetery/2082133/OPLOO%20%28WESTERBEEK%29%20ROMAN%20CATHOLIC%20CEMETERY)
<i>Honour roll location(s)</i>	Moose Jaw
<i>Geo-memorial</i>	Cook Island
<i>Geo-memorial location</i>	55.6166666666667,-106.466666666667
<i>Geo-memorial NTS map reference</i>	7309

Personal information

<i>Date of birth</i>	19240928
<i>Place of birth</i>	Moose Jaw
<i>Enlisted on</i>	19430804
<i>Place of enlistment</i>	Regina
<i>Residence on enlistment</i>	Moose Jaw
<i>Occupation</i>	porter

Links to external web pages

[Memorial - Moose Jaw](#)
<http://www.cmp-cpm.forces.gc.ca/dhh-dhp/nic-inm/sm-rm/mdsr-rdr-eng.asp?PID=1175>



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Flt.-Sgt. W. Cook Reported Missing

Word has been received by Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Cook, 1037 Clifton Avenue, that their youngest son, Flt.-Sgt. William Cook, serving with the Royal Canadian Air Force, has been listed as missing overseas following air operations.

The missing airman is very well known in this city. Joining the R.C.A.F. in the summer of 1943, Flt.-Sgt. Cook went overseas in March, 1944. He is 19 years of age.

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Flt.-Sgt. W. Cook Reported Killed

Flt.-Sgt. William Cook, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Cook, 1037 Clifton Avenue, who was previously reported as missing following air operations overseas, was killed in action over Germany, according to official word received by his parents.

Nineteen years of age, Flt.-Sgt. Cook was a member of Moose Jaw Squadron No. 40, Air Cadets, and enlisted in the R.C.A.F. on reaching the enlistment age. He was the first casualty of No. 40 Squadron.

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