



# Saskatchewan Virtual War Memorial

In memory of  
Warrant Officer class 1  
Ira Irvin Kliman  
who died on 7 May 1943

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## Service details

<i>Conflict</i>	WWII
<i>Service</i>	RCAF
<i>Unit</i>	No. 70 Squadron, Royal Air Force
<i>Rank</i>	Warrant Officer class 1
<i>Service number</i>	R85471
<i>Date of death</i>	19430507
<i>Cause of death</i>	killed in action

## Narrative history

R85471 Warrant Officer 1 (No. 70 Squadron RAF pilot) (Ira) Irvin Kliman (b.1919) of Regina was KIA 19430507 and is buried at Tripoli war cemetery, Babgagaresh, Libya. Kliman's Wellington crashed and burned near Gardabia. The son of David Bertram Kliman KC, a lawyer, and Bertha Adele (Dubinsky), Irvin was a graduate of Connaught school, Central collegiate and was a student at the University of Manitoba law school when he enlisted in the Regina Rifles in 1940, transferring to the RCAF early the next year. Interestingly, Irvin contracted malaria while serving in Libya. During his recuperation at Cairo, he was able to visit Palestine on several occasions and establish personal contact with his Jewish heritage.

## Memorial information

<i>Saskatchewan rural municipality for commemoration</i>	159 - Sherwood
<i>Grave or memorial location</i>	Tripoli war cemetery, Babgagaresh, Libya (Link to Commonwealth War Graves Commission web page: <a href="http://www.cwgc.org/find-a-cemetery/cemetery/2014700/TRIPO LI%20WAR%20CEMETERY">http://www.cwgc.org/find-a-cemetery/cemetery/2014700/TRIPO LI%20WAR%20CEMETERY</a> )
<i>Honour roll location(s)</i>	Regina
<i>Geo-memorial</i>	Kliman Lake
<i>Geo-memorial location</i>	55.7666666666667,-104.383333333333
<i>Geo-memorial NTS map reference</i>	73P16

## Personal information

<i>Date of birth</i>	19191229
<i>Place of birth</i>	Regina
<i>Enlisted on</i>	19400903
<i>Place of enlistment</i>	Regina
<i>Residence on enlistment</i>	Regina
<i>Occupation</i>	student

## PDF documents on the Saskatchewan Virtual War Memorial web site

### [Attestation](#)

[https://svwm.ca/images/wc\\_ww2/k\\_m/Kliman II R85471 - 3.pdf](https://svwm.ca/images/wc_ww2/k_m/Kliman II R85471 - 3.pdf)

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### Links to external web pages

[Memorial - Central](#)

<http://www.cmp-cpm.forces.gc.ca/dhh-dhp/nic-inm/sm-rm/mdsr-rdr-eng.asp?PID=3292>

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