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ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE

File Number
166/26/436

UNIT OR BRANCH
D.P.S. CASUALTY SECTION

Date of Opening
1/5/44

SUBJECT

References to other papers

424124 F/Sgt McLEAN. G.W.

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CASUALTY - REPATRIATION

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AUTHORITY TO CLOSE OR P.A.

Closed or P.A. _____ Date _____

Due for Board under A.F.O. 18/A/28 _____ Date _____

Signature of a responsible Officer.

McLEAN. G.W.
166-26-436

MINUTE SHEET

Reference 166/26/436

Leaflet forwarded to N/K on 15/44

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3.5.44 REPORTED ON DAILY CASUALTY REPORT No. 124
(Missing air ops)
3.

M.L. (SGT) 6/4/44 (M.B.K.)
4.

9.7.44 REPORTED ON DAILY CASUALTY REPORT No. 190
(Miss. hel. killed)
5.

A.L. (SGT) 9/12/44 (D.P.)
6.

2.12.44 REPORTED ON DAILY CASUALTY REPORT No. 337
Pres dead

Two death certificates No. 5576 issued to Mrs. L.P. McLean Dulwich Hill NSW Dated 9th Dec and despatched on 12/12/44 M. Sawyer G.L.

Two death certificates No. 5576 issued to Solicitors Sydney dated 9th Dec and despatched on 12/12/44 M. Sawyer G.L.

6 AUG 1945

Personal effects ref. to encl 23A.B. sent to Dynon Rd. for del. by Goods Rl. to O/C R.K.S. SYDNEY for onward del. to MRS. D.M. McLEAN D.D. 1614 P/N D883232 6 AUG 1945

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6 AUG 1945
R.A.A.F. CENTRAL REPOSITORY KIT STORE

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166/26/436 (32A)

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NOV 10 1948

Dear Madam,

Enclosed herewith is a photograph of the grave of your late husband, Flight Sergeant Gordon William McLean, who was laid to rest in the They-Sous-Montfort Communal Cemetery, France.

Yours faithfully,

(M. C. Langslow)
SECRETARY

Encl.

Mrs. O.M. McLean,
C/o Mrs. D. Benson,
8 Lavona Flats,
Flood Street,
BONDI. N.S.W.

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NOV 10 1948

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Casualty Section,
Albert Park Barrack

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RAAF 166/26/436(31A)

NOV 12 1947

Dear Madam,

I refer to previous communications concerning your late son, Flight Sergeant Gordon William McLean, and now advise that a report has been received from the Missing, Research and Enquiry Unit operating in France.

The report, which is based on investigations made at the scene of the crash, inspection of French records and the interrogation of local authorities states that your son's aircraft crashed on the outskirts of the village of They-Sous-Montfort at 5 a.m. on the 28th April, 1944.

They-Sous-Montfort is situated approximately nineteen miles west of Epinal and is 2½ miles north east of Vittel, which was the place named in a previous communication to you from this Department.

The report adds that the bodies of your son and the five other deceased members of the crew were recovered and interred in separate graves in the They-Sous-Montfort Communal Cemetery.

Individual identification of your son was established and his remains are interred in Grave No. 4, which is adjacent to the graves of the other deceased crew members.

The graves are well tended and are surmounted by a large cross and tricolor erected by the local residents.

A temporary cross has been erected over your son's grave and at a later date it will be replaced by a permanent headstone to be erected by the Imperial War Graves Commission, which will then care for and maintain the grave in perpetuity.

Permit me to assure you once again of the sincere sympathy of this Department in the great loss which you have suffered.

Yours faithfully,

(M.C. Langslow)
SECRETARY.

Mrs. L. McLean,
170 Wardell Road,
Dulwich Hill,
SYDNEY. N.S.W.

Subtotal
29/10/47

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Casualty Section,
Albert Park Barrack

NOV 3 12 1947

RAAF 166/26/436(30A)

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(M.C. Langslow)
SECRETARY.

Mrs. O.M. McLean,
C/o Mrs. D. Benson,
8 Lavona Flats,
Flood Street,
BONDI. N.S.W.

SMH
29/10/47

166/26/436
COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

pp Cas. 2/9/47



Telephone
H.C. 9211

Telegraphic
"AUSTRAIR, WESTCENT, LONDON."

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE,
OVERSEAS HEADQUARTERS,
KODAK HOUSE,

63, KINGSWAY,
LONDON, W.C.2.

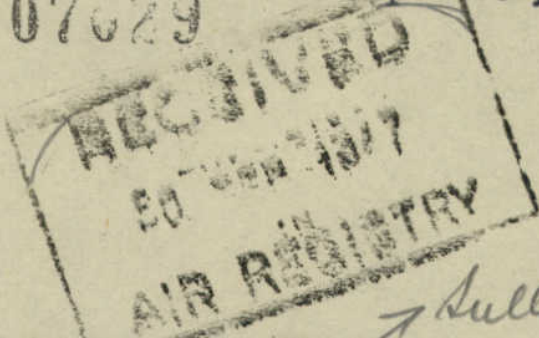
ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
"THE AIR OFFICER COMMANDING."

IN REPLY PLEASE REFER TO FILE NO. 1401/6737/P.4. (27A).

AIRMAIL

18th September, 1947.

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The Secretary,
Air Board,
Victoria Barracks,
St. Kilda Road,
MELBOURNE,
Victoria, Australia.

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Aus/424124 Flight Sergeant McLEAN, G.W.
DECEASED

Further to this Headquarters' letter 06394 of
the 18th August, 1947, final burial details are as
follows:

Sgt. EVANS (RAF)	-	Grave 1
F.O. BASHI (RAF)	-	" 2
Sgt. JAKEMAN (RAF)	-	" 3
Flt.Sgt. McLEAN (RAF)	-	" 4
Flt.Sgt. KEEPING (RAF)	-	" 5
P.O. BELL (RAF)	-	" 6

THEY SOUS MONTFORT Communal
Cemetery

VOSGES Area map reference A.17/Z.76

Cas. 1/10/47

Action taken on box
28/10/47

M. D. D. Delaney

(M. D. D. DELANEY),
Flight Lieutenant,
for Air Commodore,
Air Officer Commanding.

AIR MAIL.

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

File 28A

Telephone :

HOLBORN 9211

Telegraphic :

" AUSTRAIR WESTCENT. LONDON."

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
"THE AIR OFFICER COMMANDING."

1401/6737/P.4 (25A)

IN REPLY PLEASE REFER TO FILE NO.....

166/26/436
ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE,

OVERSEAS HEADQUARTERS,

KODAK HOUSE,

06394⁶³, KINGSWAY,

LONDON. W.C.2.

18th August 1947

The Secretary,
Air Board,
Victoria Barracks,
St. Kilda Road,
Melbourne,
Victoria, AUSTRALIA.

RECEIVED
29 AUG 1947
AIR REGISTRY

Aus.424124 Flight Sergeant McLEAN G.W.
Deceased

Forwarded herewith is copy of a report received from No.4 Missing Research and Enquiry Unit concerning the crew of which the above named was a member. Final burial details will be forwarded to you when accepted by Air Ministry.

M. D. Delaney

(M. D. DELANEY)
Flight Lieutenant,
for Air Commodore,
Air Officer Commanding

Encl.

*P1/6as
2/9/47*

REPORT

From: No. 1 Missing Research and Enquiry Unit, R.A.F., British Forces in France.

To: Air Ministry (S.14 Cas.), 2 Seville Street, Knightsbridge, London, S.W.1.

Date: 16.4.47.

Our reference: OPS.8/XF/1993/AIR

Name of search officer and number of section: F/Lt. E.J. DAWES

Aircraft type and serial number: Probably Lanc. 111 B.D. 192 of 100 Sqdn. No.2 Sect

Date of crash: 28.4.44.

Place of crash: THEY-SOUS-MONTFORT

Map ref: A-17/Z.76

Place of burial: THEY-SOUS-MONTFORT
Comm. Cemetery.

Map ref: A-17/Z.76

Crew: See below - thought to be 172301 - P/O. BELL and crew.

Result of investigation and findings:

- 1) In the course of a sweep of the VOSGES, I visited the Gendarmerie of VITTEL, who gave me the following information re the crash of an English 4/e bomber on the territory of the brigades circumscription:-
- 2) On the night of the 27th - 28th April 1944, a heavy bomber crashed at 0500 hrs. on the outskirts of the village of THEY-SOUS-MONTFORT. Six airmen were killed on the spot and a seventh was taken POW by the Germans, I was referred to the Maire of the village for further information.
- 3) The Mairie records gave the following details:

Grave 1.	1026577 O/D	EVANS
Grave 2.	F.10.o.179	BASHY
	3. 15056591 Sgt. G.E.	JAKEMAN
	4. FIS MG. 180	LEAN
	5. B3.659155 Sgt.	KEEPING 183
	6. PIO. 178.	BELL

It would appear that the letters preceding the number of "BASHY LEAN" and BELL are corruptions of ranks and should possibly read F/O, F/S and P/O respectively.

- 4) A cemetery list for t e Vosges, I have procured from the French Service des Sepultures Militaires at S. DIE gives much the same information with minor alterations viz:

- | | |
|---|------------------|
| 1. EVANS 1026577 - O.D. | (K/A 28/4/44.) |
| 2. BASHI, F/O. 179.... | |
| 3. JAKEMAN Sgt. 1505659. C.E. RAF. Bld.Grp.40 | |
| 4. McLEAN. F/Sgt. 180.. | |
| 5. KEEPING - B3659155. 183. | |
| 6. BELL P/O 178.. | |

- 5) The bodies were placed in individual coffins and were buried in the communal cemetery on the 1.5.44. after a service which was as demonstrative as the Germans would tolerate. The grave is well kept and is surmounted by a large cross and a tricolor, and official crosses erected by 57 G.C.U. bear appropriate names and numbers as obtained from the French Graves Service.

Photostat copies of Bomber Command records contain the following entry which would appear to refer to this casualty.

28.4.44. LANCASTER III 192 of 100 Squadron. Pilot 172301 P/O BELL.

- 7) On receipt of correct crew list from S.7 Cas. a final 3372 will be raised by this section.

(Sgd.) E.J. DAWES F/Lt.
R.N.Z.A.F.

(Sgd.) L.J. SHAW
Wing Commander, Commanding,
No. 1 Missing Research &
Enquiry Unit,
ROYAL AIR FORCE.

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166/26/436(27A)

Central Repository Kit Store,
Cnr. Howard and Rosslyn Streets,
MELBOURNE.

18 SEP 1945.

Dear Sirs,

With reference to the Service affairs of the late Flight Sergeant Gordon William McLean, and to your letter dated 5th September, 1945, addressed to the Area Finance Officer, Department of Air, 422 Collins Street, Melbourne, concerning his personal effects.

I desire to inform you that the above-mentioned deceased member's personal effects were forwarded to his widow, Mrs. Olive Marjorie McLean, 170 Wardell Road, Dulwich Hill, Sydney, on 6th August, 1945.

Attached hereto is duplicate copy of the inventory forwarded to Mrs. McLean.

Yours faithfully,


.....F/Lt.,
Officer-in-Charge,
CENTRAL REPOSITORY

Messrs. Dudley Westgarth & Co.,
Bank of New South Wales Building,
369 George Street,
SYDNEY. N.S.W.

Encl.

ENC 26A

DUDLEY WESTGARTH & CO.
SOLICITORS,

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14/9

BANK OF NEW SOUTH WALES
BUILDING.
369 GEORGE STREET,
(cr King St)
SYDNEY.

Orig. on P/A. File
A.F.O. MELBOURNE
13-9-45-28

5th September, 1945.

The Area Finance Officer,
Department of Air,
Temple Court,
422 Collins Street,
MELBOURNE, C.I.

Dear Sir,

Re No. 424124. Flight Sergeant McLean, G.W. Dec'd.

We acknowledge receipt of your letter
undated forwarding a fresh cheque for £64.11.3, which we have
handed to Mrs. McLean.

She has asked us to ascertain from you
whether the deceased's personal effects have yet been forwarded
on to Sydney. She has not received any advice and if they
have already been forwarded, would you be good enough to advise
us of the date thereof and also furnish us with a list of the
articles sent.

D. P. S. (Cas.)
For Your Attention

Yours faithfully,

DUDLEY WESTGARTH & CO.,

A.K. Smith.

.....

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424124, P/SGT McLEAN G. W., - Presumed Dead

G. I/c RECORDS :

It is requested that the change of address of next of kin of the above named deceased member be noted in all records : -

Olive Marjorie McLEAN, (Widow)
c/- Mrs. D. Benson,
8 Lavona Flats,
Flood Street,
BOHDI, N.S.W.

Blaney

for Wing Commander,
D.P.S. P.6.

4.9.45

(BJE)

VPB.

M I N U T E .

Level 24A

SUBJECT: H24124. F/SGT. MCKEAN. G.W.

D.P.S. Casualty Section.

The undermentioned change of address has been advised -

Mrs G. M. McLean (Widow)
C/o Mrs H. Benson
8 Lavonia Flats.
Hood St Bondi.

Authority:

Letter received.

..... G. Taylor.
Deceased Personnel Section
for Area Finance Officer, Melbourne.

..... 26.7.45. Date.

Encl 23a

XXXXXXXXXXXX P.2261.

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RAAF. 166/26/436(23A)

Central Repository Kit Store,
Cnr. Howard & Roselyn Streets,
WEST MELBOURNE, VICTORIA.

6 - AUG 1945

Dear Madam,

With reference to the Service affairs of your late husband, Flight Sergeant Gordon William McLean, I desire to inform you that his personal effects as shown on the attached inventory have been received by Royal Australian Air Force Central Repository, West Melbourne, from the United Kingdom, and are being forwarded to you under separate cover.

I shall be glad if you will kindly acknowledge receipt of the effects referred to by signing the form of receipt endorsed on the duplicate copy of the inventory and returning same to this Headquarters in due course.

Yours faithfully,

[Signature]
.....F/LT.,
Officer-in-Charge,
GENERAL REPOSITORY.

Encl.

Mrs. O.M. McLean,
170, Wardell Road,
DULWICH HILL, N.S.W.

Incl 23B

PERSONAL EFFECTS OF THE LATE AUS. 424124 P/Sgt. McLEAN G.W.

1 carton containing	1 nail brush
1 sheepskin waistcoat	1 clothes brush
4 blue shirts	1 black braces strap
5 prs pyjamas	1 canvas bag
1 pr black shoes	1 pr swim trunks
1 pr dancing pump shoes	1 pr slippers
2 pkts. souvenir stamps	2 housewives
1 A.G. badge	1 coat hanger
1 leather satchel	1 trouser hanger
1 gold Swiss wrist watch on leather strap	1 face flannel
1 R.S.L. wallet	1 steel mirror
1 pr braces	1 leather wallet with 2 portraits
1 fountain pen (damaged)	1 pkt. envelopes
1 pr scissors	5 airgraph letters
2 studs	3 snapshots
1 pr metal cuff links	1 sketch
2 identity discs	1 letter to wife (58 pages in writing pad)
1 lucky charm	5 group photos in folders
1 writing pad	1 negative
1 black leather wallet	8 photos
6 singlets	
3 prs drawers	
1 flannel shirt	
2 towels	
5 blue collars	
28 handkerchiefs	
6 socks	
4 scarves	
2 wool pullovers	
1 pr wool gloves	

DEPOSIT RECEIPT

GR

Surname ~~Mc~~ **MCLEAN**
(IN BLOCK)

Christian Names **G.W.**

Rank **F/SGT** Unit

Number **424124**

RECEIPT FOR 1 (ONE)

- (a) Universal Kit Bag
- (b) Sea Kit Bag
- (c) Steel Trunk
- (d) Fibre or Leather Trunk
- (e) Suitcase
- (f) Case or Package

Strike out words not required

J. Barton

No 57384

R.A.A.F. Kit Store No. **Central**

Issued by **ans** Date **20-7-45**

(To be handed to depositor)

DEPOSIT RECEIPT

Surname MCLEAN
(IN BLOCK)

Christian Names GW

Rank F/S Unit _____

Number 424124

RECEIPT FOR 1 (ONE)

- (a) Universal Kit Bag
- (b) Sea Kit Bag
- (c) Steel Trunk
- (d) Fibre or Leather Trunk
- (e) Suitcase
- (f) Case or Package

Strike out words not required

envelope

No 55682

R.A.A.F. Kit Store No. 100000

Issued by ones Date 30/1/45

(To be handed to depositor)

Security mail

Personal effects of A24124 F/S MCLEAN G.W.

5 front photos in folders

1 negative

8x photos

Donald

20/4/45

J. Robertson

PERSONAL EFFECTS OF AUST/H24124 F/SGT. M^CLEAN. G.W.

- 1 Barton containing -
- 1 Sheep Skin Waistcoat
- 3 Blue shirts
- 5^{lbs} Pyjamas
- 1^{pr} Shoes Black
- 1^{pr} Dancing Pump Shoes
- 2^{pkts} Souvenir Stamps
- 1 HQ Badge.
- 1 Leather Satchel.
- 1 Gold Swiss Wrist Watch On Leather Strap
- 1 RSL Wallet
- 1^{pr} Braces
- 1 Mountain Pen (Damaged)
- 1^{pr} Scissors
- 2 Studs
- 1^{pr} Metal Cuff Links
- 2 Identity Disc
- 1 Lucky Charm.
- 2 Writing Pads.
- 1 Black Leather Wallet
- 6 Singlets
- 3^{pkts} Drawers
- 1 Kannel shirt
- 2 Towel
- 5 Blue collars
- 28 Handkerchiefs
- 6 Socks
- 4 Scarves
- 2 Wool Pullovers
- 1^{pr} Wool gloves
- 1 Nail Brush
- 1 Clothes Brush.
- 1 Black Braces Strap
- 1 Canvas Bag
- 1^{pr} Swim Trunks
- 1^{pr} Slippers
- 2 House Wifes
- 1 Coathanger
- 1 Trousing Hanger
- 1 Face Kannel
- 1 Steel Mirror
- 1 Leather Wallet with 2 Portraits
- 1 Pkt of envelopes
- 5 Aigraph Letters
- 3 Snapshots
- 1 Sketch.

Mason, Oph
A Bennett
 20/7/45.

HMED.

DEPARTMENT OF AIR.

MINUTE PAPER

Encl 22 a

Serial No. *2887*

SUBJECT: - *424124 P/sgt. McLEAN Gordon William*

D.P.3. (Casualty Section)

In accordance with A.B.O. A.65/43, para.18, it is advised that the person properly entitled to the property of the abovenamed deceased member is:-

Name	Capacity	Relationship	Address
<i>McLEAN Miss Margerie</i>	<i>Executive Beneficiary</i>	<i>brother</i>	<i>170 Wandell Road Dulwich Hill N.S.W. Sydney.</i>

2. It is requested that you advise the appropriate Kit Repository Store accordingly.

Noted in O. of A. Section

9/2/1945.

[Signature]

Area Finance Officer.
(Deceased Personnel Section).

4978.

PERSONAL EFFECTS OF AUS. 424121. P/SCT. McLEAN. C. W.

Encl 2/2

1 Carton contg:-

- | | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------|
| - 1 sheepskin waistcoat. | - 7 vests. |
| - 3 shirts. | - 3 prs. underpants. |
| - 4 prs. pyjamas. | - 1 towel. |
| - 2 prs. shoes. | - 5 collars. |
| - 2 pkts. foreign stamps. | - 23 handkerchiefs. |
| - 1 brevet. | - 3 prs. socks. |
| - 1 blue leather pyjama case. | - 4 scarves. |
| - 1 wrist watch. | - 2 pullovers. |
| - 1 blue leather wallet contg:- | - 1 pr. woollen gloves. |
| correspondence. | - 2 cleaning brushes. |
| - 1 pr. braces. | - 1 black braces strap. |
| - 1 fountain pen. | - 1 canvas bag. |
| - 1 pr. scissors. | - 1 pr. swimming trunks. |
| - 2 studs. | - 1 pr. slippers. |
| - 1 pr. cuff links. | - 2 housewives. |
| - 1 Identity disc. | - 2 coat-hangers. |
| - 2 writing pads 1 contg:- | - 1 face flannel. |
| correspondence. | - 1 steel mirror. |
| - 1 black leather wallet. | - 1 pr. pyjamas. |
| | - 1 shirt. |
| | - 1 towel. |
| | - 1 leather wallet with |
| | 2 portraits. |

Next-of-kin: Wife. Mrs. O.M. McLean,
170 Wardell Road, Dulwich Hill,
Sydney.

ACKNOWLEDGE THE EFFECTS AS LISTED

SIGNATURE

D. Bennett

DATE

20/7/45



EGH/LDS

Exc. 20A
W.D. [unclear]
Dr. 3/3

THE AUSTRALASIAN TEMPERANCE & GENERAL MUTUAL LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY LIMITED

INCORPORATED IN VICTORIA, 1876

PARK AND ELIZABETH STREETS
SYDNEY, N.S.W.

TELEPHONE—M 4741

IN YOUR REPLY PLEASE
QUOTE POLICY NUMBER

The Officer in Charge of Casualty Section,
Air Force Headquarters,
Victoria Barracks,
MELBOURNE, S.C.I.

No action -
see 19th Dr.

P.O. BOX 3936, V
28th. February 1945.

Dear Sir :

No. 424124 Flight Sergeant Gordon William McLean, decd.

With reference to our letter of the 15th. February we shall be pleased if you will let us have the information requested therein as soon as possible, as we are anxious to give consideration to a claim under a Policy on the deceased's life.

Yours faithfully,

[Handwritten Signature]
Acting Manager for N.S.W.

[Handwritten Initials]

Eve. 1944



THE AUSTRALASIAN TEMPERANCE & GENERAL MUTUAL
LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY LIMITED

INCORPORATED IN VICTORIA, 1876

Adm 19/2

PARK AND ELIZABETH STREETS
SYDNEY, N.S.W.

P.O. Box 3936 V
15th. February 1945.

TELEPHONE—M 4741

EGH/LDS

IN YOUR REPLY PLEASE
QUOTE POLICY NUMBER

The Officer in Charge of Casualty Section,
Air Force Headquarters,
Victoria Barracks,
MELBOURNE. S.C.L.

Dear Sir :

No. 424124—Flight Sergeant Gordon William McLean, decd.

We have received your Certificate of Death on War Service of the abovesamed No. 5576 showing that he became missing on the 28th. April 1944 and is for official purposes presumed to be dead.

As the Certificate has been produced as evidence of death of the assured under our Policy No. 265879 we shall be pleased if you will let us have the following information from your records on the attached duplicate of this letter, so that the claim may receive our consideration.

According to our records the assured was born on the 19th. August 1914 and formerly resided at Dulwich Hill, N.S.W.

Date of Birth	19/8/1914
Date of Enlistment	15/8/1942
Place of Enlistment	No. 2 R.C. Woolloomooloo, N.S.W.
Address, at time of Enlistment	148 Bridge St., West Tamworth. N.S.W.
Occupation at time of Enlistment.	Library Proprietor.

Yours faithfully,

Rec'd from Oyer
on 2/3 Adm
J. J. Tamworth
Acting Manager *for* N.S.W.

Adm

Encl. 18A

DEPARTMENT OF AIR

MINUTE PAPER

SUBJECT: APPLICATION FOR PERSONAL PARTICULARS RELATING TO
424124, Flight Sergeant Gordon William McLEAN.

To: ~~Ex Post~~ (Postory)

or

O.i/c. Records (O.i/c. A)

The attached application from the Aust. T. & G. Mutual Life
Assurance ~~SYDNEY~~..... is referred for your completion in duplicate.
It is requested that after completion the original be forwarded
to the applicant and that the duplicate be returned to D.P.S.
Casualty Section.

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for Wing Commander,
O.i/c. CASUALTY SECTION. P. 6 (Cas

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Encl 17A

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

Telephone
HOLBORN 9211
Telegraphic Address
AUSTRALIA, WESTCENT, LONDON.
ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
THE AIR OFFICER COMMANDING
IN REPLY, PLEASE REFER TO FILE NO.

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE.
OVERSEAS HEADQUARTERS.
KODAK HOUSE.

63, KINGSWAY,
LONDON, W.C. 2

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By RECORDED

17th November, 1944.

The Secretary,
Department of Air,
Victoria Barracks,
Melbourne.

Aus. 2212. Flight Sergeant McLean, G.W.

In confirmation of this Headquarters' signal AL.143 CAS.595 of the 16th November 1944, you are advised that according to a statement made by RAF.1397971 Sergeant Thom, N., who has been classified as safe the aircraft was hit by flak at 0330 hours at fifteen thousand feet, six miles north west of Vittel, France, whilst returning from an Operational Flight against Friedrichshafen on the 28th April 1944. The aircraft caught fire, blew up in the air and was completely destroyed. The remainder of the crew were all killed and identified by Sergeant Thom before burial at the site of the crash near Vittel.

2. In view of the above evidence the death of Flight Sergeant McLean has now been presumed, for official purposes, with effect from the 28th April 1944.

J. F. Rodger
(J. F. RODGER),
Flight Lieutenant,
for Air Vice Marshal,
Air Officer Commanding.

18 DEC 1944

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P6 (A) D. Beck

End 16A

R.A.A.F.
Form No. P/P 116,
July, 1942.

APPLICATION FOR THE ISSUE OF A CERTIFICATE OF DEATH ON
WAR SERVICE.

File / /

Know
7/12 MD 7/12

Application is made for the issue of a Death Certificate of:

No. 424124
Rank Flg/Sergeant
Full Name Gordon William McLean
Number of Certificates required Two
Certificate/s required for the purpose of

6 5/12

Business

Name and Address of person or persons to whom Certificate/s to be issued
Lucina Priscilla McLean
170 Pardell Rd
Dulwich Hill Sydney

V. de M. 7.

Signature of applicant.

Address L. P. McLean
170 Pardell Rd
Dulwich Hill Sydney

Date 5/12/44.

Note: The above application is to be forwarded in an envelope addressed to The Secretary, Department of Air, Victoria Barracks, MELBOURNE, S.C.1.

P6 (A) D. Leach

R.A.A.F. *Serial 15 A*
Form No. P/P 116,
July, 1942.

APPLICATION FOR THE ISSUE OF A CERTIFICATE OF DEATH ON
WAR SERVICE.

File 1661 261 436 (13A)

Leach
7/12
MD 7/12

Application is made for the issue of a Death Certificate of:

No. 424124
Rank Flight Sergeant *6/12*
Full Name M. Leach Brown Wilshaw
Number of Certificates required two

Certificate/s required for the purpose of

Collection of insurance money

Name and Address of person or persons to whom Certificate/s to be issued

Messrs Dudley Wetzguths & Co

Solicitors

369 George Street Sydney

Code Mm 8.

Signature of applicant. *D. M. M. Leach*

Address 170 Wardell Road
Dulwich Hill

Date.....

Note: The above application is to be forwarded in an envelope addressed to The Secretary, Department of Air, Victoria Barracks, MELBOURNE, S.C.1.

J.M. 27.11.44.

NOV 30 1944

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Enclosure 14A

XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX MU.9981

Casualty Section,
391 Lit. Collins St.,

RAAF.166/26/436(14A)

Dear Madam,

It is with deep regret that I have to inform you that the death of your son, Flight Sergeant Gordon William McLean, has now been presumed, for official purposes, to have occurred on the 28th April, 1944.

The operation in respect of which your late son was reported missing took place on the night of 27th/28th April, 1944, and Air Ministry has presumed that the casualty occurred on the 28th April, 1944.

The Minister for Air and members of the Air Board desire me to extend to you their profound sympathy. It is hoped that the accompanying enclosures will contain information of assistance to you.

Yours faithfully,



(M.C. Langslow)
SECRETARY.

NOV 30 1944
Enc, 4.

Mrs. L. McLean,
170 Wardell Road,
DULWICH HILL. N.S.W.

Langslow
D.P.S: P.6 [N.I] 29/10

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NOV 30 1944

J.M. 27.11.44.

Enclosure 13A

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Casualty Section,
391 Lit. Collins St.

RAAF.166/26/436(13A)

Dear Madam,


It is with deep regret that I have to inform you that the death of your husband, Flight Sergeant Gordon William McLean, has now been presumed, for official purposes, to have occurred on the 28th April, 1944.

The operation in respect of which your late husband was reported missing took place on the night of 27th/28th April, 1944, and Air Ministry, London, has presumed that the casualty occurred on the 28th April, 1944.

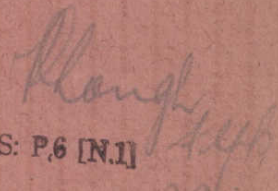
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NOV 30 1944
Enc 4.


(M.C. Langslow)
SECRETARY.

Mrs. O.M. McLean,
170 Wardell Road,
DULWICH HILL. N.S.W.


D.P.S: P.6 [N.I]
29/11

Encl 12A

TO RAASF HQRS
FROM RAARKWY

AL143 CAS 595 NOV 16 RESTRICTED

DEATHS PRESUMED. P/O K.G. FENNEY AUS 411690 21 APRIL.

AUS 418366 P/SGT EMERY SG 20 APRIL. AUS 417521 P/SGT SAWHILL

24 APRIL. A/P/LT J.R. DODDS AUS 403838 28 APRIL. AUS 424124

P/SGT McLEAN G.W. 28 APRIL. AUS 417520 P/SGT SAMPSON FR

27th APRIL. P/O LW BOWN AUS 406094 28 APRIL. ~~INEXCESSIVE~~

AUS 420928 W/O FARRAR AJ 28 APRIL. AUS 422 684 P/SGT PATTERSON

AR 28 APRIL. AUS 424127 P/SGT WATTS RO 27 APRIL. AUS 424503

P/SGT YOUNG GJH 25 APRIL. AUS 424479 P/SGT TUDHOPE RJ

25 APRIL. AUS 427220 P/SGT THOMPSON EM 28 APRIL. P/O JWK

CAMERON AUS 422423 21 APRIL.

JED.

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Encl 11A

170 Wardell Rd
Dulwich Hill
Sydney,
2nd August 1944

To

The Secretary.

Air Board. Casualty Sect.
Belbourn.

Dear Sir,

I received word on 6th July 1944 to the effect that my son, F/Sergeant Gordon William McLean, who was reported missing on the 27th to 28th April 1944, during air operations over Germany has now be reported having lost his life, & together with the crew was buried beside the crash in Vitell, France. The news has been conveyed to his home address, here, to his Wife, Clifflie Harjorie McLean, whose is living with me. As I have my son insured & have notified the company, & they asked me to write to the Air Board.

Vide Ann 7.

for a death certificate, so as they
can have the business attended to.
Thanking you in anticipation

I am

Yours faithfully
(Mrs) Lucretia H. Lean.

ENCL. 109.

SECRET

P.416515

100S/S.702/84/F.1.

100 Squadron,
R.A.F. Grimsby, Lincs.

6th May 1944.

Sir,

LANCASTER III AIRCRAFT NO. DV.192 MISSING NIGHT
OF 27/28th APRIL, 1944. TARGET: FRIEDRICHSHAFEN.

I have the honour to refer to signal Reference S.159 dated 26th April, 1944, sent from this Unit in connection with the above aircraft, and to render the following circumstantial report:-

2. The aircraft took off from Base at 2151 hours on the 27th April, 1944, but no further news was received from it.
3. The route recommended to and from the target was as follows:-
Base: 5050N 0017W - 4820N 0120E - 4735N 0400E - 4825N 0745E -
TARGET - 4712N 0925E - 4810N 0630E - 4800N 0300E - 4820N
0120E - 5050N 0017W.

4. 13 other aircraft were detailed for this trip and all returned safely to this country. Weather conditions were favourable for fighters but the main opposition from this form of defence was in the target area.

5. The members of the crew were as follows:-

CAPTAIN	172301	P/O	BELL, William John
P/ENGINEER	1026577	SGT	EVANS, William Leonard
NAVIGATOR	151158	P/O	BASHI, Edward
AIR BOMBER	659155	P/S	KESPING, Kenneth Stanley
WO/AIR	1397971	SGT	THOM, Norman Reginald Allen
AIR GUNNER	1505659	SGT	JAKEMAN, Lawrence
REAR GUNNER	A.424124	P/S	MCLEAN, Gordon William.

F605965

I have the honour to be, Sir,
Your obedient servant,

(Sgd) ?????? P/Lt.
for Wing Commander, Commanding,
100 Squadron, R.A.F. Grimsby.

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Under Secretary of State,
Air Ministry (P.4. Cas.,)
Copies to: H.Q. No. 1 Group, No. 12 Base, Binbrook.

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24 JUL 1944

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Casualty Section,
391 Lit. Collins St.,

RAAF.166/26/436(9A)

Dear Madam,

I deeply regret to inform you that your husband, Flight Sergeant Gordon William McLean, previously reported missing as a result of air operations on the 27th April, 1944, is now reported missing but believed to have lost his life.

The change of classification has been made by the Air Ministry, London, in consequence of a report received through the Foreign Office, from Sergeant Thom, the Royal Air Force member of your husband's crew who is now safe in neutral territory.

Sergeant Thom states that the aircraft was shot down and your husband, together with the remaining members of the crew, lost his life and was buried at the site of the crash near Vittel, France.

Permit me to extend to you again the sincere sympathy of this Department in the anxiety you have suffered. I trust that the further leaflet enclosed will be of assistance to you.

Yours faithfully,

M.C. Langslow
(M.C. Langslow)
SECRETARY.

Enc.

Mrs. G.W. McLean,
170 Wardell Road,
DULWICH HILL, N.S.W.

Mrs. G.W. McLean
D.P.S. CASUALTY SECTION

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CYPHER MESSAGE

This message must not be referred to in any but cypher messages.

Serial No. 6212143Z

TO

RAAF HQRS

T.O.O. 010950Z

Receipt Despatch

Time of 012143Z COR.

FROM

AIR MIN KINGSWAY

System W.T.

PCX232 AUSCAS 264 30 JUNE. MY AUSCAS 425 29 APRIL 44.

AMEND (D) TO READ AUS 424124 F/SGT MCLEAN GW MISSING BELIEVED KILLED IN ACTION.
REPORT RECEIVED THROUGH FOREIGN OFFICE FROM 1397971 SGT THOM (RAF) WHO IS SAFE
IN A NEUTRAL COUNTRY STATES REMAINDER OF CREW WERE KILLED WHEN AIRCRAFT
SHOT DOWN 28 APRIL 44 BURIED SITE OF CRASH NEAR VITTEL FRANCE. KINNOT.

IMMEDIATE.

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REPRODUCTION COPY

Handwritten: BY [Signature]

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CASUALTY SECTION

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LETTERGRAM .. MRS. G.W. MCLEAN
170 WARDELL ROAD
DULWICH HILL, SYDNEY, N.S.W.

INFORMATION RECEIVED THAT SERGEANT THOM WHO WAS A ROYAL AIR
FORCE MEMBER OF YOUR HUSBAND'S CREW IS NOW SAFE IN NEUTRAL
TERRITORY ~~XXXX~~ STOP REQUEST YOU TREAT THIS INFORMATION AS
CONFIDENTIAL AND NOT FOR PUBLICATION STOP REGRET NO NEWS OF
YOUR HUSBAND FLIGHT SERGEANT GORDON WILLIAM MCLEAN OR REMAINDER
OF CREW

5/6/44.

AIRFORCE 391 LITTLE COLLINS STREET MELBOURNE

BC

WVW

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Send 7/4

CYPHER MESSAGE

R.A.A.F. Form A.14(a)
(R.A.F. Form 683)
(Revised April, 1943)

This message must not be referred to in any but cypher messages.

Serial No. *201214Z*

TO

RAAF MELBOURNE

T.O.O.011214Z

Receipt

Despatch

Time of **012112Z**

FROM RAAF KWI

System **BY W/T**

AL2 CAS252 JUNE 21 RESTRICTED

AUS424124 F/SGT MCLEAN GW MISSING SGT THOM NOW REPORTED SAFE IN NEUTRAL TERRITORY. NO NEWS MCLEAN

ASUALTY INDEX

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NOTICE

Handwritten note: New Town 3/6 86 36

ROYAL AIR FORCE STATION,

GRIMSBY,

LINCS.

28th. April 1944.

Dear Mrs. McLean,

Referring to the notification which you will have received from the Air Ministry, it is with the deepest regret that I write to you confirming that up to the present, no news has been received of your Husband, Flight Sergeant Gordon William McLean, who did not return from an operational sortie on the night of 27/28th. April 1944.

I am afraid I have very little information, as nothing was heard from the aircraft after it took off from Base about 10 pm. to attack targets in Freidrickshafen. This is not unusual, as aircraft do not communicate with Base more than is absolutely necessary on trips of this nature as the enemy may intercept the messages. It is of course possible that the crew were forced to abandon their aircraft over enemy territory, and they may be safe, although prisoners of war.

I am enclosing a list of the addresses of the next of kin of all the members of the crew, as no doubt you will wish to communicate with them. When writing to addresses outside the country, please take care not to mention this Unit or Station, and the date of the casualty.

Gordon had only been with us a few weeks, but he had already proved himself to be a most capable and efficient Air Gunner, who had the complete confidence of his captain and crew. He had made many friends on the Squadron, and we all desire to express our deepest sympathy, and share with you the hope that he and his crew will soon be reported safe.

Yours sincerely,

R. V. L. Pattison
(R.V.L. Pattison)
Wing Commander.

Mrs. O.M. McLean,
170 Wardell Road,
Dulwich Hill,
Sydney,
AUSTRALIA.

*Original forwarded
31/5/44.*

us.



Encl'd

POST OFFICE

DULWICH HILL

2nd MAY 1944

AIR FORCE

RECEIVED FROM ~~ARMY~~ TELEGRAM/S LODGED MELBOURNE

ADDRESSED MRS G W MCLEAN
170 WARDELL RD
DULWICH HILL SYDNEY

See G.W.

RECEIVED AT 9 am

DELIVERED AT 9/15am

No.

per A. Robinson 3

MAY 1944

POSTMASTER

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T.I. 21.

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

INCOME TAX ASSESSMENT ACT, 1936-1942—YEAR 1942-1943.

Declaration by Taxpayer who Claims a Rebate of Tax Instalment Deductions in respect of Dependants.

THIS form must be completed by the employee before any rebate of the deductions to be made from his salary or wages may be allowed by his employer.

The rebate claimed may be allowed by the employer from deductions made on each pay day following the lodgment of the completed form.

The form must be furnished in duplicate and both original and duplicate handed to the employer. The original of the form will be retained by the employer and the duplicate must be signed by the employer and forwarded within 30 days to the Federal Deputy Commissioner of Taxation, Box 4197, G.P.O., Sydney.

Any rebate allowed by the employer must be discontinued on 31st July, 1943, unless a fresh form is completed by the employee.

Name of Employee..... Surname (BLOCK LETTERS).
(Christian names in full.)
Occupation.....
Residential Address of Employee.....
Name of Employer.....
Business Address of Employer.....

REBATES ALLOWABLE IN RESPECT OF DEPENDANTS.

Rebates from the amount of weekly deductions required to be made from salary and wages are allowable in respect of the following dependants if the dependants were wholly maintained by the taxpayer at the 1st July, 1942:—

- (a) A taxpayer's spouse if a resident of Australia and wholly maintained by the taxpayer. If a taxpayer is a widow or widower a rebate is allowable in respect of a resident female relative maintained and having care of the taxpayer's children under 16 years of age. (If the spouse or female relative has a separate net income exceeding £50, no rebate may be claimed.)
- (b) A taxpayer's mother if a resident of Australia and wholly maintained by the taxpayer.
- (c) Each child under 16 years of age on the 1st July, 1942, if a resident of Australia and wholly maintained by the taxpayer.

En 3A

POSTAL ACKNOWLEDGMENT DELIVERY
PERSONAL MRS. G. W. MCLEAN
170 WARDELL ROAD,
DULWICH HILL, SYDNEY.

424124 FLIGHT SERGEANT G. W. MCLEAN MISSING STOP REGRET TO INFORM YOU THAT
YOUR HUSBAND FLIGHT SERGEANT GORDON WILLIAM MCLEAN IS MISSING AS RESULT
OF AIR OPERATIONS ON 27TH APRIL 1944 STOP KNOWN DETAILS ARE HE WAS MEMBER
OF CREW OF LANCASTER AIRCRAFT DETAILED TO ATTACK TARGET AT FRIEDRICKSHAFEN
GERMANY WHICH FAILED TO RETURN TO ITS BASE PRESUMABLY DUE TO ENEMY ACTION
STOP THIS INFORMATION IS CONFIDENTIAL AND NOT FOR PUBLICATION STOP THE
MINISTER FOR AIR JOINS WITH AIR BOARD IN EXPRESSING SINCERE SYMPATHY IN
YOUR ANXIETY STOP WHEN ANY FURTHER INFORMATION IS RECEIVED IT WILL BE
CONVEYED TO YOU IMMEDIATELY

AIR FORCE
ANDERSON STREET
SOUTH YARRA

Anderson 96

1/5/44

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CASUALTY NOTIFICATION.

Encl 2A

FINANCE SERIAL NO.

4680 6735

NATURE OF CASUALTY. MISSING) AIR OPERATIONS

16/11/44 (now missing, believed killed, Encl 2a)

16/11/44 SIGNAL FROM AIR MINISTRY ADVISING DEATH PRESUMED w.e.f. *28/4/44*

PLACE OF CASUALTY UNKNOWN BY A.M. DATE OF CASUALTY. *28/4/44*

TARGET FRIEDERICHSHAFEN GERMANY

CASUALTY SIGNAL ADVISES NAME MRS D M McLEAN *see below*

NEXT OF KIN ADDRESS. *170 WARDLELL ROAD*

WIFE *DULWICH HILL SYDNEY*

CASUALTY SIGNAL ADVISES RANK AS

F/SGT

RECORD OF PARTICULARS OBTAINED FROM RECORDS IN REFERENCE TO THE UNDERMENTIONED MEMBER

NO. 424124 RANK F/SGT NAME McLEAN Gordon William

UNIT RAAF ATT RAF (UK) REGILION C OF ENG.

MUSTERING A/GUNNER ENLISTED 2 R.C. DATE ENLISTED 15/8/42

DATE OF BIRTH 19/18/14 DATE DMBARKED 25/5/43

NEXT OF KIN WIFE NAME OLIVE MARJORIE McLEAN

MARRIED YES ~~SINGLE~~ *170 WARDLELL ROAD*

DULWICH HILL N.S.W.

ALSO INFORM P.T.B.I.

*Mother (General HA)
MRS D M McLEAN
170 WARDLELL RD
DULWICH HILL SYDNEY*

*cf. Mrs D Benson (Dubn)
& Lavona Slab RAAF
Hood St, Bondi, NSW*

EXTRACT taken by J CARR (SGT)

FROM O I/C R (CPL RABY)

30 / 4 / 1944.

2 MAY 1944

RECORDED FOR STATISTICAL TABULATION
On P/P. 113 Serial No. 12178 Initials

RECORDED BY CASUALTY INDEX
BY *A.R. (CPL) 2/5/44*

for Wing Commander,
D.P.S. CASUALTY SECTION.

(CD33/44).

CASUALTY NOTIFICATION.

En 2B

FINANCE SERIAL NO.....

NATURE OF CASUALTY. MISSING - AIR OPERATIONS.....

.....

..... UNKNOWN BY A.M. TARGET

PLACE OF CASUALTY. WEIDERSHAFFEN GERMANY DATE OF CASUALTY 27-4-44.....

CASUALTY SIGNAL ADVISES NEXT OF KIN WIFE NAME MRS. D.M. McLEAN.....

..... ADDRESS. 170 Warbell Road.....

..... Arbush Hill Sydney......

CASUALTY SIGNAL ADVISES RANK AS F/Sgt......

.....

RECORD OF PARTICULARS OBTAINED FROM RECORDS IN REFERENCE TO THE UNDERMENTIONED MEMBER

NO. 424124 RANK. F/Sgt. NAME McLEAN Gordon William.....

UNIT. RAAF. ATT. RAAF (VIC) REGILION. C. of E......

MUSTERING. A/Quinn ENLISTED. 2 R.C. DATE ENLISTED. 15-8-42.....

DATE OF BIRTH. 19-5-14 DATE UMBARKED. 25-5-43.....

NEXT OF KIN. Wife NAME. Oliver Mary Jane McLean.....

MARRIED. SINGLE 107 ~~157~~ Warbell Road.....

..... 170 Arbush Hill NSW......

..... 9- Mrs. D. Ginn.....

ALSO INFORM P.T.B.I.

EXTRACT taken by Boan Sgt.

FROM Order (b.p. Party)

30/4/1944.

for Wing Commander,
D.P.S. CASUALTY SECTION.

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CYPHER MESSAGE

Sk. 7005

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R.A.A.F. Form A.14(a)
(R.A.F. Form 683)
(Revised April, 1943)

Serial No.

TO

Sgt. Wilburn

RAAF HQRS

CYPHER OFFICE
TOO 291036Z

Receipt

Despatch

Time of

291344Z

FROM

AIR MINISTRY KINGSWAY

System

BY WT

PCX 197 28 APRIL AUSCAS 425

FB (A) LANCASTER DV192 (B) 100 SQIN (C) PRESUMED TARGET FREIDRICKSHAFEN

DARK APRIL 27 (D) AUS 424124 F/SGT MCLEAN GW WIFE MRS OM MCLEAN 170

WARHELL ROAD DULWICH HILL SYDNEY AUSTRALIA (.) KINNOT (.) REMAINDER OF

CREW RAF 172301 P/O BELL 1026577 SGT EVANS 151158 F/O BASHI 699155 F/SGT

KEEPING 1397971 SGT THOM 1505659 SGT JAKEMAN (E) UNKNOWN ALL MISSING

(G) UNKNOWN PRESUMED ENEMY ACTION (.)

IMMEDIATE

CHECKED ON CASUALTY INDEX

BY.....*JH(SPT)*.....

Handwritten signature

JH - 20-4-44
D.P.S. CASUALTY SECTION

REFERENCE	166	26	436
BY WT			