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UNIT: D. P. S. CASUALTY SECTION

BRANCH OR SECTION

ORIGINATING FILE:

## SUBJECT

401137 SGT. MCGUIRE, M.

PREVIOUS MARKINGS INSIDE COVER.

## CASUALTY - REPATRIATION

1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4
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## MINUTE SHEET

Reference 163/141/288

1.  
2/8/41. Copy signal from No 1 SPTS advising of casualty. Encl. 1A.
2.  
4/8/41. Notification of casualty to O i/c Records. Encl. 2A.
3.  
18.6.42. Signal from 2 B.P.S.O. advising this airman missing. Encl. 3a.
4.  
19.6.42. Extract of Form F/P.25 Encl. 4a.
5.  
19.6.42. Signal to N/K advising. Encl. 5a.
6.  
19.6.42. Signal to 2 B.P.S.O. advising N/K being informed. Encl. 6a.
7.  
20.6.42. REPORTED ON DAILY CASUALTY REPORT No. 63 Page 1  
*Missing from operational flight*
8.  
20.6.42. NOTIFICATION TO F.M. SERIAL No. 1579  
*Missing from operational flight*
9.  
6.42 Letter to Mr. J. McGuire confirming information conveyed by Enc. 5A, and advising that further information would be forwarded immediately received. Encl. 9a.
10.  
23.6.42 Further signal to 2 B.P.S.O. Encl. 10a
11.  
24.6.42. Signal from 2 B.P.S.O. giving date of casualty and available details. Encl. 11a
- 12.
- 24.6.42. Letter from mother of this airman requesting further information information. Encl. 12a.
13.  
27.6.42. Signal to 2 B.P.S.O. requesting precis of confirmatory memorandum. Encl. 13a.
14.  
30.6.42 Signal from 2 B.P.S.O. to 13 Sqn. requesting they expedite reply re confirmatory memorandum. Encl. 14a.
15.  
3.7.42 Signal from 2 B.P.S.O. advising confirmatory memorandum despatched from unit. Encl. 15a.
16.  
4.7.42 Signal from 2 B.P.S.O. requesting advice if category changed to killed. Encl. 16a.
17.  
5.7.42 Signal from 2 B.P.S.O. giving precis of confirmatory memorandum. Encl. 17a.

18.  
24/6/42. Letter to Mrs. McQuire from 13 Sqn. Enc. 18a

19  
7/7/42. Signal from 13 Sqn advising death of this Airman officially reported. Enc. 19a

20.  
8/7/42. Signal to N Kin advising son now reported missing believed killed. Enc. 20a

21.  
9/7/42. REPORTED ON DAILY CASUALTY REPORT No 72, Page 1.  
22 (Missing believed killed c/c)

NOTIFICATION TO F.M. SERIAL No. 1728

23  
F/Lt. Thompson (Mapping Section) advised 133 nautical miles, 10 degrees north of due west of Darwin. Almost in dead line for Koepang. This would mean that the aircraft was lost near Island of Roti, which is situated on the Darwin side of Timor Island.

27/6/42.

24.

*J. J. O'Connell* Cpl.  
D.P.S. CASUALTY SECTION

14.7.42. Postal acks re Encl. 20a.

Encl. 24a

25  
27. 8.42 Report from No. 2 B.P.S.O. stating C/A Proceedings have been received but are being held pending receipt of personal effects.

Encl. 25A

26.  
27. 8.42 Confirmatory Memo. re this airman reported missing, now missing believed killed, from No. 13 Squadron, M.T.

Encl. 26A

27.

Squadron Leader Cowdell, C/O No. 2 B.P.S.O. called and was shown files of all members concerned.

2. S/L Cowdell's attention was drawn to the fact that in some cases No. 13 Squadron had addressed letters to the next-of-kin, regarding personal effects and also had concluded the letters with an expression of sympathy.

3. He was also informed that so far as this Section was concerned these members were recorded as missing believed killed, and not killed.

4. The matters outlined in paras. 2 and 3 were to be the subject of an enquiry by him when he returned to Birdum, and S/Ldr. Cowdell stated that attention would be drawn of the Squadron concerned to guard against any future similar casualty.

5. S/L. Cowdell also explained that owing to shortage of storage space, the personal effects of these members had been forwarded to Melbourne.

6. S/L. Cowdell was asked to enlarge on the confirmatory memorandum forwarded by 2 B.P.S.O. and his remarks are as follows -

MISSING HUDSON A16-132

S.O.S. received from aircraft at 1645 hours (E. T.A) that Starboard engine had failed and the aircraft was coming in on one motor. At 1734 hours a further signal, giving the estimated time of arrival

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was received and arrangements were then made for the fire tender, Doctor and ambulance to be at the aerodrome. No further communication was established with the aircraft and a search was sent out to locate the missing aircraft at approximately 1730 hours. This search was unsuccessful and continuous searches were continued daily for the next four (4) days with negative results. Aircraft of this type always carry a dinghy, water and reserve rations for use in case of emergency when proceeding on operations of the nature on which this aircraft was engaged.

Newcastle No.  
for Wing Commander.  
D.P.S. CASUALTY SECTION.

27.8.42

28.

31.8.42 From Postmaster General's Department requesting details & evidence of this airman's death

Encl 28<sup>A</sup>

29.

9.42. ~~From P.M.G's Department reply to enc. 28A.~~  
To next of kin confirming enclosure 29A and informing her of contents of confirmatory memorandum and S/Ltr. Cowdell's report.

Enc. 29A.

30.

26.9.42. To P.M.G's Department reply to enc. 28A.

Enc. 30A.

31.

30.9.42 Loose minute to of Records advising change of address of M/K.

Encl 31<sup>A</sup>

12.10.42 Letter from <sup>32.</sup>Superannuation Board, A.C.T. requesting Death Certificate

Encl 32<sup>A</sup>

33.

10.42 To Superannuation Board, Canberra advising that Death Certificate will be forwarded when death presumed.

ENC.33A

34.

RECORDED FOR STATISTICAL TABULATION  
On P.P. 118 Serial No. 163/142/288

35.

13 FEB 1943 From wife of missing member applying for pensions on behalf of daughter

Enc 35

[OVER]

R.A.A.F. Form A (6)  
(May, 1939)

Noted on Pensions Card

36:

19.2.43. To A.F.O. Melb. enclosing copy of letter the abovenamed member's wife, for reply thereto. Enc. 36a.

8.1.43 <sup>37</sup> From 2, B.P.S.O. enclosing inventory of effects forwarded per overland conveyance advising C.A. proceedings held pending instructions from this H.Q. INCL 37A, B.

25.2.43 <sup>38</sup> Enclosures 37A-B handed to Central Repository

11.3.43 <sup>39</sup> Copy memo to B.P.S.O. enclosing receipt inventory of effects rec'd at Melb. office

12.3.43 <sup>40</sup> Signal from 2 B.P.S.O. enquiring if D. action taken, & action to be taken re CofA this member. Enc 40a

15.3.43 <sup>41</sup> From A.F.O. Melbourne advising no Refal. action necessary re Enc 36A. D/A being made available in respect of child. Encs 41A, 41B.

42.

15.3.43. Signal to 2 B.P.S.O. advising death of member not yet presumed, but in circumstances C.of.A. Proceedings may be forwarded. Encl. 42A.

43.

25/2/43 From Superannuation Board, requesting O/A. Enc 43A

44.

25/2/43 To Superannuation Board advising that a Death Certificate will be forwarded when death has been presumed. Enclosure 44A.

45.

24/3/43 From Superannuation Board requesting O/A see Enc 44A. Enc 45A

46.

16/4/43 Signal to 13 Squadron re 2 B.P.S.O. requesting advice whether death presumption proceeding. Enc 46A

47.

17/4/43. Minute to AFO A I/c R re change of address N.Kin. Enc. 47a.

48.

21/4/43 To Mrs. M. McGuire advising action to presume death being taken and requesting confirmation that no further news received. ENCL. 48a

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17.4.43 Copy signal from 2 BPSO in reply Encl. 49a.

Encl. 49a.

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28.4.43 From N/K confirming no further news received.

Encl. 50a.

51.

Mother called today to state that so far news of her son's casualty had only been vaguely conveyed to her, and she had heard through unofficial sources that death presumption action had been taken.

2. Informed mother that so far this Section had written to the wife making a formal request to advise us if any news had been received other than had been conveyed through official sources and informing her that death presumption action was proposed.

3. Mrs. McGuire desires that any further information should be conveyed to her simultaneously with the next-of-kin. Assured mother that her wishes in this regard would be respected.

*Murphy* F/O.

24.4.43

D.P.S. CASUALTY SECTION.

52.

22 5.43 Board Paper No. 292 recommending presumption of death this member, Air Board Minute recommending presumption

Encl. 52a.

53.

25.5.43 To *N/K* advising *D/P*

End 53A

54

25.5.43 To *mother* advising *D/P*

End 54A

55.

26/5/43. REPORTED ON DAILY CASUALTY REPORT No. 146

56.

(D/P)

26/5/43. NOTIFICATION TO F.M. SERIAL No. 2899.

57.

26/5/43 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF DELIVERY OF CASUALTY TELEGRAM to *Mother*

58

26/5/43 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF DELIVERY OF CASUALTY TELEGRAM to *N/K*

*MOTHER:*

29/5/43 Letter to *N/K* confirming casualty telegram. Encl. 57A.

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29/5/43 Letter to *N/K* confirming casualty telegram. Encl. 60A.

61.

28/5/43 to *Eastern Area*, 13 Sqdn. 2 BPSO advising *D/P*

62.

62. From Mr. J. McGuire acknowledging receipt of enclosure 60A & requesting advice re personal effects. 63 ENCL 62A

10/6/43. To Mr. J. McGuire acknowledging receipt of enclosure 62A advising re personal effects and enclosing inventory. 64 ENCL 63A & B

11/6/43. Letter from Superannuation Board Canberra requesting advice if death has been presumed. 65 ENC 64A

17/6/43. Application for Death Certificate from Mr. J. E. McGuire. 66 Encl. 65A

21/6/43. Application for Death Certificate from Australian Catholic Ass. Coy., Ltd. 67 Encl. 66A

Death certificate No. 2176 issued to Mrs. J.E. McGuire, East St. Kilda on 25th June, 1943 and despatched on 26/6/43. 68 W. J. P. / 10

Death certificate No. 2177 issued to Catholic Ass. Melbourne on 25th June, 1943 and despatched on 26/6/43. 69 W. J. P. / 10

PROCEEDINGS OF COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT RECEIVED 70

Enclosure 25A extracted & minuted on C of A file Bennett. acw 10/7/43. 71

25/8/43 From Superannuation Board Canberra requesting advise whether member presumed dead. 72 Encl. 71a

Death certificate No. 2178 issued to Superannuation Board ACT on 27th Aug and despatched on 28/8/43. 73 M. Sanger Gpd.

17/9/43. Minute from ACO advising person entitled to effects. 74 Encl. 74A

To Mrs. J.E. McGuire advising that personal effects are being forwarded and requesting that receipt be acknowledged. 75 Encl. 74A B

Personal effects referred to in enclosure 74A delivered personally by ACI. death on 1/10 to Mrs. J. E. McGuire. 75 R.A.A.F. CENTRAL REPOSITORY KIT STORE SA 1/10/43



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Reference

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Considered on [unclear] and [unclear] of [unclear]  
[unclear] of [unclear] and message despatched  
26/10/45

70A. 2 copies of Death Certificate No 2178.  
issued by The Australian Council  
and despatched to Mrs. J. E. Griffiths, E. St. Kilda  
Vic.  
26/10/45  
P.S. (A)

24/9/45 Cpl. Ranson (RE. 1.) advised only  
"MAURICE" (ENCH. 70A)  
79.

Finance advise widow remarried. Now Mrs. J.E. Griffith,  
General Delivery,  
Greenacres, WASHINGTON. U.S.A.

4.10.49

70b

A.F. Form 440  
Rev. 1936

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MEMORIAL SCROLL

401137 SGT. M<sup>c</sup>GUIRE M. (Missing)

Scroll previously forwarded to ~~undelivered address at address shown on en~~  
and returned unclaimed, has now been re-despatched to.....  
*No later address available from A.F.O. Gratuity file*  
....., in accordance with information  
extracted from A.F.O. War Gratuity file.

*Hold scroll pending advice of a later address.*

2 / 6 / 52.

*E. J. Maguire*  
.....  
D.F.S. Casualty Section.

*Enc 1*

DEPARTMENT OF AIR  
MINUTE PAPER

SUBJECT: *L101137 Sgt. McGuire, 16 (Deceased)*

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

*Mrs J. E. Griffith, (widow remanied)  
General Delivery,  
Greenacres,  
Washington, U.S.A.*

DISTRIBUTION:

O i/c RECORDS

D/POST

A.F.O. Mr. Noltenius

Mr. Saunders

PENSIONS SECTION

*H.W. 8.9.19*

*P3*

*[Signature]*

For D.P.S. Pl. CAS(N)

(PSD73/48)

163/141/288  
RAAF  
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D.P.S. Casualty Section,  
391 Little Collins Street,  
SEP 20 1945


RAAF 163/141/288 (71A)

Dear Madam,

I refer to your application, dated the 21st September, 1945, for the issue to you of two Certificates of Death on War Service in connection with your late husband, Sergeant Maurice McGuire, and forward herewith the Certificates as requested.

I desire to direct your attention to the fact that in all the records of this Department, which are based on information supplied by your husband at the time of his enlistment in the Royal Australian Air Force, his name is shown as "Maurice McGuire", and consequently the Certificates have been issued in that name.

Yours faithfully,

  
(M.C. Langslow)  
SECRETARY

Mrs. J.E. Griffith,  
95 Alma Road,  
EAST ST. KILDA. VIC.

Encl. 2.

*W. J. ...*  
DPS. PG(A) 15  
24/5

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

File / /

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

No. 401137  
Rank Sergeant Pilot (MIN. 73)  
Full Name Maurice Joseph McGuire  
Number of Certificates required Two

Certificate/s required for the purpose of

Obtaining a visa for the  
United States of America (I have  
remarried)

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

The American Consul  
478. Bourke Street  
Melbourne.

DESPATCHED  
Vide M. 77

Signature of applicant. Juno E. Griffith  
Address 95 Alma Rd  
E. St. Hilda  
Vic.

Date 21. 9. 45.

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

XXXX LA. 5271.

ENCH. 74A

G.P.A.

XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX  
Casualty Section,  
Merton Hall,  
Anderson Street,  
South Yarra, S.E.1.

RAAF. 163/141/288(74A).

20 SEP 1943

Dear Madam,

With reference to the Service affairs of your late husband, Sergeant Maurice McGuire, I desire to inform you that his personal effects as shown on the attached inventory have been received by Royal Australia Air Force Central Repository, West Melbourne, from his former unit, 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 Head-quarters in due course.

Yours faithfully,

*J. G. Scott*  
F/LT

Enc.

O.I/c. Central Repository,  
for. GROUP CAPTAIN. D.P.S.

Mrs. J. E. McGuire,  
Flat 3,  
95 Alma Road,  
ST KILDA.

PERSONAL EFFECTS OF THE LATE NO.401137, SERGEANT McQUIRE, M. 698

- |                         |                       |
|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1 Suitcase containing:- | 1 Dressing Gown       |
| 1 Pair White Shorts     | 2 Photos              |
| 2 Pair Pyjamas          | 1 Writing Pad         |
| 1 Pair Blue Socks       | Envelopes             |
| 1 Pair K.D. Stockings   | 1 Wallet containing:- |
| 1 White Windcheater     | 1 Photo               |
| 2 Singlets              | 1 Steel Mirror        |
| 1 Money Belt            | 1 Identity Card       |
| 1 Pair Black Shoes      | 1 Cap Badge           |
| 15 Handkerchiefs        | 1 Pilots Brevet.      |
| 2 Pairs Drawers         |                       |

I hereby acknowledge receipt of the abovementioned personal effects.

.6.43.

(Mrs) June McQuire

Personal effects of Aus/401137 SGT M<sup>C</sup> GUIRE M C

1 Package contg:  
Correspondence  
Photos

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W. G. Sullivan 6/8/43  
R. Norton



POST RECEIPT

Name McGUIRE, J.  
(IN BLOCK)

Christian Names M

Rank Sgt Unit \_\_\_\_\_

Number 401137

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*

1 PACKAGE

No. 15374 DD6

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

Issued by [Signature] Date 6/3/44

(To be handed to depositor)

SUBJECT: re No. 401137 Sgt. Mc Guire M.

D.F.S. (Casualty Section)

In accordance with A.B.O. 465/43, para 18, it is advised that the person properly entitled to the property of the above-named deceased member is:-

NAME	CAPACITY	REL'SHIP	ADDRESS
June Estelle Mc Guire	next of kin	Widow	Flat 3. 95 Alma Road. St. Kilda Vic.

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

16/8/43

(JD27/43)

*Keenan*  
Area Finance Officer,  
(Deceased Personnel Section)

Noted in C. of A. Section  
8/15/43

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ONE B.173  
56222

*470 Anthony*

NS/EC  
COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

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R.A.A.F.

SUPERANNUATION BOARD,  
CANBERRA, A.C.T.

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120th August, 1943.

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The Secretary,  
Department of Air,  
Victoria Barracks,  
MELBOURNE. VIC.

Attention is again invited to your communication of the 25th March, 1943, No. RAAF.163/141/288(44A), relative to the case of Maurice McGuire, formerly Sergeant, R.A.A.F. who was reported "missing believed to have lost his life" and advice is desired as to whether Death has yet been presumed.

*N. S. Swindon*

N. S. Swindon,  
Secretary.

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43*

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A.C.A. BUILDING  
66 KING STREET

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118-126 QUEEN STREET  
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(INCORPORATED IN NEW SOUTH WALES)

TELEPHONE: M 5706

ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO BE  
ADDRESSED TO:  
THE RESIDENT SECRETARY  
Box 2302U, G.P.O., MELBOURNE

VICTORIAN OFFICE:  
A.C.A. BUILDING, 118-126 QUEEN STREET,  
MELBOURNE

18th June, 1943.

Officer in Charge,  
D.P.S. Casualties,  
R.A.A.F.,  
MELBOURNE

Dear Sir, re Sgt. Maurice McGuire (Dec'd)

Claim having been lodged with this Office under Policies Nos. 278699 and 280632 on the life of the above, certificate of death in due course will oblige.

We unfortunately have not the Deceased's regimental number, but to further assist you, quote your reference - R.A.A.F. 163/141/288 (59A), this appearing on letter recently received by Mrs. E. McGuire of No. 366 Orrong Road, North Caulfield.

Yours faithfully,

*A. B. Gaudry*  
FOR RESIDENT SECRETARY.

19 JUN 1943

Enc 657A

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

DRAFT

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

File / /

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

No. 401137

Rank. Sergeant Pilot

Full Name. Maurice Joseph McGuire

Number of Certificates required. 1

Certificate/s required for the purpose of  
Supraannuation

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

Supraannuation Board  
Canberra

Signature of applicant. J. E. McGuire

Address. 95 Alura Rd.  
6 St. Kilda

Date. 8.7.

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

(D. 26/43)

NS/DC

ENC 64

163/141/288

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

SUPERANNUATION BOARD R.A.A.F.

CANBERRA, A.C.T.

BS31543

11th June, 1943.

TELEPHONE B. 173

*Foxmull*

The Secretary,  
Department of Air,  
Casualty Section,  
Merton Hall,  
Anderson Street,  
SOUTH YARRA. S.E.1. Vic.

No. 401137 Sergeant Maurice McGUIRE, deceased.

Attention is invited to your communication of the 25th March, 1943, No. RAAF.163/141/288(44A), relative to the case of Maurice McGuire, formerly Sergeant, R.A.A.F. who was reported "missing believed to have lost his life" and advice is desired as to whether Death has yet been presumed.

*M. S. Swindon*

M. S. Swindon,  
Secretary.

*hd*  
*14663*

*[Signature]*  
15 JUN 1943

ENCL. 63A

1 ~~XXXX~~ LA.5871.

XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX  
Casualty Section,  
Merton Hall,  
Anderson Street,  
South Yarra, S.E.1.

RAAF 163/141/288(63A)

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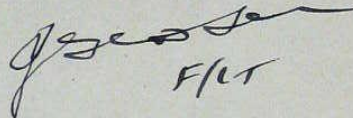
Dear Madam,

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated the 1st June, 1943, and I desire to inform you that the personal effects as shown in the attached inventory, of your late husband, Sergeant Maurice McGuire, are held at Royal Australian Air Force Central Repository.

It is advised that the personal effects referred to will be held at Royal Australian Air Force Central Repository pending advice from Area Finance Office (Deceased Personnel Section), Temple Court, Collins Street, Melbourne, as to the person legally entitled to receive same.

It is anticipated that in the near future you will receive a communication from the Area Finance Officer.

Yours faithfully,

  
F/LT

O.1/c Central Repository,  
for GROUP CAPTAIN, D.P.S.

Enc.

Mrs. J. McGuire,  
Flat 3,  
95 Alma Road,  
EAST ST. KILDA, VIC.

*Enclosure 63 B.*

PERSONAL EFFECTS OF THE LATE NO. 401137, SERGEANT McGUIRE, M.

- |                         |                       |
|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1 Suitcase containing:- | 1 Dressing Gown       |
| 1 Pair White Shorts     | 3 Photos              |
| 2 Pair Pyjamas          | 1 Writing Pad         |
| 1 Pair Blue Socks       | Envelopes             |
| 1 Pair K.D. Stockings   | 1 Wallet containing:- |
| 1 White Windcheater     | 1 Photo               |
| 2 Singlets              | 1 Steel Mirror        |
| 1 Money Belt            | 1 Identity Card       |
| 1 Pair Black Shoes      | 1 Cap Badge           |
| 15 Handkerchiefs        | 1 Pilots Brevet.      |
| 2 Pairs Drawers         |                       |
-



Personal effects of [Name] [Address]

- 1 White shirt
- 1 White shorts
- 2 Pajamas
- 1 Blue socks
- 1 P.K.D. Stocking (Vinal)
- \* ~~Shoes~~
- 1 White Windbreak
- 2 Sings
- 1 Money belt
- 1 Black shoes
- 5 Handkerchiefs
- 2 Drawers
- 1 Dressing gown
- 2 Hats
- 1 Writing pad
- envelopes
- 1 wallet cont:
- 1 Hat
- Steel Mirror
- 1 Identity card
- 1 Cap. ~~H~~ Badg.
- 1 Plot brief

- 1 Towel
- 1 Scarf
- 1 Drawers
- 1 Handkerchief
- 1 P.K.D. Stocking
- 1 P.K.D. Stockings
- 1 P.D. Socks
- 2 Hats soft & brown
- 1 P.K.D. Trousers
- 1 ~~H/S belt~~

H. Kelly 1/10/63

W. Blair  
8/16

ENC 62A  
163/141/288

Grayling  
June 1st 43

The Secretary,  
Consular Section,

Dear Mr Jurgelaw,

I have to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated May 29th confirming the telegram of my husband's death.

I should like to know how to go about obtaining my husband's personal effects from Dornum, there are quite a few things among them. I would like to have, I realize it takes time, but it's 12 months now since he was lost, so if there is anything I should do, I wish you would let me know.

Thank you so much,  
I am,

Yours faithfully,  
(Mrs) June McQuire  
95 Alma Road  
E. St Kilda 52

2 JUN 1943



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ENC 61A

EASTERN AREA, 13 SQUADRON, THE R.F.C.

	R.A.A.F. H.Q.		P.A.503	29 MAY	
P/O	D. E.	LONG	40388		P/O
G. R.	CRAWFORD	403802	F/O		G.V.
CAUTION	411861	403137	SERGEANT		HOOVER
H.	411908	SERGEANT	MAYNARD		L. R.
(.)	TEXT	OF	HIN		RAW
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BOARD	R.A.A.F.	17 JUNE	1942		

(JL)

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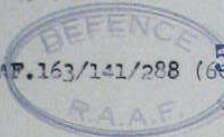
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RAAF.163/141/288 (60a)

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Casualty Section,

Merton Hall,  
xxx Anderson Street,  
South Yarra,  
MAY 29 1943 S.E.I.

Dear Madam,

It is with deep regret that I have to confirm this Department's telegram, dated the 25th May, 1943, informing you that the death of your husband, Sergeant Maurice McGuire, has now been presumed for official purposes to have occurred on the 17th June, 1943.

The Minister for Air and members of the Air Board desire me to extend to you their profound sympathy in your great loss, and it is hoped that the accompanying enclosures will contain information which may be of assistance to you.

Yours faithfully,

(M.C. Langslow)  
SECRETARY

Enc.3.

Mrs. J. McGuire,  
Flat 3,  
95 Alma Road,  
EAST ST. KILDA, Vic.

*Merton Hall* Ft 27/5  
D.P.S. CASUALTY SECTION

55720

XXXX LA.5271.

Casualty Section,

Merton Hall,  
XXXX Anderson Street,  
South Yarra,  
S.E.1.

RAAF.163/141/288 (59A)

MAY 29 1943



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Yours faithfully,

(M.C. Longslew)  
SECRETARY

Enc.2.

Mrs. E. McGuire,  
366 Orrong Road,  
NORTH CAULFIELD, S.E.7.

B.

*M. Longslew* 5/5 29/5  
D.P.S. CASUALTY SECTION

Commonwealth of Australia



Postmaster-General's Department

*Enc 58A* P.M. 44.

Memorandum to O.I.C Casualty Section  
R.A.A.F. Headquarters  
Anderson Street  
South Yarra S.E.1.

POST OFFICE



Your telegram lodged Melbourne at 11.2am on 25/5/43, addressed to Mrs J McGuire, Flat 3, 95 Alma Road, St Kilda, was delivered at 11.55am on 25/3/43.

Signed. *A. Kogerman*  
Postmaster.

*266/3326 ✓*

*Sgt McGuire m*

*26 MAY 1943*  
*AC*

Sch. C. 4536-6/1942

Commonwealth of Australia



Postmaster-General's Department

P.M. 44.



Memorandum to...

O I C CASUALTY SECTION  
RAAF HEADQRS MERTON HALL  
ANDERSON ST  
S YARRA S E 1

POST OFFICE CAULFIELD S E 8  
19

YOUR TELEGRAM LODGED *memo* AT *1.24* ON *25/5/43*

ADDRESSED TO *Mrs M. J. Jones 366 Spring Rd.*

REFERRING TO *Mr Maurice Melman*

WAS DELIVERED AT *3.20* ON *25/5/43*

*266/3326 ✓*

*Handed for*  
POSTMASTER

*NOT N/K*

*26 MAY 1943*

*B ✓*

Pub. C. 2308-2/1939.

MESSAGE FORM

Office Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_

Call IN  
and  
Preface  
POST. **OUT**

No. of  
Groups  
**GR**

Office Date Stamp.

*Encl 54A*

DELIVERY PERSONAL. (Above this line is for Signals use only.)

TO\* **MRS. E. McGUIRE, 366 ORRONG ROAD, NTH. CAULFIELD, S.E.7, VIC.**

**AIR FORCE, ANDERSON ST., STR. YARRA**

Originator's Number.

Date.

In Reply to Number and Date.

FROM\* ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~

P.A. **688**

**25 MAY**

DEEPLY REGRET TO INFORM YOU THAT IT HAS NOW BEEN PRESUMED FOR OFFICIAL PURPOSES THAT THE DEATH OF YOUR SON **SERGEANT MAURICE McGUIRE**

OCCURRED ON **SEVENTEENTH JUNE 1942**

(.) THE MINISTER FOR AIR JOINS WITH AIR BOARD IN EXPRESSING PROFOUND SYMPATHY.

TO: POSTMASTER

P.A. REQUEST ADVISE AIR BOARD BY COLLECT TELEGRAM WHEN ACCOMPANYING WAR CASUALTY TELEGRAM ADDRESSED TO

HAS BEEN DELIVERED FROM: AIR BOARD.

(JAM)

This message must be sent AS WRITTEN and may <b>NOT</b> be sent by W/T.		This message must be sent IN CYPHER and may _____ be sent by W/T.		Originator's Instructions.* Degree of Priority.*		TIME of ORIGIN						
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System in.	Time in.	Reader.	Sender.	System out.	Time out.	Reader.	Sender.	System out.	Time out.	Reader.	Sender.	T.H.I.

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MESSAGE FORM

Office Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_

Call and Preface  
POSTAL ACKNOWLEDGMENT

IN

No. of Groups  
**GR**

Office Date Stamp:

*Encl 53A*

DELIVERY PERSONAL.

(Above this line is for Signals use only.)

TO\* **MRS. J. MCGUIRE, FLAT 3, 95 ALMA ROAD, EAST ST. KILDA, VIC.**

FROM\* **AIR BOARD, MELBOURNE**

Originator's Number. Date. In Reply to Number and Date.  
P.A. **674** **25 MAY**

DEEPLY REGRET TO INFORM YOU THAT IT HAS NOW BEEN PRESUMED FOR OFFICIAL PURPOSES THAT THE DEATH OF YOUR **HUSBAND SERGEANT MAURICE MCGUIRE**

OCCURRED ON **SEVENTEENTH JUNE 1942**

(.) THE MINISTER FOR AIR JOINS WITH AIR BOARD IN EXPRESSING PROFOUND SYMPATHY.

TO: POSTMASTER  
P.A.

REQUEST ADVISE AIR BOARD BY COLLECT TELEGRAM WHEN ACCOMPANYING WAR CASUALTY TELEGRAM ADDRESSED TO

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A.H.M.—11/42—B9486

PRESUMPTION OF DEATH OF CREW OF HUDSON A16-132

The following members the crew of Hudson A16-132 of 13 Squadron were reported by No. 2 Base Personnel Staff Office, to be missing from an operational flight on 17th June, 1942:-

- Pilot Officer Brian Ernest LONG (403888)
- Pilot Officer Gordon Robert CRAWFORD (403802)
- Pilot Officer Colin Vivian CAMTOR (411861)
- 401137 Sergeant McGUIRE, Maurice
- 411908 Sergeant HAYWARD, Laurence Rex

2. It is desired to presume the deaths of the abovenamed members.
3. Thirteen Squadron has furnished a memorandum setting out the circumstances under which the aircraft was lost, (enclosure 3A).
4. A16-132 took off from Hughes, at 0115/2 hours on 17th June, 1942, on a diverging track search. Datum was Darwin. Two other aircraft were engaged on this search with tracks one on the North and one on the South of the track flown by A16-132, (para. 2 of enclosure 3A).
5. At 0715/3., A16-132 signalled that the starboard engine had failed and the aircraft was coming in on one motor, (Para. 4 of enc. 3A).
6. The position of the aircraft at the time of sending the S.O.S. was estimated to be 12° 00' 128° 40' E. (para 5 of enclosure 3A).
7. At 0804/2 E.T.A. was received at Darwin and necessary arrangements were made for the aircraft to land (para 4 enclosure 3A., and Enclosure 2A.).
8. The aircraft did not land at Darwin nor did it return to its Unit.
9. Requests were continually made to R.D.F. through A. C.H. for plots, which eventually proved to be plots of other aircraft (para 5 enclosure 3A).
10. Searches were carried out for the missing aircraft from 17th June, 1942, to 21st June, 1942, inclusive, but these searches were unsuccessful, (para. 7 of enclosure 3A).
11. Nothing has been seen or heard of A16-132 or its crew since 17th June, 1942.
12. Communications have been sent to the next of kin of the missing members enquiring whether they have received any news indicating the possibility of the members being alive. These enquiries have, however, produced negative results.
13. It is not considered possible that any of the abovenamed members will be found alive.

(J195/43)

REGISTERED IN REGISTER  
 By *Phillips* F/Sgt 72  
 25/5/43



14. RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the following members be presumed to have lost their lives as the result of air operations on 17th June, 1942:-

- Pilot Officer Brian Ernest LONG (403888)
- Pilot Officer Gordon Robert CRAWFORD (403802)
- Pilot Officer Colin Vivian CANTON (411861)
- 401137 Sergeant McGUIRE, Maurice,
- 411908 Sergeant HAYWARD, Laurence Rex,

*(Signature)*  
Air Vice-Marshal,  
CHIEF OF THE AIR STAFF

(J195/43)

AIR BOARD MINUTE.

Date of Meeting: 14th May, 1948

Present: C.A.S., A.M.E.M., A.M.S.E., B.M., F.M.

The Board approves the recommendation in paragraph 14.

- C.A.S. Int'd G.J.
- A.M.E.M. Int'd E.C.V.
- A.M.S.E. Int'd G.M.
- B.M. Int'd F.S.J.
- F.M. Int'd H.C.E.

Sgd. F.J. Mulrooney  
Secretary, Air Board.

CERTIFIED TRUE COPY

(Sgd) F.J. Mulrooney

Secretary, AIR BOARD

Ind 500

95 Alma Rd  
E. L. Kilda  
27/4/45

The Secretary,  
Dept. of Air.

Dear Sir,

I hereby acknowledge & receipt of your letter dated April 21, advising me that no trace of my husband has been found, nevertheless I still have hope for his return.

I have received no other word from him or his friends to the contrary, or from Air Board.

I thank you for your kind sympathy, in the meantime I shall await better news.

I am,

Yours faithfully  
(Mrs) June McGuire

AK  
26 APR 1945

Incl 490

COPY.

RAAF HQRS

2 BFSO

1515 17 APRIL PA 789 18 APRIL

FOR CASUALTY SECTION (.) P/O B E LONG 403888 AND CREW (.) NO  
FURTHER INFORMATION RECEIVED THIS OFFICE

*Sgt. Mc Lane m. 3/6 2/14*

*16016 Maguire  
266. Cronq Rd.*

S.S.  
19.4.43

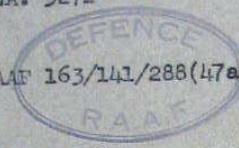
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RAAF 163/141/288(47a)



Casualty Section,

Merton Hall,  
XXX Anderson St.,  
South Yarra.  
S.E.1.

Dear Madam,

I deeply regret to inform you that all efforts to trace your husband, Sergeant Maurice McGuire, have proved unavailing and it is feared that all hope of finding him alive must be abandoned.

It has now become necessary to consider the question whether in these circumstances an official presumption of your husband's death should be made. Before any decision in this regard is made, it is a necessary formality that you should advise this Department in writing that you have received no further news of your husband since the date when he became missing. Accordingly, it is requested that you write a letter in these terms to this Department at your earliest convenience.

I desire to extend to you again the sincere sympathy of this Department in the great anxiety which you have suffered.

Yours faithfully,

(M.C. Langslow),  
SECRETARY.

Mrs. M. McGuire,  
Flat 3,  
95 Alma Road,  
EAST ST. KILDA.

*Chandler* 5/6  
D.P.S. CASUALTY SECTION  
20/4

DEPARTMENT OF AIR.  
MINUTE PAPER.

*June 14/43*

19228 3.42 SE 9118 G.P.S.

(This side only to be written on.)

SUBJECT: 401157 Sergeant McGuire, Maurice.

O I/O RECORDS

It is requested that the address of the next of kin be amended to read:

Mrs. June McGuire, (Wife)  
Flat 3,  
95 Alma Road,  
EAST ST. KILDA. VIC.

*17 /4/43*

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

*H.F.O. modified*  
*[Signature]*

COPY

Enc 46A

TO 13 SQUADRON REPEAT 2.B.P.S.O.

FROM R.A.A.F. HQ

P.A. 789

16 APR

PILOT	OFFICER	BRIAN	ERNEST	LONG
(403888)	AND	CREW	A16-132	MISSING
17th	JUNE	(.)	DEATH	PRESUMPTION
PROCEEDING	(.)	ADVISE	WHETHER	ANY
FURTHER	NEWS	RECEIVED	(.)	13
SQUADRON	MEMORANDUM	66/6/AIR	(6A)	2nd
JULY	REFERS			



NS/JM.

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

*640 4577*  
*163/141/288*  
*65*  
*26/3/43*

56222

SUPERANNUATION BOARD.  
CANNBERRA, A.C.T.

24th March, 1943.

The Secretary,  
Department of Air,  
Casualty Section,  
Merton Hall,  
Anderson Street,  
SOUTH YARRA, S.E.1. Vic.

401137 Sergeant Maurice McGUIRE, Deceased.

With reference to your communication of the 23rd October, 1942, R.A.A.F. 163/141/288(33A), I shall be glad to be advised whether a Certificate of Death on War Service of Maurice McGuire, Clerk, Postmaster-General's Department, Victoria, on War Service with the Royal Australian Air Force, is yet available for transmission to the Superannuation Board.

*N. S. Swindon*

N. S. Swindon,  
Secretary.

*62 27/3/43*

163/141/288

MS 25 1943

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Casualty Section,

Merton Hall,  
XXXX Anderson St.,  
STH.YARRA.SEL.

RAAF.163/141/288(44A)

The Secretary,  
Superannuation Board,  
CANBERRA. A.C.T.

re NO.401137 SERGEANT MAURICE McGUIRE

I refer to your letter No.56222 dated the 25th February, 1943, and have to inform you that the abovenamed airman is at present still classified as "missing but believed to have lost his life".

2. A certificate of death will be forwarded to you when an official presumption of death has been recorded.

(M.G. *McGill*)  
SECRETARY

10. 20 P/O 24/43

For Wing Commandr.  
R.A.F. CASUALTY SECTION

*Enc 437*  
*163/141/288*

56222

SUPERANNUATION BOARD,  
CANBERRA, A.C.T.

*65/1/1/1/1/1*

25th February, 1943.

The Secretary,  
Department of Air,  
Casualty Section,  
Merton Hall,  
Anderson Street,  
SOUTH YARRA. S.E.1. Vic.

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*N S Swindon*

N. S. Swindon,  
Secretary.

*05-18/1/1*



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*Encl 42H.*

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TWO BASE P.S.C.

A.A.A.E. HEADQUARTERS.

*P.S. 648* 15/MAR

REFERENCE	P/O	B	S	LANG
AND	CHIEF	(.)	DEATH	THREE
MEMBER	NOT	HEALTH	NOT	YES
PREVIOUS	(.)	IN	CIRCUMSTANCES	COMMITTEE
ADJUSTMENT	PROCEEDINGS	IF	IN	ORDER
MAY	BE	FORWARDED	THIS	HEADQUARTERS
(.)	YOUR	W525	12/MAR	REPORT
(.)				

NOT

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RECORDED.

DEPARTMENT OF AIR. *Emilia*  
MINUTE PAPER.

(This side only to be written on.)

1928 3.42 869116 G.P.S.

SUBJECT: 401137 Sgt. MCGUIRE, Maurice. (36A)

A.F.O. Melbourne (O. i/o. Allotments Mr. Waterworth.)

Reference attached copy letter from the abovenamed member's wife.

2. As member has not yet been presumed dead pension action is premature.

3. The copy is therefore forwarded to you for allotment action and your reply to the wife direct.

4. It would be appreciated if you would, for record purposes, furnish D.P.S. Casualty Section with a copy of your reply.

19.2.43.

*H. Challard*

F/O.

Group Captain

DIRECTOR OF PERSONAL SERVICES.

*D.P.S. (attention H. Challard)*

*Re attached copy. Wife had written this office on matter. Off is being made available in Mochel and allottee suitably advised. NZS required by your Sectn.*

*A. Waterworth*  
11/3/43

15 MAR 1943



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COPY.

Flat 3,  
95 Alma Road,  
E. ST. KILDA  
11th Feb.

Pilot Officer Bunde,  
C/- Air Board.

Dear Sir,

On receipt of information from St. Kilda  
Rail Post Office, I should like to apply to Air Board for a  
child's pension. I am the wife of Sgt. Pilot M. McGuire  
(401137) and my daughter is 3½ weeks old, born Jan 17th  
at Queen Victoria Hospital.

Awaiting your reply,

I am,

Yours faithfully,

(SIGNED) Mrs. June McGuire.

405 870  
1/2

Enc. 40a

C O P Y

TO RAAF HEADQUARTERS  
FROM 2 BFSO

M525 12 MAR (.)

REQUEST ADVISE IF PRESUMPTION OF DEATH RESPECT P/O B E LONG  
403888 AND CREW HAS BEEN MADE ALSO INSTRUCT THIS OFFICE CONCERNING  
ACTION TO BE TAKEN REGARDING COMMITTEES OF ADJUSTMENT HELD THESE  
MEMBERS (.) IN VIEW PROJECTED MOVE THIS OFFICE INTO ACTIVE ZONE  
AND ESTABLISHMENT KIT STORE DESIRABLE COMPLETE ACTION THESE MATTERS

CREW.

Sgt. McGuire M  
P/O Crawford, G.R.  
P/O Cantor, C.V.  
Sgt. Hayward, L.R.

P.2261.

*Case 39A*

RAAF. 163/141/288

Central Repository (Kit Store),  
Cnr. Rosslyn & Howard Streets,  
West Melbourne, Vic.

11 MAR 1943

No. 2 Base Personnel Staff Office,  
Postal Group 19,  
BIRDUM. N.T.

PERSONAL EFFECTS NO. 401137 SERGEANT MCGUIRE, M.

Reference your letter No. 919/5/P1(5A) dated 8th  
February, 1943.

2. Received inventory for personal effects of the  
abovenamed casualty, which were received at Royal Australian  
Air Force Central Repository, is forwarded herewith.

*J. J. J.*  
F/RT

Enc.

O.i/c Central Repository,  
for GROUP CAPTAIN, D.P.S.



TELEPHONE:

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

ENCL 37A

IN REPLY PLEASE QUOTE

No. 919/5/Pl (5a)

126/2/43

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE  
No.2 Base Personnel Staff Office,  
Postal Group 19,  
BIRDUM, N.T.

8-FEB 1943

The Secretary,  
Air Board, (for O. i/c Casualty Section)  
Victoria Barracks,  
St. Kilda Road,  
MELBOURNE, S.C.I.

126/2

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COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT  
401137 SGT/ McGUIRE, M.

Private effects of the abovenamed member as per enclosed inventory have been forwarded to Central Kit Repository, SOUTH MELBOURNE, by overland convoy on the 1st FEBRUARY, 1943.

2. Committee of Adjustment Proceedings are being amended and held at this Office pending instructions from Air Force Headquarters, as required by A.M.P.'s instructions to B.P.S.Os'.

3. It is requested that receipt of the effects be acknowledged to this Office.

...John U. Watt.....F/O.  
(J.U.WATT)

for Squadron Leader, Commanding  
NO.2 BASE PERSONNEL STAFF OFFICE.

Enc. (1)

INVENTORY OF PERSONAL EFFECTS OF NO. 401137  
SGT. McGUIRE, M.

- ✓ 1 drab uniform and cap F/S. included as memento items.
- ✓ 1 heavy singlet
- ✓ 1 dressing gown
- ✓ 2 pairs drab socks
- ✓ 2 suits pyjamas
- ✓ 16 handkerchiefs.
- ✓ 2 singlets
- ✓ 1 sweat shirt
- ✓ 2 pair underpants
- ✓ 1 writing pad
- ✓ 3 photos
- ✓ 1 wallet (containing photos and mirror)
- ✓ 1 pair white shorts
- ✓ 1 pair drab shorts
- ✓ 1 money belt (empty)
- ✓ 1 towel, coloured
- ✓ 1 pair shoes
- ✓ 1 leather suit-case
- ✓ 1 blue scarf
- ✓ 1 pair blue socks.

*Account  
No. 113*

*Level 30*

401137 Sgt. MCGUIRE, Maurice.

A.F.O. Melbourne (O. i/c. Allotments Mr. Waterworth.)

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2. As member has not yet been presumed dead pension action is premature.

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19.2.43.

*for* F/O.  
Group Captain  
DIRECTOR OF PERSONAL SERVICES.

163/141/288 Enc 35A

A-20

Function  
Change of  
Address.  
(see Enc 31A)

Flat 3.  
95 Alma Rd  
E. St. Kilda  
11<sup>th</sup> Feb.  
Noted on Pensions Card

Pilot Officer Rundle  
c/- Air Board,  
Dear Sir,

6/10/1943

On receipt of information from St. Kilda Rail Post Office, I should like to apply to Air Board for a child's pension. I am the wife of Sgt Pilot M. McGuire (401137) and my daughter is 3 1/2 weeks old, born Jan 17<sup>th</sup> at Queen Victoria Hospital.

Awaiting your reply,  
I am,  
Yours faithfully

Noted on Pensions Card

56/733 - Injured only (Mrs) June McGuire  
266/3326 - M.B.K. - no date

File to me  
please  
H.S. 13/2

13 FEB 1943

MELBOURNE  
4 30 AM  
12 FEB  
1943  
VICTORIA



*Pilot Officer Rundle,  
Air Board,  
Merton Hall,  
Melbourne*

NM  
19/10

ENC. 33A

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XXXXXX Ld. 5271 Ext. 131

Casualty Section,

Merton Hall,  
XXXXX Anderson Street,  
South Yarra,  
S.E. 1

RAAF. 163/141/288(33A)

OCT 23 1942

The Secretary,  
Superannuation Board,  
CANBERRA. A.C.T.

re - No. 401137 SERGEANT MAURICE McGUIRE

I refer to your letter No. 56222 dated the 12th October, 1942. I have to inform you that the above-named airman is at present classified as "missing but believed to have lost his life".

2. A Certificate of Death will be forwarded to you when an official presumption of death has been recorded.

*M.C.L.*  
(M.C. Langslow),  
SECRETARY.

*Sp 5/0*  
D.P.S. CASUALTY SECTION  
24/10

*Enc 320* NS/EC  
COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

DEFENCE  
163/141/288  
R.A.A.F.

56222

*Postmaster*  
*N14/10*

SUPERANNUATION BOARD,  
CANBERRA, A.C.T.

RECEIVED

12th October, 1942.

URGENT AIR REGISTRY

The Secretary,  
Department of Air,  
MELBOURNE. VIC.

Maurice McGUIRE, deceased, formerly Sergeant, R.A.A.F.

Referring to your communication of the 26th September, 1942, RAAF.163/141/288(30A) addressed to the Deputy Director, Postmaster-General's Department, Melbourne, regarding the Death of Maurice McGuire, Sergeant, Royal Australian Air Force, formerly Clerk, Postmaster-General's Department, Victoria, I shall be glad if you will kindly arrange for a certificate of presumption of death to be forwarded to the Superannuation Board, Canberra, for notation.

*N. S. Swindon*

N. S. Swindon,  
Secretary.

*Bl...*

DEPARTMENT OF AIR.  
MINUTE PAPER.

*Encl 3/a*

1928 3.42 8: 9116 G.P.S.

(This side only to be written on.)

SUBJECT: No. 401137 L.A.C. McGUIRE, M. *6104*

O. i/c Records.

It is requested that the change of next-of-kin of the abovenamed airman be noted in all records:-

Next-of-Kin:	Wife,	Mrs. M. McGuire, 26 Charnwood Road, <u>ST KILDA.</u> <u>VIC.</u>
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*W.P. 770*

30.9.42.

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



104455 ✓

SEP 26 1942

Casualty Section,

Merton Hall,  
Anderson Street,  
South Yarra.  
S.E.1.

XXXXXXXXXXXX LA.5271  
Ext. 56.

RAAF.163/141/288(30A)

Deputy Director,  
Postmaster-General's Department,  
MELBOURNE. C.1.

Referring to your memorandum No.GA.42/2274,  
dated the 20th July, 1942, with reference to Sergeant  
Maurice McGuire, it is desired to inform you that this  
airman was reported missing from a patrol flight on the  
17th June, 1942, and is now classified as missing, but  
believed to have lost his life.

*me*  
(M.C. Langslow)  
SECRETARY.

*for D.P.S. CASUALTY SECTION*  
*24/9*

xxxx LA.5271

xxx S.C.1.

RAAF.163/141/288(29A)

Dear Sir, *M. M. McGuire*

I refer to telegram from this Department to Mr. J. McGuire, dated the 8th July, 1942, and regret that I have to confirm the information that your husband, Sergeant Maurice McGuire, previously reported missing, is now reported to be missing but believed to have lost his life as a result of air operations.

According to the information now available in this Department, your husband was a member of the crew of a Hudson aircraft which was lost while on a patrol flight on the 17th June, 1942. At 4.45 p.m. on that day, an S.O.S. message was received from the aircraft which was then on its return journey, stating that the starboard engine had failed, and that the aircraft was coming in on one motor. Fifty minutes later, a further signal was received, giving the expected time of arrival, and preparations for its landing were made at the base. I regret to say that the aircraft did not arrive, and that no further communication was received from it.

A search was immediately carried out by air in an endeavour to locate the aircraft. Extensive searches were continued during the following four days, but no trace was found of the aircraft or its crew. I deeply regret to say that it is believed that the aircraft, which carried a dinghy, water and reserve rations for use in emergency, was lost in the sea. The area in which it was lost is regularly patrolled by the Royal Australian Air Force, and a constant look out has been kept by patrolling aircraft, but without success.

Permit me to extend to you the sincere sympathy of this Department in the anxiety you are suffering, and to assure you that any further information received concerning your husband will be conveyed to you immediately.

Yours faithfully,

*M. C. Laagslow*  
(M.C. Laagslow)  
SECRETARY.

Mrs. M. McGuire,  
28 Charnwood Road,  
ST. KILDA. Vic.

*WP 24/0*  
for D.P.S. CASUALTY SECTION  
15/9

*50 Leadbeaver* *Encl 25*  
*Wassington & K.* C.4  
*AR 2/7*

RL:AFS

Commonwealth of Australia



Postmaster-General's Department

In Reply Please Quote  
No. Ga. 42/2274.

GENERAL POST OFFICE,  
MELBOURNE, C.1,  
VICTORIA.

Telephone: Central 132, Extn.  
Telegrams: "Deputy" Melbourne.

20th July, 1942.

The Secretary,  
Department of Air,  
Victoria Barracks,  
MELBOURNE. S.C.1.

Advice was recently received by this Department to the effect that Mr. Maurice McGuire, who prior to his enlistment with the R.A.A.F. on 3rd January, 1941, was employed as a Clerk in the Telephone Branch, had been killed whilst on active service.

2. In order that early action may be taken to provide deceased's widow with a pension in accordance with the provisions of the Commonwealth Superannuation Act, I should be glad if you would kindly furnish me with evidence of his death.



*DPS (Cas)*

*Wassington & K.*

*R. N. Partington*  
(R. N. PARTINGTON)  
Deputy Director.

Final  
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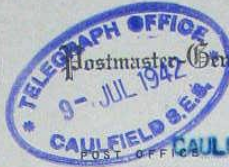
FROM : No. 13 Squadron, R.A.A.F., NORTHERN TERRITORY.  
TO : No. 2 B.F.S.O., Postal Group 19, R.A.A.F., DALY WATERS.  
DATE : 2nd JULY 1942  
REF. : 66/6/AIR (6a)

CONFIRMATORY MEMORANDUM - CASUALTY  
Pilot Officer S.S. LONG & CREW, 17th June, 1942.

1. In confirmation of signal P 19 dated 18th June, 1942 it is desired to confirm the detail is given and advise of the action taken before posting the crew as "Missing".
2. At 0115/Z 17th June, 1942 aircraft A16-132 left on a diverging track search from HUGHES. Datum was DARWIN, tracks  $273^{\circ} T - 430 NM$   $007^{\circ} T - 430 NM$ . Two other aircraft A16-130, P/O ALCOCK, A16-118, P/O SMITH, were engaged on this search with tracks one on the North and one South of the track flown by A16-132.
3. The crew of A16-132 consisted of:-  
Pilot Officer S.S. LONG (403888)  
Pilot Officer G.R. CRAWFORD (403802)  
Pilot Officer G.V. CANTOR (411861)  
401137 Sergeant McGUIRE M.  
411908 Sergeant HAYWARD, L.R.
4. At 0715/Z a signal was originated by A16-132 reading "D" S.O.S. Starboard engine failed coming in on one motor". This signal was received at HUGHES from A.C.H. at 0720/Z. At 0804/Z S.F.A. was received and arrangements made for the machine to land. Fire Tender, Doctor, and Ambulance were present on the aerodrome.
5. Requests were continually made to R.A.F. through A.C.H. for plots, which were eventually proved to be plots of other aircraft. It was estimated that the position of A16-132 at the time of sending its S.O.S. was  $12^{\circ} 00' 128^{\circ} 40' E$ .
6. DARWIN D/ F was unserviceable.
7. Searches were sent out to locate the missing aircraft. The first was ordered on the evening of the 17th JUNE and continued daily till 21st JUNE with negative results.

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Wing Commander,  
Commanding No. 13 Squadron,  
R.A.A.F., NORTHERN TERRITORY.

Commonwealth of Australia



*Caul. 246* P.M. 44

Postmaster-General's Department

Memorandum to

DISTRICT RECORDS  
AIR BOARD  
MELBOURNE C 1

9TH JULY 1942 19

YOUR TELEGRAM LODGED MELBOURNE ON 8TH JULY AT 8/8 PM  
 ADDRESSED TO MR J MCGUIRE 366 ORRONG RD CAULFIELD  
 REFERRING TO SGT MAURICE MAGUIRE  
 WAS DELIVERED AT 10-5 AM 9TH JULY 1942  
~~WAS UNDELIVERED - - PRESENT ADDRESS - NOW~~



*DPS (cas)*

*Donnell*  
POSTMASTER  
*266/532*

*Sgt Maguire*

Sch. C.2840-6/1940.

*Encl. 246  
K49*

SIGNAL OFFICE  
20 JUN 1942

94 CAULFIELD 20 11-40A

1/6 COLLECT AIRBD MELBNE

YR TELEGM ADDSSED MCQUIRE ~~336~~ 366 ORRONG RD. CAULFIELD  
WAS DELIVERED AT 10/45 AM 20TH JUNE . PM

*✓  
MJA*

*Cavalry*

MESSAGE RECEIVED FROM C.I.O.	
TIME	RECEIVER
0207	JOS

*Key*

*266/3326*

*M C Quare*

Em 19A

1728

20 BPSO REPEAT AIRBOARD NORTH WESTERN AREA

13 SQUADRON.

P. 20 7/7

M.132 4/7

*CONFIDENTIAL*  
*please copy*

( IN VIEW OF..? ) CIRCUMSTANCES DISAPPERRANCE THIS AIRCRAFT IT IS BELIEVED P/O B E LONG AND CREW KILLED OFFICIALLY REPORTED.

IMPORTANT

*LAC the Gunn M.*

TO	FROM	SUBJECT	CLASSIFICATION	EXTENSION
TO	FROM	SUBJECT	CLASSIFICATION	EXTENSION
TO	FROM	SUBJECT	CLASSIFICATION	EXTENSION

Lms 18A

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE.  
No.13 Squadron,  
NORTHERN TERRITORY.

24th June, 1942.

Dear Mrs. McGuire,

The accompanying letter was received in the Squadron on 22nd June and it is thought that you may wish to retain the enclosures.

As you have probably been advised, your husband's personal effects have been collected and, on receipt of your instructions through Allied Air H.Q., Melbourne, arrangements will be made as to disposal of them as directed.

I would like to extend to you my personal expressions of sympathy and those of the officers and men of the Squadron.

Yours faithfully,

(Sgd) S. Keen.  
Flight Lieutenant,  
Adjutant, No.13 Squadron,  
R.A.A.F., NORTHERN TERRITORY.

The letter referred to in para 1 is a letter written by Mrs McGuire to her husband and returned to her with the above

J.P. Roberts  
27/7/42



R.A.A.F. HEADQUARTERS MELBOURNE.

2.EPSO

P.118 5/7

IN REPLY TO P.A. 359 27/6

CONFIRMATORY MEMORANDUM DESPATCHED AIRMAIL TODAY PRECIS AS FOLLOWS (.)  
HUDSON A16-132 WITH P/O B E LONG AND CREW LEFT 0115/Z 17/6 ON  
DIVERGING TRACK SEARCH FROM HUGHES (.) A16-138 P/O ALCOCK AND A16-118  
P/O SMITH ALSO ENGAGED ON SEARCH ON TRACK N AND S OF A16-132 (.) AT  
0715 AIRCRAFT SIGNALLED "S O S. STARBOARD ENGINE FAILED COMING IN ON  
ONE MOTOR" ENDS AS 0804/Z ETA RECEIVED (.) RDF PLOTS AND SEARCHES  
FAILED LOCATE AIRCRAFT (.) SEARCHES CONTINUED UNTIL 21/6 (.)

IMPORTANT.

Mr Mac Guire

Encl. 16a

13 SQUADRON REPEAT AIR BOARD NORTH  
WESTERN AREA.

2. E.P.S.O.

M.132 4/7

REFERENCE YOUR MEMO 90 4/23/P1 26/6 PILOT OFFICER B E LONG AND  
OTHERS REPORTED MISSING YOUR P 19 18/6 A.B.O. A1021942 PARA 4.  
PART 2 REQUIRES ADJUSTMENT ACTION BE TAKEN ONLY ON DEATH OR  
DISCHARGE (.) REQUEST ADVISE IF CATEGORY THESE MEMBERS CHANGED  
FROM MISSING TO KILLED TO SUPPORT ADJUSTMENT PROCEEDINGS TAKEN (.)  
CONFIRMATORY MEMORANDUM NOT YET RECEIVED THIS UNIT. (.)

IMPORTANT.

COPY.

*Encl. 15a*

TO  
RAAF MELBOURNE REPEAT NORTH WESTERN AREA  
13 SQUADRON

FROM 2 EPSO

F 109 3/7 IN REPLY TO PA 359 27/6

UNIT ADVISES CONFIRMATORY MEMORANDUM DESPATCHED TO EPSO 3/6 AFTER  
REPEATED REQUESTS FROM EPSO WILL ENDEAVOUR OBTAIN SIGNAL PRECIS FROM  
UNIT PENDING RECEIPT (.) WILL ADVISE (.)

IMPORTANT

Encl. 1ka

13 SQUADRON REPEAT AIR BOARD N.W. AREA

2 B.P.S.O.

M.121 30/6

CASUALTY CONFIRMATORY MEMORANDUM

EXPEDITE REPLY M.114 29/6 (.) M.93 25/6 ORIGINAL REQUEST  
ALSO REFERS.

I M P O R T A N T .

(This signal refers to:-)  
403888 Long, B. E.  
403802 Crawford, G. R.  
911908 Hayward, L. R.  
401137 McGuire, M.  
- - -

COPY.

*Encl. 13a*

2 B.P.S.O.

AIR BOARD.

REFERENCE

YOUR

P. 91

24TH

JUNE

OUR

P.A. 185

26TH

JUNE

(.)

REQUEST

SIGNAL

PRECIS

OF

CONFIRMATORY

MEMORANDUM.

TO	
FROM	
SUBJECT	
CLASSIFICATION	

RECEIVED  
 15 JUN 1951  
 AIR BOARD  
 10

TELETYPE

FOR THE COMMISSIONER OF INFORMATION - ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE

TO			
FROM			
SUBJECT			
CLASSIFICATION			

*Fisher Affair*  
*note the June 18/51*  
*to be removed per*  
*Mildred*

RECEIVED  
 15 JUN 1951  
 AIR BOARD  
 10

TELETYPE

FOR THE COMMISSIONER OF INFORMATION - ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE

50. 11/16

Encl. 12a

10000 in Register

June 24 1942  
366 Oroua Rd  
Canfield Nth

To Whom is in Charge of Information

Dear Sir

I have been informed  
 by mine that my son Maurice  
 Sergeant Pilot McQuire is missing  
 since it is a week now. I  
 + I have had no further news  
 from the Air Board. I have  
 been expecting a letter which  
 I would receive later. I am  
 not complaining about the delay  
 of communication. But I  
 am giving you some peculiar  
 news. For God's sake make  
 use of it. My daughter in Law  
 Maurice's wife had this peculiar  
 dream. She said she got these  
 words in Morse in the dream  
 & took them down.

62 (122)

KALARAMAROO. 700 miles from  
 Darwin Island. 4-60. LATITUDE  
 1 Injured 4 There Cant see plane

She said it was very vivid & she  
should not tell anyone connected with  
the Air Board. But I is mother  
will. She said you might think  
the crazy it might only be  
a dream. I know it is  
funny. But still use it  
of yours

Alexis's Mother

Mrs

E. McQuire

P.S. do not let the usual  
red tape stand in the way





*encl. 10a*

TWO B.P.S.O.  
AIR BOARD P.A.185 23/6

REFERENCE	OUR	P.A.43	19th	june
YOUR	P.59	18th	JUNE	(.)
SIGNAL	ADVICE	FOR	NEK	OF
KIN	ALL	MEMBERS	CONCERNED	ANY
AVAILABLE	INFORMATION	INCLUDING	DATE	AND
PLACE	OF	CASUALTY		

77814 ✓

JUL -8 1942

XXXXXX LA. 5271.

RAAF 163/141/288 (9A)

Dear Sir

This letter is to confirm telegram from this Department dated the 19th June, 1942, informing you that your son, Sergeant Maurice McGuire, is reported to be missing as a result of an operational flight.

The details available at present in this Department are that your son was the second pilot of a Hudson aircraft which was lost while on a patrol flight. It is regretted that neither the cause of the loss nor the date upon which the aircraft became missing is known.

I assure you that any further details received in this Department will be conveyed to you immediately.

Permit me to express the sincere sympathy of the Department in the anxiety you are suffering.

Yours faithfully,

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

Mr. J. McGuire,  
366 Orrong Road,  
NORTH CANLFIELD S.E.7.

*rel 8/0*  
for D.P.S. CASUALTY SECTION  
*25/6*



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 SCANNING THIS ITEM AT A HIGHER RESOLUTION WILL NOT IMPROVE ITS LEGIBILITY.

Encl. 6a

TWO B.P.S.O.

AIR BOARD

P.A. 43 19/6

REFERENCE	P.59	EIGHTEEN	JUNE	(.)
P/O	B.E.	LONG	(403888)	P/O
C.R.C.	GRAFFORD	(403802)	P/O	C.V.
GANTOR	(411861)	SGT.	MCQUIRE	N.
(401137)	SGT.	HAYWARD	L.R.	(411908)
(.)	NEXT	OF	KIS	BEING
INFORMED	ABOVE	MEMBERS	MISSING	(.)

*further details avoided*

*GO Read together  
 All available information 0730 11*

PA 34  
PA 35 Caul. 5a

DELIVERY PERSONAL

MR. J. McGUIRE, 366 ORRONG ROAD, NTH. CAULFIELD, S.E.7, Vic.

AIR BOARD P.A. 34 19/6

REGRET TO INFORM YOU THAT  
YOUR SON SERGEANT MAURICE McGUIRE  
IS REPORTED TO BE MISSING  
WHILST ON AN OPERATIONAL FLIGHT  
(.) ANY FURTHER INFORMATION RECEIVED  
WILL BE IMMEDIATELY CONVEYED TO  
YOU (.) LETTER WILL FOLLOW  
(.)

POST MASTER  
NTH. CAULFIELD  
VIC.

*Mr. Bundelee #*

P.A. 35 19/6 REQUEST ADVISE AIR  
BOARD BY COLLECT URGENT TELEGRAM  
WHEN WAR CASUALTY TELEGRAM ADDRESSED  
TO MR. J. McGUIRE 366  
ORRONG ROAD NTH. CAULFIELD S.E.7  
HAS BEEN DELIVERED

AIR BOARD

NOT IMPORTANT  
*Mr. Bundelee #* *|||||||*

072/12

Serial No.

266/3326

2809

Encl. 4a

1579

1728 6/1942

DIRECTORATE OF PERSONAL SERVICES : CASUALTY SECTION

RECORD OF PARTICULARS OBTAINED FROM O.I./c.RECORDS P/P.25 IN REFERENCE TO THE UNDERMENTIONED AIRMAN.

NO. 401137 RANK Set. NAME McGUIRE Maurice

UNIT 13 Squadron RELIGION R.O.

MUSTERING Pilot ENLISTED 1 R.O. DATE ENLISTED 3.1.41.

DATE OF BIRTH 29.3.19 DATE EMBARKED

NEXT OF KIN wife remarried Father NAME MRS. J. E. GRIFFITH.

ELIGIBLE FOR SCROLL  
N/K: wife has unit bc date  
Flag 3  
78 Alana Road,  
East St. Kilda vic  
Cm 350

General Delivery  
Greenacres, Washington, U.S.A.  
See vol 75A before forwarding further  
communications to above address.  
Vic.

MARRIED SINGLE Yes NO. OF DEPENDANTS

NATURE OF CASUALTY Missing from operational flight.

Received  
Packets

22/5/43  
DEATH PRESUMED w.e.f. 17/6/42

Death presumed after 51

Plan  
note

PLACE Not known by 2 B.P.S.O. DATE Not advised (Aus. Command)

SIGNED V. J. Sladin Cpl.

Cpl. Sladin.

19 / 6 / 1942.

REPATRIATION ACTION TO BE TAKEN.

Checked with REX (New Rston) ... 9/11/43

SIGNED

/ / 194

(JD6/42)

COPY

TO RAAF HQ  
FROM 2 BPSO

F 59 18/6

(A) HUDSON A O E 6/132 (B) 13 SQUADRON (C) NOT ADVISED K UNIT

(.) WILL ADVISE LATER (D) PILOT OFFICER BRIAN EARNEST LONG

43888 (CAPTAIN (.) 40 1137 SGT MCGUIRE MAURICE (SECOND PILOT)

PILOT OFFICER GORDON ROBERT CRAWFORD 40380 2 (OBSERVER) PILOT OFFICER

COLIN VIVIAN CANTOR 411861 411908 SGT HAYWARD LAURENCE REX ALL MISSING

PARTICULARS UNKNOWN (.) (E) UNKNOWN (F) STARBOARD ENGINE FAILED

WHILE ON PATROL FURTHER PARTICULARS UNKNOWN (CAUSE?) KOBEYS

UNKNOWN (H) NEXT OF KIN AS FOLLOWS (.) FOR PILOT OFFICER LONG STEPMOTHER

MRS. E.G. LONG CARE MRS. J. MUNRO 33 POWELL STREET KILLARA N.S.W.

FOR PILOT OFFICER CRAWFORD FATHER JOSEPH CRAWFORD ESQ FACWETTS

PLAIN KYOGLE N.S.W. FOR PILOT OFFICER CANTOR MOTHER MRS. M. CANTOR

NUMBER 7 779 MALVERN ROAD TOORAK VICTORIA FOR SGT MCGUIRE FATHER

MCGUIRE 366 ORRONG ROAD CAULFIELD VICTORIA FOR SGT HAYWARD MOTHER

MRS MARY BRIDGET HOLLOWAY 12 DIGGERS AVENUE GLADESVILLE N.S.W.

(1) KINNOT (.) ACKNOWLEDGE

IMPORTANT.

163 141 288  
CASUALTY SECTION  
AIR FORCE HEAD-QUARTERS  
MELBOURNE.

*Encl 2A*

DVA Records.

Serial No. 733.  
Date 4. 8. 41

NOTIFICATION OF CASUALTY.

To: D. Section  
A.2 R.E.4  
A.3 R.E.5  
R.E.3 R.E.2

<u>Number</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>Name</u> (M.)	<u>Unit</u>
401137.	1ab.	McLuire, Mo	15F.T.S.

Date of Casualty 2/8/41 Place 2 Miles East of You Yans.

Nature of Casualty Shock and injury to hand  
Aircraft accident.

for J.F. Kruger O/O  
Flight Lieutenant.  
(D.P.S.) CASUALTY SECTION.

(P474/41)

COZY SW.

McGUIRE. M  
Encl 1A.

To,  
I T S Repeat AIR BOARD

From,  
1 SFTS

D23 2/8 FLYING CASUALTY REPORTED AS FOLLOWS A() WIRRAWAY A20-268  
AND WIRRAWAY A20-269 (B) BOTH A T S 1 SFTS (C) TWO MILES  
EAST OF YOU YANS 2/8 0935 HOURS (D) A20-268 PILOT 401137 L A C  
McGUIRE MORRIS COURSE 1OP SUFFERING FROM SHOCK INJURY TO HAND DUTY  
FORMATION FLYING NEXT OF KIN NOT INFORMED A20-269 PILOT 407785 L A C  
FALLON COLIN COURSE 1OP BRUISES AND ABRASIONS DUTY FORMATION FLYING  
NEXT OF KIN NOT INFORMED (E) A20-268 PASSENGER 407779 L A C BROCK  
HALLCOMBE GEORGE COURSE 1OP KILLED NEXT OF KIN BEING NOTIFIED NAME  
OF NEXT OF KIN MRS MAUD JOSEPHINE BROCK 11 SOUTH TERRACE SEMAPHORE  
SOUTH AUST A20-269 PASSENGER 407792 L A C HILL JOLINE DISTON COURSE  
1OP BRUISES AND ABRASIONS NEXT OF KIN NOT NOTIFIED (F) COLLISION  
IN MID AIR (G) COLLIDED WHILE CHANGING POSITION IN FORMATION  
BOTH AIRCRAFT CRASHING L A C McGUIRE L A C FALLON AND LAC HILL  
ESCAPING BY PARACHUTE (H) BOTH AIRCRAFT TOTALLY DESTROYED A20-269  
BEING BURNT

T O O 1130