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KILVINGTON, LESLIE

413312

AUSTRALIAN ARCHIVES
ACCESS STATUS

OPEN

AW. 221/220² (D.F.C.)

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE

OFFICERS AND AIRCREW

Missing 21-1-44

P.O.W. 9-3-44

Safe 28/5/45

The following Biographical details are required for use at R.A.A.F. Overseas Headquarters, LONDON, :-

Surname..... KILVINGTON. Number..... POC. 413312.

Christian Names..... LESLIE

Air Force Rank and Mustering..... P/O.

Degrees, Decorations, etc..... NIL. DFC.

Present Appointment and Location..... RARE/RPC/BOURNEMOUTH.

Date of Birth..... 11.3.23 Place..... LIVERPOOL/ENGLAND

Educated..... ONE YEAR FROM MATRICULATION.

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Date of Entering Service..... 18.8.41.

Previous Service Experience..... NIL.

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Places of Training..... N.R.

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Civilian Career and Activities..... WHOLESALE FRUIT EXAMINER.

RUBBER WORK. CUSTOMS CLERK, FANCING CONTRACTORS.

BOUNDARY RIDER.

Clubs, Recreations, etc..... WALLASEY SCHOOL BOYS SOCCER CLUB.

SWIMMING.

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Father..... ERNEST KILVINGTON

Wife..... N.R.

Children..... N.R.

Home Address..... 29, SOUTHCROFT RD. WALLASEY, CHESHIRE.

ENGLAND.

Signature..... R. Kilvington

Date..... 4.11.42.

Date Embarked..... 23.10.42.

Destination..... U.K.

PRO. FORM.
P/R. 5.

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE.

Overseas Headquarters,
Kodak House,
Kingsway, W.C.2.

SECRET & CONFIDENTIAL.

The following biographical details are required for R.A.A.F.

Historical Records, Overseas Headquarters. These forms are to be filled in and returned to the Officer Commanding Repatriation Disposal Section, No.11 (R.A.A.F) P.D.R.C.

NAME (in full).....KILVINGTON..... NUMBER.....413312.....

RANK AND MUSTERING.....FL. PILOT..... DECORATIONS.....D.F.C......

NUMBER I.T.S. COURSE.....19..... O.T.U. - A.F.U. etc.....

DATE LEFT AUSTRALIA).....20.3.42.....
CANADA).....35.10.42..... DATE OF ARRIVAL U.K. 9.11.42.....
STH. AFRICA).....

SQUADRONS.....103.....156.....

AIRCRAFT FLOWN.....LANCASTER.....WELLINGTON.....OXFORD.....

COMMAND & TYPE OF ACTIVITY.....BOMBER.....P.F.F......

OPERATIONS OR TRAINING WITH AMERICAN PERSONNEL, SQUADRONS, OR AIRCRAFT.....NIL.....

DETAILS OF OPERATIONS - with dates: to be given as fully as possible under the following applicable headings;

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| (a) Number Operational Hours | (b) Number Operational Sorties, Day-night. |
| (c) Targets attacked. | (d) Attacks on enemy surface vessels - type, size, etc. |
| (e) Attacks on enemy submarines. | (g) Outstanding sorties or incidents. |
| (f) Combats with enemy aircraft. | (i) Personnel in Photographic Reconnaissance Unit, Transport Command, etc., should give a brief report of their work. |
| (h) Other Australians in crews. | |

(a) 270..... (b) 35 - NIGHT.....
(c) Berlin (8), Munich, Kassel, Hamm, Frankfurt
Cologne, Dusseldorf, Leipzig.....

(h) F/Lt. Staley, F.W.C. D.T.C......

DATE.....3.7.45..... SIGNATURE.....L. Staley.....
(use other side, or attach extra sheets, if necessary)

DFC

8/1/44

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Acting Flight Lieutenant Leslie KILVINGTON, R.A.A.F., No. 156 Squadron.

This officer has set a fine example of determination and devotion to duty throughout his tour of operations which has included several attacks on Berlin. On a recent occasion, on the outward flight of a sortie, with targets in this city as the objective, his aircraft was hit by anti-aircraft fire. Although damage was sustained, Flight Lieutenant Kilvington went on to the target which he attacked with accuracy. He has displayed commendable courage and keenness.