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MOSS, KENNETH MURRAY

419559

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The following biographical details are requested for use at R.A.A.F. Overseas Headquarters, London.

Surname... MOSS Number AWA 19559

Christian Names... KENNETH MURRAY

Air Force Rank & Mustering... Sgt Pilot A/P/LT

Degrees, Decorations etc... DFC

Present appointment & Location... Pilot 11 P.D.R.C. R.A.A.F.

Date of Birth... 8-10-1922 Place NUMURKAH

Educated... Melbourne C of E Grammar School

Date of entering service... 26-8-1942

Previous Service Experience... 9 months AUST. MILITARY FORCES

Places of training in R.A.A.F. No 1 I.T.S. Downer NO 11 F.T.S. Benalla No 7 F.T.S. Bendigo

Civilian Career & Activities... Bank clerk

Clubs, Recreations etc... Aust. Bankers, Football, tennis, cricket

Father's Name... F. G. MOSS

Wife's Name...

Children...

Home Address... P.O. Box No. 27, NUMURKAH, vic., AUST.

Signature... K. Moss

Date... 5-9-43

Date Rebased Australia 22-6-43

Destination Switzerland United Kingdom 4-9-43

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NAME (in full) Moss, Kenneth Murray NUMBER Aus 419559

RANK AND MATRINUM F/Lt P1403 DECORATIONS D.F.C.

NUMBER I.T.S. COURSE 32 O.T.U. - A.P.U. etc.

DATE LEFT AUSTRALIA 22.6.43 DATE OF ARRIVAL U.K. 4.9.43
CANADA }
SOUTH AFRICA }

SQUADRONS H.66 Sqdn

AIRCRAFT FLOWN Halifax Liberator

COMMAND & TYPE OF ACTIVITY Bomber Transport

OPERATIONS OR TRAINING WITH AMERICAN PERSONNEL, SQUADRONS, OR AIRCRAFT

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

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

(A) 209 hrs (B) 17 Day 20 Night

(C) 09/44 Le Havre 1/0 Kiel, 1/0 Boulogne 23/0, 25/0 Calais, 26/0 Bas. Pict. Bay, 30/0 Brest, 6/0 Dunkirk, 1/0 Kler, 9/0 Bochum, 2/0 Essen, 29/0 Domburg, 30/0 Cologne, 31/0 Cologne, 4/0 Bochum, 6/0 Rotterdam, 14/0 Friburg, 21/0 Dunkirk, 30/0 Duisburg, 4/2 Haguen, 5/2 Dant, 13/2 Duisburg, 30/2 Cologne, 14/05 Dortmund, 7/0 Hannover, 6/0 Hanover, 7/0 Saarbrücken, 16/0 Hagelburg, 29/0 Metzger, 7/0 Bohlen, 14/2 Chemnitz, 2/2 Adonis, 27/2 Bremen, 24/2 Kamen, 27/3 Cologne, 3/3 Kamen, 7/3 Hemmingstad,

(F) 5/9/42 attacks 9/44 3 attacks by ME109 in T.A. 5/11/45 2 attacks by FW190, 7/3/45 one attack by FW190.

(H) B.A. 7/0 R.A. Cook N.A. 7/0 N.B. Anderson Jop 7/0 A.K. Watson 9/0 7/0 D. Brickwood

DATE 20.10.45

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DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS

ACTING FLIGHT LIEUTENANT KENNETH MURRAY MOSS(419559) 466 Sqdn. RAAF.

Gazetted 17.7.45.

This officer has completed in numerous operations against the enemy in the course of which he has displayed the utmost courage, fortitude and devotion to duty.

Personal file - F/lt. K. A. Moss

FOR AUSTRALIAN PAPERS

25.2.45

AIR MINISTRY NEWS SERVICE

AIR MINISTRY BULLETIN NO. 17676

AUSTRALIANS ATTACK KAMEN OIL PLANT

An Australian Halifax squadron working with R.A.F. Bomber Command was in yesterday's daylight attack on the synthetic oil plant at Kamen, near Dortmund.

"On the way out the weather was perfect," said F/Sgt. R. Johnson, a gunner from Melbourne. "It looked as though we would be able to see the target and bomb visually. But our luck deserted us when we got near the target and we had to bomb by instruments."

Another gunner, F/Sgt. V. Bullen, of Korang, Victoria, seemed quite disappointed at not seeing the Luftwaffe. "Not an enemy fighter could be seen," he said, "but as far as the eye could see were Allied aircraft heading towards Germany, and still far above us we could see the vapour trails of our own Spitfires and Mustangs."

419539 ^m Flight Lt. K. A. Moss, ^{46689m} a pilot from Numurkah, Victoria, expressed surprise at the weakness of the defences. "We naturally expect some trouble over the Ruhr and as a rule we got it," he said, "but to-day there were just a few stray puffs to starboard with odd patches of bursting flak in the distance."

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