

Harry Edwin Warren

Sergeant Wireless Op./Air Gunner 156 Sqdn., Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve.

Service Number 1028640,

Died on 28 August 1943 Age 31

Buried St. Pierre Cemetery, Amiens

Inscription 'Our saviours came not back tonight, themselves they could not save'

<https://www.cwgc.org/find-records/find-war-dead/casualty-details/2847257/HARRY%20EDWIN%20WARREN/>

Son of Muriel Warren, and stepson of R. Roper, of Thetford, Norfolk.

Muriel A Clarke married Henry A Warren in 1910 registered in Mitford RD (Norfolk) in the September quarter of that year.

On the 1911 Census they are living on Norwich Road, Henry is aged 28 occupation a Furnishing Salesman. Muriel is aged 18. Both were born in Thetford.

Harry was born in 1911 his birth registered in Thetford RD in the December quarter.

Harry's father Henry died the same year his death being registered in Norwich RD in the December quarter.

His mother, Muriel then remarried to Robert Roper, registered in Thetford RD in the September quarter of 1913.

In 1939 Harry's parents were living in Thetford, address the Market Place

Robert Roper was a master Butcher also there was Harry's mother Muriel, a half-brother Ernest (born 2/7/1917), and half-sister Mary (born 24/8/1920).

I know nothing about Harry's early life, but he enlisted in the RAF at Padgate in Cheshire, between September 1939 and February 1940. He was subsequently trained as a Wireless operator and Air Gunner

In 1941 Harry married Olive M Jacques of Gedling. Registered in the Basford RD in the September quarter of that year.

In 1939 Olive M. (born 25/9/1915) was living with her parents at 'Wynstead' Waverley Avenue Gedling, her occupation is 'sales for a camp and sports supplier'.



Harry died on active service on 28 August 1943. He is buried in the Saint Pierre Cemetery, Amiens France.

His last flight was from RAF Warboys (Cambridgeshire) taking off at 21.07 hours on August 27th Flying in a Lancaster 111 No. EE177 GT for an operation to Nurenberg.

The crew were, F/O John. Nesden, Sgt. Charles.Francis. Webb, P/O Albert Edward. Emans, Sgt. Richard.Coombe.Mason, Sgt Harry Edwin.Warren, Sgt Donald John. Atkinson and Sgt. Harry.Keith. Hollidge

The Lancaster crashed at Raincheval, Department: Somme- 20 KMs NNE of Amiens where whole crew buried in St Pierre Cemetery

For photographs and details of this cemetery and Harry's gravestone please see the website

<https://www.findagrave.com/cemetery/2176838/saint-pierre-cemetery?>

Harry is also remembered on the Thetford War memorial.

Probate 1944

Warren Harry Edwin of Wynstead Waverley Avenue Gedling Nottinghamshire died 28 August 1943 on war service. Administration Nottingham 4 September to Olive Mary Warren, widow. Effects £940 1s 6d.