



WALTER NELSON AULD

J/18662

Pilot/Officer

Personal affairs.

Walter Nelson Auld is born on May 19th 1917 in Calgary. He was not married and lived with his parents in Calgary, 824-14th Avenue, West. He was the son of Wallace Chapman Auld en Nettie Emelia Nelson, who married April 5th 1916. His father was owner of a mine. He had one younger brother D.C. Auld, who also served the R.C.A.F. "overseas", R/103833. He had two younger sisters Margaret Grace Falck(lived in Regina) and Shirley Jean Auld. When he was 14 years old he left Public School, after that 4 years High School and 2 years Institute of Technics and Arts, all in Calgary. He reached Senior Matriculation and Grade 12. Until his enlistment in August 1941 he worked for one year at Brotherston Elec. and two years at B.A. Oil Refinery(both in Calgary). He repaired electric devices. He had no special hobbies, his favorite sports was motor-cycling. Moderately he practiced also hockey, swimming, diving, skying and skating.



Military affairs.

He was enlisted on August 1st 1941 in the Royal Canadian Air Force in Calgary. His training and education he got subsequently until September 19th 1941 in Calgary, until January 3rd 1942 in Brandon, Manitoba until February 28th 1942 in Dafoe, Saskatchewan until June 6th 1942 in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan until June 21st 1942 in Portage la Prairie, Manitoba until August 15th 1942 in Regina, Saskatchewan until December 29th 1942 in Yorkton, Saskatchewan. Then via Halifax, Nova Scotia to Great Britain.

On September 25th 1944 he died because his aircraft was shot down on a shipping raid in the Marsdiep near Den Helder. He is temporarily buried at Cemetery Huisduinen, Den Helder, Sh/2A, MR978885. October 6th 1945 he is reburied at the Canadian War Cemetery in Bergen op Zoom, Plot 08, row F, grave 05.

Remarks.

- On his tombstone is written: "Always remembered by his parents, brother and sisters in Calgary, Alberta".
- He received: 39-45 Star, Atlantic Star, Defence Medal, General Service Medal, Operational Wings and the Canadian Volunteer Service Medal and Clasp
- Total wages in 3 years and nearly 2 months active service are 613,89\$ (Canadian).
- Not via Google and not of the service file in the Ancestry any additional information about Walter Nelson Auld is found.
- Walter's plane (Bristol Beaufighter, TF.X, NE776, NE-N, RAF 143 Sqdn) lift off in North Coates, Engeland on September 25th 1944 at 14.55 hours for an anti-shipping" raid above the Marsdiep near Den Helder. It was shot down at 17.30 hours and crashed in the Marsdiep.
- Names, service numbers of the crew members:

Pilot /Officer W.N. Auld (RCAF)	J/86621
Navigator G.T. Oldbury (RAF)	1580014

The body of Oldbury has never been found. He is commemorated at the Runnymede Memorial in Egham, Engeland.
The body of Auld washed ashore on October 3rd 1944 near Ewijksluis, Anna Paulowna, Noord-Holland and is buried on the Canadian War Cemetery at Bergen op Zoom, 08-F-05.



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