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## Pearce, Bowyer Frederick

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### A West Australian railway employee killed while on military service for his country



Memorial at Railway Workshops Midland (D.Graham/panoramio)

**Rail employment information**

Employer: Western Australian Government Railways

Branch: Traffic

Designation: Clerk

Rail employment notes: Born 4/8/1914. Joined WAGR 22/1/1934 aged 19 as Junior Worker, Traffic Branch, Perth. Transferred to Narrogin 23/4/1934 and appointed Clerk 4/5/1935. Transferred to Perth 31/3/1936 and North Fremantle 16/4/1936.

Enlisted in RAAF 17/8/1940. Accidentally killed 11/10/1942.

**Military service information**

Conflict: Second World War 1939-1945

Service: Royal Australian Air Force

Military unit: No.113 Squadron (RAF)

Service number: 406168

Date of death: 11 October 1942

Place of death: India

Rank at time of death: Warrant Officer

Age: 28

Buried/commemorated: Delhi War cemetery, Delhi, India

Enlisted in RAAF 17/8/1940. Accidentally killed 11/10/1942.

**Additional/personal information:**

Further information and/or photos may be added as available. Information may also be found on the Australian War Memorial website: *https://www.awm.gov.au/advanced-search/people*

Abbreviations: WAGR= Western Australian Government Railways (& Tramways at some periods); MRWA= Midland Railway of Western Australia; BDM=Western Australian Registrar of Births, Deaths and Marriages website; AWM=Australian War Memorial (Canberra and website); CWGC= Commonwealth War Graves Commission (including website). DVA=Department of Veterans' Affairs (including website)

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