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

Illingworth, Edward Hope

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

Rail employment information

Employer: Western Australian Government Railways

Branch: Traffic

Designation: Clerk

Rail employment notes: Born 19/7/1919. Joined WAGR 11/5/1936 aged 16 as Junior Clerk, Traffic Branch, Narrogin. Appointed Clerk 19/1/1940. Enlisted in RAAF 3/2/1941. Killed in aircraft accident in Victoria 21/5/1942.

Military service information

Conflict: Second World War 1939-1945

Service: Royal Australian Air Force

Military unit: No.2 Air Observers School

Service number: 406619

Date of death: 21 May 1942

Place of death: Mount Ararat, Victoria

Rank at time of death: Flight Sergeant

Buried/commemorated: Melbourne General Cemetery, Carlton, Melbourne, Victoria, Australia

Enlisted in RAAF 3/2/1941. Killed in aircraft accident in Victoria 21/5/1942.

Additional/personal information:

Born 19/7/1919 in Narrogin, Western Australia. Not married

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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