

In Memoriam

Flight Lieutenant Arnold Roseland

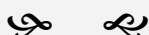
Arnold W. Roseland

Flight Lieutenant

442 Squadron

Royal Canadian Air Force

Age 28



Arnold Walter Roseland was born in Youngstown, Alberta but raised and educated in Okotoks. He enlisted in 1939 and graduated from SFTS, Uplands Field, Ottawa in 1941, and attended officer's and instructor's training at Trenton. Arnold first served on west coast patrol duty and as an instructor before being sent to the Aleutians where he received the U.S. Air Medal.

Arnold went overseas in January 1944. He took part in D-Day operations and his overseas tour was almost complete when he was reported missing on July 13, 1944. He was 28. It was later learned that his Spitfire was shot down over the small Normandy village of St. Martin de Mailloc, after he was caught in a dogfight with about a dozen German fighter planes. The villagers buried him in their cemetery under an anonymous marker. After the war, Canadian military authorities retrieved the body and placed it in the Bretteville-Sur-Laize Canadian War Cemetery at Calvados, France. He was 28.

