

20 Leading Aircraftman (U/T Pilot) Ronald Grenville Hughes, RAFVR Service Number 1169220 d 30/03/1941

In spite of assiduous research in local newspaper archives, and on the internet, I have been unable to find information about this death. It could possibly have been by his own hand or more likely an accident, though whether a flying accident, a service accident, or a e.g. road accident I cannot tell.



PROUD AND TREASURED MEMORY OF OUR BELOVED SON
1169220 L.A.C. **RONALD GRENVILLE HUGHES**
AIR CADET R.A.F., V.R.
KILLED ON ACTIVE SERVICE 30 – 3 - 41
AGED 19 YEARS
WE'LL MEET AGAIN
ONLY FOREVER

Aged 19; Son of Walter Grenville Hughes and Selina May Hughes, of Barrow-in-Furness.

The 'U/T' pilot means that he was a pilot under training.

The address given in the Rampside Burial Book is Central Police Station, Barrow.

He is not listed in Cumbria BMD, so his death wasn't registered in the Barrow/Dalton area. I cannot find him on the national Free BMD either.

Ancestry

Mother's maiden name Dodding.

Birth registered Jul – Sep 1921

In the 1911 Census Selena May Dodding (13) was living at 61 North Row, Roose, with her father James (39), a Paper Pulp Works General Labourer, her step-mother Jane (38); sister Jane Agnes (10); step-brother Richard Kendall (8), and step-sister Doris Kendall (7).

In 1901 they had been living at 26 Vernon St, when James was a Railway Plate Layer, his first wife Emily was still alive, and Selena was mistakenly recorded as Celia.

Cumbria BMD

Walter G Hughes married Selina Dodding at St Michael's Church, Rampside in 1920.

They had 2 children: Ronald Grenville 1921 & Alan 1929.

Walter G. Hughes died 1953