

Remembering in Westmount: James Stewart Coulter



Introduction

James Stewart Coulter, was born on the 15th of December in 1919. He went to school at Westmount High. Coulter went to fight in World War 2 soon after he graduated.

Unfortunately he passed at the age of 22 in the Dieppe Raid.

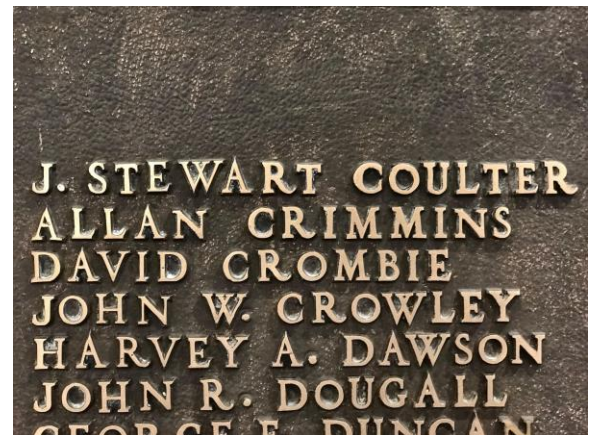
Role and Duties

He fought in the war with the position of Flight Lieutenant in the 408th Squadron with the Royal Canadian Air Force (RCAF). A flight lieutenant is reached after 2.5 years of commissioning in the air force. It is ranked above flying officer and below the squadron leader. One's rank of flight lieutenant is never shortened to just lieutenant. Flight lieutenant is the most common ranking in the RAF.

Battle Details and Passing

The Dieppe raid was a battle over the Northern Coast of France on the 19th of August 1942.

Over 5000 Canadian soldiers took part in the battle, including the RCAF. James Stewart Coulter was pronounced missing in action (MIA) and was assumed dead on August 12th of 1942. James' body was never recovered and therefore could not be properly buried. Although him and countless others who fought and lost their lives fighting for the Allies did not receive their own funerals their memory and contribution to the war effort was noticed and respected. The



Runnymede Memorial in Surrey, United Kingdom honors a total of 20287 people who died during the war. Of these James Stewart Coulter's name can be found to this day.

Life Prior to War

The son of William Stewart Coulter and Pearl Wilson Coulter lived with his family in Westmount, Quebec.

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