Phillip L. Gurd

1918-1941

About:

Philip Leslie Gurd was born on December 7th 1918 in Quebec, Canada to Walter Gurd and Norah Pedley Gurd. Philip grew up in Westmount, QUEBEC, and even attended Westmount High School

Facts about his life before the war:

Before the war started, Philip was a graduate of Westmount High School and lived his life in Montreal with his three brothers David, Walter, and Hugh Gurd (who also served in the war). After he graduated, Philip enrolled at McGill University in commerce, he even was the president of the Theta Delta Chi fraternity. He had his whole life ahead of him, however he left his second year at McGill to enlist in the war instead.

How he was killed:

December 11 1941

Unfortunately, there is not much information on how he was killed, however we do know he was a pilot and he was killed in action due to an air operation somewhere over Germany

Duties during War:

Philip served in the Royal Canadian Air Force, but he also served in Britain's Royal Air Force. He was a pilot of a bomber aircraft. His duties were to properly fly the plane. He was in the Air Force for 15 months and he spent 3 and a half years in England.



Rank: Sergeant (petty officer second class)

Unit: Royal Canadian Air Force

Burial Site: England St. Nicholas Church





Battle duties:

Unfortunately, we do not know what battle Philip fought in, we do know what battles were happening that day.

- Around that time, British battlecruisers and battleships were sunk in a Japanese air attack
- Around this time Canada declared war on Japan.

