

William "Bill" Alfred Parsley



Image of William "Bill" Alfred Parsley

William "Bill" Alfred Parsley was born March 16, 1913, at Montreal, in the province of Quebec. His father was William Herbert Parsley who was a train operator. His mother was Rose Dodd. Both of his parents were from Ontario that moved to Montreal. Bill went to Westmount High school in his teens. After graduating, he became a clerk. On October 23, 1941, he enlisted into the military for the Air Force. Around this time, his parents were both dead. He only had his sister named John Alexander McKay.

Image of William Parsley in his uniform

On January 24, 1944, William Parsley along with his crew went to Magdeburg, Germany to bomb a target. The plane that the crew were on lost communication and went missing. They were never found. Now buried in the Berlin 1939-1945 war cemetery.

Service Number: R/135211

Force: Air Force

Unit: Royal Canadian Air Force

Division: 97 (R.A.F.) Sqdn.

Sources:

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