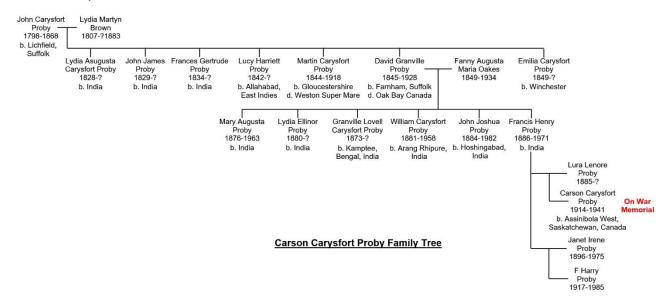
Carson Carysfort Proby – Family History

The Proby family were much travelled, as can be seen from the birthplaces of its personnel listed on the family tree below. His connection with Litton Cheney and, hence, his appearance on the War Memorial has proved difficult to find.



Carson Carysfort Proby was born in 1914 in Saskatchewan, Canada, the son of Frank Henry and Luva Lenore Proby of Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada.

During the war he was a Flying Officer in 413 Squadron RCAF, Service No. 41321. He died on the 22nd of October 1941 when his Catalina AH566 was shot down by a German Blum & Voss 138 Flying Boat, about 85 nautical miles NW of Molde, Norway, whilst on a special reconnaissance mission.

His body was never recovered for burial. He is commemorated on the Royal Air Force Memorial at Runnymede.



A PBY Catalina Flying Boat

PBY Catalina was an American and Canadian-built flying boat of the 1930s and 1940s. *PB* stands for Patrol Bomber, with Y being Consolidated Aircraft's manufacturer identification. It could be equipped with depth charges, bombs, torpedoes, and .50 calibre machine guns and was one of the most widely used multi-role aircraft of World War II. The PBY Catalina was the most successful flying boat ever produced. First flown in March 1935, they were in production for over ten years and were designed and built by the American aircraft manufacturers, Consolidated Aircraft of San Diego, California.

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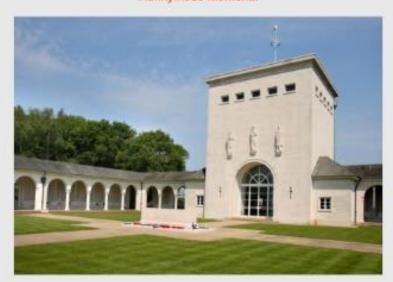
Flying Officer

Carson Carysfort Proby

41321, 413 (R.C.A.F.) Sqdn., Royal Air Force who died on 22 October 1941 Age 27

Son of Frank Henry and Luva Lenore Proby, of Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada.

Remembered with Honour Runnymede Memorial





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