

JUDIESCH, F/L John F. (J/85067), RCAF [pilot]

Military training in Dauphin, Manitoba (July 1942)

Posted to #428 Ghost Squadron. Date?

xx December 1943, Halifax NA-E, Operations - Leipzig

xx December 1943, Halifax NA-E, Operations - Frankfurt

Flight with C. G. Ford:

28 December 1943, Halifax NA-E, fighter affiliation (2:00 day), passenger F/Sgt Judiesch

29 December 1943, Halifax NA-E, Operations - Berlin

06/07 March 1944

F/Sgt J. Judiesch landed at Upper Heyford on return.

Flew 41 missions out of Middleton-St.-George, lead pilot on 38 missions.

His roughest trip was July 28, 1944 to Hamburg, 6 Group suffered losses of 22 aircraft

Active service ended 16 September 1945

Graduated from Ontario Veterinary College in 1950

Set up practice in Swift Current, Saskatchewan, as the flying veterinarian in south-west Saskatchewan (used his small plane for many calls to remote ranches)

He passed away at the age of 81 on 24 April 2001 in Swift Current.

Widow alive and living in Swift Current as of 19 December 2011.

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