Archibald Sinclair ROBERTS (1909 – 1941)



746816, Air Gunner
Archibald Sinclair
ROBERTS
RAF
214 Squadron
8th January 1941
Age 32

JUST A LOVING MEMORY OF ONE WE HELD SO DEAR HIS MEMORY WE WILL TREASURE THROUGHOUT THE PASSING YEARS

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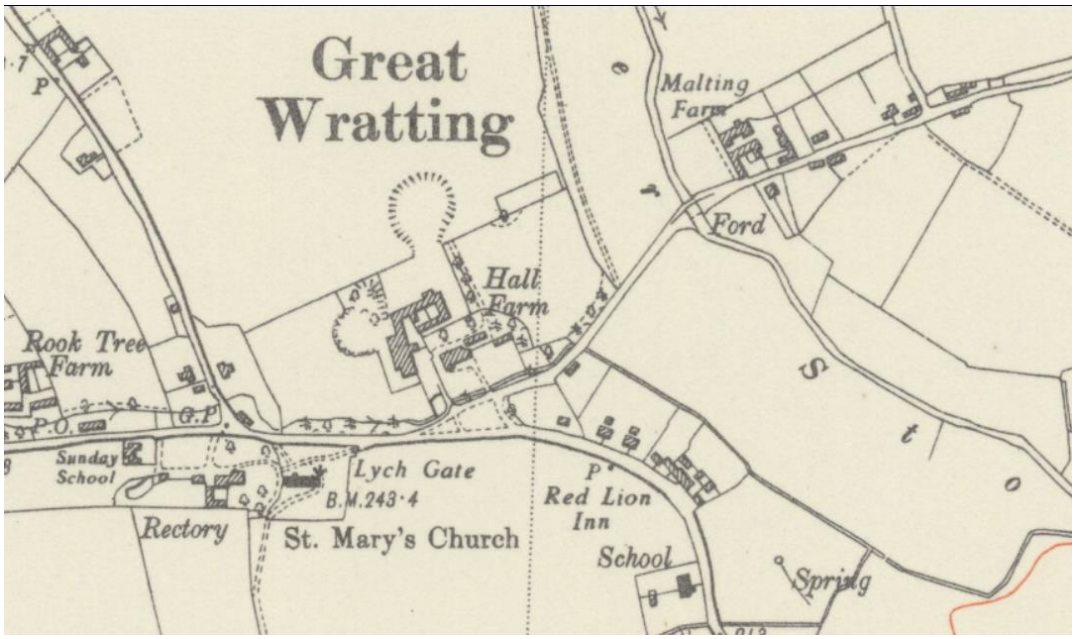
Archibald Sinclair ROBERTS, was the son of Henry Charles and Sarah Sinclair Roberts, of Glasgow.

On 8 January 1941, P/O Tom Eric Timmins was the pilot of the Wellington IC T2956 of 214 Sqn RAF, based at R.A.F. Stradishall, Suffolk, which was undergoing an Air Test with a full crew of six. The crew members were Sgt Archibald Sinclair Roberts, Sgt Ronald Cain, Sgt William Edward Griswold, Sgt Peter Robert Peart, P/O Tom Eric Timmins and P/O Charles Norman Walker.

The aircraft was returning to base in bad weather after undertaking a fuel consumption test. According to the Operations Record Book it was cloudy with occasional slight snow, changing to slight rain during the afternoon. Visibility was very poor with fog in the afternoon. It is believed that

the wings of the aircraft iced up while flying in cloud and crashed at 12:40 just missing Great Wratting Church before impacting on land across the road.





All the crew perished in the crash and were interred in their home towns, apart from Sergeant (Air Gunner) Archibald S. Roberts from Glasgow who lies in Haverhill Cemetery. He was buried in Section U Grave 134.