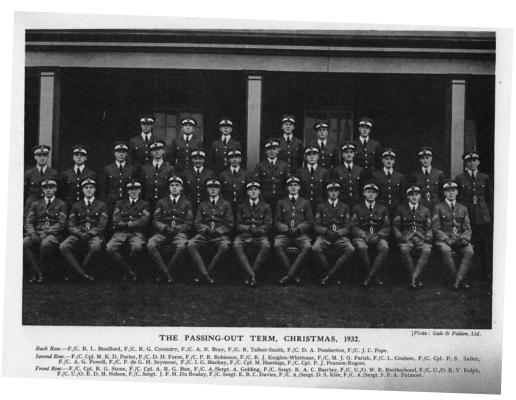
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Pemberton, David Alwyne (J31 Entry, C Squadron)



Pemberton was born in Stratford-on-Avon in 1912 and educated at Stowe School. He entered the RAF College, Cranwell in January 1931 as a Flight Cadet. On graduation in December 1932, he joined 99 Squadron at Upper Heyford.

In March 1934, Pemberton was posted to HQ Palestine and Transjordan in Jerusalem. He returned to the UK in September 1936 and was supernumerary at 1 RAF Depot Uxbridge, until posted to the staff of 601 Squadron, Auxiliary Air Force on 22 July 1937.

Pemberton was appointed a Flying Examining Officer at 26 (Training) Group on 16 September 1938.

In 1940, he was serving with HQ 67 Wing in France and on 23 May, he took command of 1 Squadron. The squadron was withdrawn to Tangmere on 17 June.

On 16 August, Pemberton claimed a He111 destroyed. His Hurricane, P2751, was set alight by return fire in this engagement, but he returned safely to Northolt. On the 18th, Pemberton destroyed a Me109.

He was awarded the DFC (gazetted 1st October 1940).

At dawn on 3 November 1940, Pemberton was flying back from Collyweston to Wittering in Hurricane I P2751. He was killed when he slow-rolled and flew into the ground. Pemberton was 28. He is buried in the churchyard of St. Eadburgh at Broadway, Worcestershire.