

HENWICK, Roylance A.

“Roy” “Dutch” “Dutchy”

B: 1 August 1921 Kimberly, ZA

D: 13 May 2009 Zelhem, NL



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Hometown: Mafeking, Transvaal Province, South Africa

Rank: Captain

MOS: N/A

Unit: 334th Fighter Squadron

Aircraft:

None assigned; flew QP-D (2 different a/c) on 6 of his missions. Flying QP-M when he went down in Holland.

4th Service: 20 July 1944 – 25 October 1944

SAAF Hurricane pilot on DS with 4th via exchange program from No. 80 Squadron RAF.

28 missions

25 SEP 44 Lost section in poor visibility after strafing rail targets. Unable to locate rest of the squadron and with R/T u/s, he set course for home, running out of fuel near Antwerp. Picked up by elements of the Maquis and F.F.I. They provided transport to Paris by rail, where a flight back to England was arranged.

15 OCT 44 Represented 334 in affiliation flights with RAF Gloster Meteor jets.

Victories:

None with 4th

Post 4th Fighter Group:

OCT 44 Reported to No. 3 TEU (Tactical Exercise Unit), transitioned to Tempests.

FEB 45 Returned to No. 80 Squadron, RAF No. 2 Group

20 APR 45 Promoted to Major

1945 Assigned to UDF Admin HQ UK (SAAF)

17 FEB 46 Discharged from the SAAF

Decorations:

Distinguished Flying Cross (British), Air Medal (American), 1939-45 Star, Africa Star, Italy Star, France & Germany Star, 1939-45 War Medal, Defense Medal, African Service Medal.