

Stanley James Honour
Flight Sergeant in the Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve 103 Squadron
Service number 1319886
Age 23

Stanley was born in July 1921 at Droxford Hampshire, the son of Percy Eli – known as Eli, and Amy.

Percy Eli Honour aged 26 married Amy Elizabeth Mylward aged 23 at Alton in Hampshire in early 1911. At the census of that year, they were living at Bishops Waltham where Eli was a railway porter with LSW railway. They moved to a new address in Bishop's Waltham and lived there for at least ten years from 1921. By 1939 Percy Eli was a signaller for Southern Railway and the family were living in East St, Corfe Castle.

Percy Eli and Amy had four sons. Stanley was the third born.

Percy Eli died in 1969 and Amy died in 1970.

Stanley James was an air bomber, flying in a Lancaster serial number PB147 – all seven crew are buried at Charmes military cemetery

They took off at just after 9pm on 28 July 1944 on a night raid from Elsham Wolds, heading for Stuttgart. They crashed at Charmes (Vosges) having been shot down, where all are buried in the town's Essegney Military cemetery. Stanley's date of death is recorded as 29th July, so presumably they were on the way home when they were shot down.

The inscription on Stanley's headstone reads:- THE LORD IS MY SHEPHERD: THEREFORE CAN I LACK NOTHING.

Probate was granted to his father on 24 October 1944, he was a railway signaller, who was living at the Cottage in East Street, Corfe Castle. Effects £265 4s 5d.



Commemorated on the Memorial at Corfe Castle