
Lionel Frederick SYZLING (1921-1944)

Lionel Frederick Syzling's connection to North Lopham is by birth and residency.

Lionel Frederick SYZLING, son of Frederick James SYZLING (-) and Ethel Maud BOWELL (-), was born on 27 November 1921 in North Lopham, Norfolk - parents Frederick James (motor driver) and Ethel Maud.^{1 2} He was baptised on 12 November 1922 in North Lopham , the ceremony was conducted by Rev. C J EASTWOOD, Rector.¹

He married **Ethel D HARDWICK** in March 1944 - reg: Caistor Lincolnshire.³

He died on 8 July 1944 in France - Private 5773088, 7th Battalion Royal Norfolk Regiment.⁴

The Commonwealth War Graves Commission grave registration entry for Lionel was "SYZLING, Pte. LIONEL FREDERICK, 5773088. 7th Bn. The Royal Norfolk Regt. 8th July 1944. Age 23. Son of Fredrick James Syzling and Ethel Maud Syzling; husband of Ethel Daisy Syzling, of Market Rasen, Lincolnshire."

Lionel is commemorated at Cambes-En-Plaine War Cemetery - Row J. 16. (A Second World War cemetery with burials primarily from the Normandy landings.)

On 4 August 1944 there was a newspaper report in the Diss Express and Norfolk and Suffolk Journal:

**LOPHAM, NORTH
KILLED IN ACTION**

Much sympathy was expressed to Mr. and Mrs. F Syzling when it became known that their only son, Pte. Lionel Frederick Syzling had been killed in action in France. Joining the Army at the outbreak of war, he had previously served with the Paratroups in North Africa. Of a genial disposition he was a popular boy in the village. As recently as last March he married Miss Daisy (Bubbles) Hardwick, of Legsby, Lincolnshire.

Ethel D HARDWICK, daughter of George Henry HARDWICK (c. 1883-c. 1958) and Fanny Maria BETTS (c. 1890-c. 1967), was born on 13 February 1920. She died circa 1992.

Sources

1. *PR - Baptism*. North Lopham, Norfolk. Cit. Date: 12 November 1922.
2. *CR Birth*. 1922 Q1 Thetford Norfolk Vol 4B Page 578. Cit. Date: Q1 1922.
3. *CR Marriage*. 1944 Q1 Caistor Lincolnshire Vol 7A Page 1417. Cit. Date: Q1 1944.
4. *Armed Services Deaths*. ARR2 Vol 5 Page 86 Line 28. Cit. Date: 1944.