

## James R C Duns

James Robert Cockburn Duns was the son of William and Agnes Duns who lived at Fairnieside, Burnmouth.

James was a Sergeant, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, Service no. 3020033. He went missing on active service in January 1945.

He is commemorated on Ayton War Memorial and on the family headstone in Ayton cemetery.

In addition James is commemorated on panel 274 of the Runnymede Memorial. He was 19 when he died and his date of death is recorded there as the 13<sup>th</sup> of January 1945.

Runnymede Memorial on Cooper's Hill at Englefield Green is the Air force Memorial commemorating the 20,000 airmen lost in WW II with no known grave. The Memorial was built by the Commonwealth War Graves Commission and opened by the Queen in 1953. On the CWGC web site there is an audio guided tour of the Runnymede Memorial.



The third name down on Ayton War Memorial is that of James Duns.

It is not known for whom the poppy wreath pictured below is intended. Several Air force men in the Ayton area gave their lives for their country.

**For your tomorrow they gave their today.**

