

WWII - John McMahon

Maggie Carrucan, one of the daughters of Peter Carrucan and Hannah Woods, married John Joseph McMahon in Eltham in 1911. They settled in Kinglake where the McMahon family farmed and had 3 children John (1917), Agnes (1917) and James (1920).

John (Jack), the eldest son, had joined the police force but felt he should do his duty by his country and joined the RAAF. He was posted to England with the rank of Flight Sergeant. He was billeted with a family but died in a bombing raid in Plymouth in 1943 before he saw any action.

His War Extracts reads as follows

Service number:	409848
Rank:	Flight Sergeant
Unit:	11 Personnel Disposal & Reception Depot
Service:	Royal Australian Air Force
Conflict:	1939-1945
Date of death:	23 May 1943
Place of death:	United Kingdom
Cause of death:	Ground Battle
Source:	AWM148 Roll of Honour cards, 1939-1945 War, Air Force

Name	MCMAHON, JOHN FRANCIS
Service	Royal Australian Air Force
Service Number	409848
Date of Birth	6 Jan 1915
Place of Birth	KINGLAKE, VIC
Date of Enlistment	10 Oct 1941
Locality on Enlistment	Unknown
Place of Enlistment	MELBOURNE, VIC
Next of Kin	MCMAHON, MURIEL
Date of Death	23 May 1943
Rank	Flight Sergeant
Posting on Death	1 EMBARKATION DEPOT ASCOT VALE
WW2 Honours and Gallantry	None for display
Prisoner of War	No
Roll of Honour	KINGLAKE VIC

He left behind a wife and two children.

Both James and Agnes still live in Kinglake. James married Kinglake girl Bess Exlon and they live on a property adjoining the original farm. Agnes married Stan Reeves, a Kinglake potato farmer.