



Flying Officer Lincoln James SLOAN

[1912 – 1941]



Name: Lincoln James **SLOAN**

Rank: Flying Officer

Service Number: 2622

Unit: 11 Squadron

Service: Royal Australian Air Force

Born: 1 May 1912; Brisbane, Qld

Enlisted: 18 May 1941; Bellevue Hill, NSW

Date of Death: 8 December 1941 (aged 29 years)

Place of Death: Port Moresby, New Guinea

Cause of Death: Accidental

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Buried / Commemorated: Port Moresby (Bomana) War Cemetery, PNG [grave B2.D.5]
Australian War Memorial [panel 100]
Roll of Honour - Brisbane

Next of Kin: Son of James Duncan and Gertrude Ann Sloan of St. Lucia, Qld

In Civilian Life:

At enlistment, lived at St Lucia, Qld.; and was employed as a commercial pilot with QANTAS - piloting Empire Flying Boats between Sydney and Singapore.

He attended Brisbane Boys College.

In June 1938 he was engaged to Miss Emelia Irene Vasset.

Military Service:

May 1941 Flying Officer; 11 Squadron

October 1941 Catalina conversion course

Circumstances of Death:

In September 1939, No. 11 Squadron moved to Port Moresby, and by May 1940 was flying long range patrol missions in PBV-5 Catalina and Short Empire flying boats across the South West Pacific area. The squadron suffered its first loss on 8 December 1941 when one of its Catalina aircraft (A24-15) crashed into a hill on take-off from Port Moresby; all six crew members (including Flying Officer Sloan) were killed.

Sources included:

- Australian War Memorial
- National Archives of Australia
- Sundry web pages
- *United Service Club, Queensland: The First Century, 1892-1992* by Flight Lieutenant Murray Adams and Lieutenant Colonel Peter Charlton
- Club Meeting Minutes, Annual Reports and sundry documents