

**RAF-grave at Helligsoe churchyard.** (Parish of Sydthy, northern Jutland). Weapon plane. During night of April the 12<sup>th</sup> a Stirling RAF plane, PK229, of No. 299 Squadron was on a dropping-mission with weapon to the Resistance receiving place No. 149 'Jarl' at Holmene west of Fjerritslev (North Jutland). The plane never came home again. Therefore, it must have crashed into the ocean, and the crewmembers were killed.

The navigator of the plane, F/Sgt. Frank Cairns, was found on Helligsoe beach at Roejensoe Odde on June the 8<sup>th</sup> 1945. It took some time before Cairns was identified.

F. Cairns funeral took place on June 12<sup>th</sup> 1945 where people of the parish came so many, that they not all could be together in the church. Vicar K.N. Refshauge held a sermon over the unknown British soldier. At the coffin members from local Resistance were standing 'Guard of Honour'.

The pilot of the plane, F/Lt. W.R. Curry, was also found on a beach further north. He is interred at Tornby churchyard. The other crewmembers were never found.



Helligsoe church, 2004.



RAF-grave with headstone and Danish memorial stone. Inscription: Thanks for your contribution.