

In Memory Of

Sergeant

# JAMES REVILL MOODY

Service Number: 1576882

138 Sqdn., Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve who died on 19 July 1944 Age 20

Son of Charles Revill Moody and Edith Ann Moody, of Colwall, Herefordshire.

GREATER LOVE HATH NO MAN THAN THIS

Remembered with Honour

MARIGNY-L'EGLISE COMMUNAL CEMETERY

Coll. grave 2.



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**Name:** MOODY, James Revill

**Date of Birth:** 26<sup>th</sup> January 1924

**Date of Death:** 19<sup>th</sup> July 1944

**Age at Death:** 20

**Service Number:** 1576882

**Rank:** Sergeant, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve

**Unit:** 138 Squadron (Special Duties)



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### **Military Service**

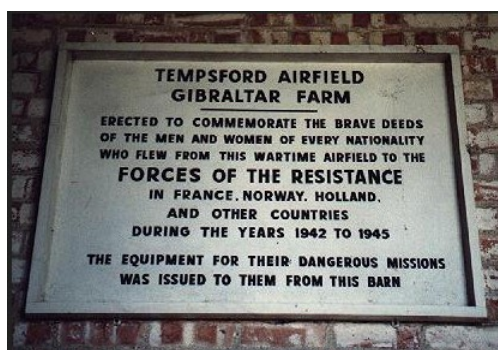
James was an air gunner on a NF-B Halifax V (serial number LL364) which took off from RAF Tempsford at 2230 hours on 18<sup>th</sup> July 1944. The aim of the mission was to drop supplies to the SAS and French Resistance operating in the area near Marigny-l'Eglise in France.

This was one of two drops in the area the other being the USAF B-24H from 801<sup>st</sup> Bomber Group. As part of its drop run LL364 turned towards the drop beacon and crossed over the router for the drop zone. Around the same time, the B-24H turned over a nearby village to line up its run to drop supplies. The two aircraft collided in mid-air at about 0100 hours at Marigny-l'Eglise, some 9 miles south of Avalon in eastern France.

### **Commemorated/Memorial**

Marigny-l'Eglise (Nievre), Coll. Grave 2

Tempsford Airfield in Bedfordshire has a memorial to all those that died from the squadrons which provide supplies to the resistance fighters.



### **Colwall Connection**

James was the son of Charles Revill and Edith Ann Moody of the Police Station in Colwall. James father was the full time Colwall Police Constable. James was an old Ledbury Grammar School boy and had been one of the first members of the ATC. He joined the forces in 1942.