

# KIMPTON ROLL OF HONOUR

Albert C. Cook

No.532979 Cpl., 98 Sqdn., Royal Air Force  
First village casualty of World War 2

Son of Charles and Lucy Florence Cook.

Died on Mon. 17th June 1940

At the beginning of June 1940, 98 Squadron was ordered to return to the UK and continue its work from a home station.

On Sunday, 17th June 1940, the remaining Squadron personnel of 14 officers and 230 other ranks left St Nazaire harbour on the SS Lancastria. Soon after leaving harbour, the ship was bombed by a Ju 88 and sank within twenty-five minutes. About 2,500 soldiers and airmen perished, half the number on board. 98 Squadron lost seventy-five airmen and probably another fifteen, who were reported missing.

Commemorated at Runnymede Memorial, Surrey Panel 21

