Stained Glass Window at Ivanhoe Grammar School, Holy Trinity Anglican Chapel



Ivanhoe Grammar School Chapel WWII and RAF Memorial 2001



Ivanhoe Grammar School Chapel WWII detail 2001



Ivanhoe Grammar School Chapel WWII plaque 2001



Ivanhoe Grammar School Chapel WWII RAF plaque 2001

Location

The Ridgeway, Ivanhoe, BANYULE CITY

Municipality

BANYULE CITY

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Level of significance

Heritage Listing

Vic. War Heritage Inventory

Heritage Study/Consultant	Vic War Heritage Inventory - Stained Glass Memorial Windows Study, Bronwyn Hughes, 2013;
Architect/Designer	Unknown,
Hermes Number	196805
Property Number	

Memorial Window References & amp; Acknowledgements

AWM Roll of Honour; NAA: A705, 166/22/369; WWII Nominal Roll; *Argus* 13 December 1944, p.2; www.historyofwar.org/air/units/RAF/190_wwII; www.raf38group.org/190squadron;

Memorial Window Subject

Flight to Heaven

Memorial Window Text

Fidelis Usque Ad Mortem

Memorial Window Inscription

Cecil Kidgell 1921-1990 Ian Kidgell 1921-1944

Memorial Window Description & amp; History

The window was the gift of Mrs. Merna Kidgell, who erected the memorial to her husband and his twin brother, also to a specific bomber crew, and in honour of Old Ivanhoe Grammarians who fought and who died in the Second World War. The design shows an airman, kneeling on the back of an eagle; the young man gazes heavenwards, his arms outstretched. The window was dedicated on the eve of Anzac Day, 2001.

James Ian Kidgell and Cecil Gawthorne Kidgell were born on 4 March 1921 in Wangaratta. Both men enlisted in the Air Force, Cecil on 25 October 1940 and Ian on 30 January 1942. As noted on the window, Cecil survived the war, however his twin did not, dying in an aircraft accident on 21 November 1944.

A plaque was placed to honour the memory of the seven man crew of Stirling Bomber Mark IV LK276, 190 Squadron, who were killed with Kidgell in the flight accident at Newton Field, Great Donmow, Essex. The men were from the RAF, NZAF with Flight Officer JI Kidgell, the only Australian. A second plaque below the window 'honours 65 Old Ivanhoe Grammarians who gave their lives and the nearly 700 who served their country during World War 2'.

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