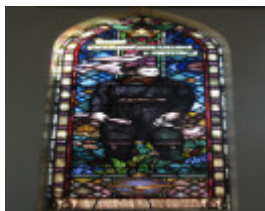


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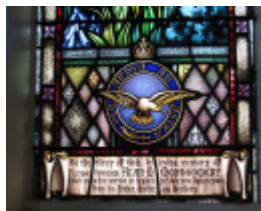
## Stained Glass Window at Tatura St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church



Tatura St Andrews Presbyterian Church Airman memorial BR 1946



Tatura St Andrews Presbyterian Church Airman memorial detail portrait



Tatura St Andrews Presbyterian Church Airman memorial Air Force badge and inscription

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### Location

241 Hogan Street, Tatura, GREATER SHEPPARTON CITY

### Municipality

GREATER SHEPPARTON CITY

### Level of significance

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### Heritage Listing

Vic. War Heritage Inventory

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Heritage Study/Consultant

Vic War Heritage Inventory - Stained Glass Memorial Windows Study, Bronwyn Hughes, 2013;

Architect/Designer

Kerr-Morgan, William, Brooks, Robinson & Co,

Hermes Number

196859

Property Number

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## **Memorial Window References & Acknowledgements**

AWM Roll of Honour; NAA: A705, 166/28/360; *Argus*, 24 July 1945, p.14; Brooks, Robinson & Co. job books (1923-c1966)

## **Memorial Window Subject**

Airman

## **Memorial Window Text**

He lived, He died, He lives

## **Memorial Window Inscription**

To the Glory of God, in loving memory of Flying Officer Alan M. Montgomery. Killed on active service in England 24th July 1944. Aged 23 years. From his Father, Mother, and Brothers.

## **Memorial Window Description & History**

This appears to be the first of a number of windows that were made by Brooks, Robinson & Co. to commemorate the loss of airmen during the Second World War. The Hucker memorial at Lake Bolac and the Jones memorial at Yarram were both adapted from this cartoon. As was sometimes the case, especially among the airmen memorials, the head of the young flying officer was painted from a portrait, giving the window a very personal touch. The Air Force badge and motto 'Per Ardua Ad Astra' was inserted in the base panel above the inscription, and symbols of peace and victory over death, doves, crown and palm fronds, added to the head of the window. Mr. WJ Montgomery placed the order for the window, measuring approximately 95 x 24 inches in April 1946.

Alan Martin Montgomery was 23 years of age and a Flying Officer at the 16 Service Flying Training School at RAF Newton, Nottinghamshire England when he was accidentally killed with three other crew members in the Mitchell 986. On the anniversary of his death his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William J Montgomery of Tatura, placed a notice in the *Argus* that paid tribute to Monty and F/O Ron Stephens RAAF, W/O Allan Cook RAAF and Flight Sergeant Norm Hatrick RCAF. 'Pals always, they live in our memory'.

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