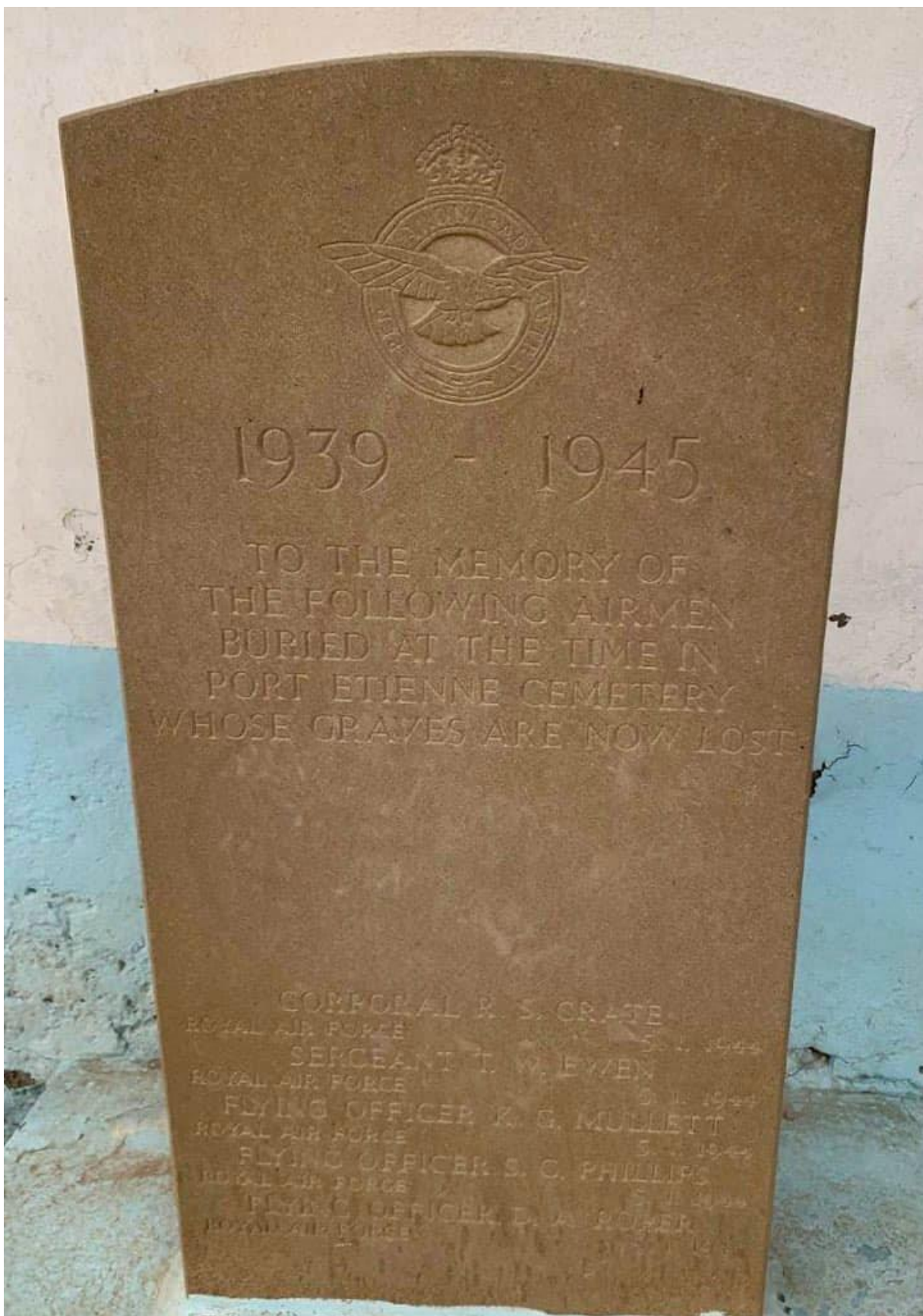


DEREK ANTHONY ROPER (31-39)

Date of Birth	4 August 1922
School Information	Cricket XI 1938. Rugby Football XV 1938. Hockey XI 1939.
Career Information	None
Date Of Death	5 January 1944
Cause of Death	Sunderland III DW105 took off at 1105Hrs on escort to O.S.62. 8 minutes later the aircraft was seen returning to base with smoke emitting from it and losing height. The aircraft failed to make a landing, exploding and crashed in the water just south of Cansado Point at 1115 hours. The starboard inner engine developed a fault and later caught fire filling the aircraft with smoke and fumes thus making it impossible for the pilot to see.
Location	Nouadhibou, Mauritania
Cemetery	St. Etienne Chapel Cemetery, Nouadhibou, Dakhlet Nouadhibou, Mauritania
Rank	Flying Officer
Branch of Service	Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, 95 Squadron





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