'Bob 'Jaminé Robert E.L. (NCO: n° 1424883)

Officer in the Order of the Crown, Knight in the Order of Leopold II, Belgian Military Cross 1st Class, Croix de Guerre Belge 1940 with Bronze Lion, Croix des Evadés, Volunteer Medal 1939-1945, Political Prisoner Medal, Air Crew Europa Star, 1939-1945 Star, Médaille de la France Libérée, ...



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Born on 8 June 1921, Bob Jaminé was a Civil Engineering student, at the University of Ghent, when war broke out. He joined the underground (Secret Army) on 1 November 1940, and formed the Group "Z". Tracked by the Gestapo, he attempted to escape to England, on 16 September 1941, but was arrested in Spain and interned in the Prison Camp at Miranda de Ebro. Liberated, on 25 January 1942, he finally reached the UK, via Gibraltar, on 15 April 1942, and, on 10 June 1942, enlisted in the RAFVR, and was sent to Canada for training. Returning to the UK, Bob Jaminé joined 350 (Belgian) Squadron on June 14th, 1944. Released from the RAFVR, he was attached, until retirement, to the Contracting Branch of the NATO (NICSMA). He died on 28 April 1993.

His claims are :-