

Lelarge Lucien (RAF n° 127854)

Knight - Officer in the Order of the Crown, Knight in the Order of Léopold II, Knight in the Order of Léopold, Croix de Guerre 1940 with Palm, Croix des Evades, Croix de Prisonnier Politique 1940 -1945 with 2 Stars, 1939-1945 Star, ...



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Born on 6 October 1912 at Verviers, Engaged the Aéronautique Militaire on 07 May 1934. Posted with 2/I/2Aé at Schaffen when War broke out, he passes with his unit into France (22 May 40). Send home on 21 August 1940, he became unemployed in occupied Belgium. On 20 October 1940 he leaves Belgium with Paul Siroux for France trying to reach G.B. via Spain and Portugal. Arrested at Lassne (01 May 40) he and Siroux were both emprisonned at Barcelona (02 May 41), they evaded from train during transfer to Miranda (21 July 1941). Arrested again at Burgos (01 Aug 41) both were send to Miranda Camp (15 Sep 41). Liberated on 09 January 1942, he and Siroux were transferred to Gibraltar. Arrival in G.B. on 11 March 1942 saw them transferred to Patriotic School. He enroled into Belgian Forces in G.B.on 03 April 1942 and was send to the Depot AÉM (16 Apr 42). Training started with RAF N°2 Receiving Center (21 May 1942) followed by 5 PAFUS (07 Aug 42) and ending with 58 OTU (20 Oct 42). He was posted to 350 Sqn, where he arrived on 12 January 1943. Send to 84 GSU on 21 July 1944, he joined 349 Sqn as flight commander. Rested on 26 January 1945, he joined as instructor .the Belgian Training School. further postings saw him joining CTU - Woodlands (17 Mar 45) and 12 Ferry Unit when War ended. He left the RAF on 07 October 1946 and joined SABENA. Lucien Lelarge died on 15 June 1995

His claims are :-