

Full Name

**Captain Canute Phillips Larson** 

Born

1907

**CWGC Certificate** 

Service Number EC/1831

Died

13 February 1942, age 35

Son of Canute Berger Larson and Mildred Larson; husband of Jean Larson, of Dorchester, Dorsetshire.

Memorial

Singapore Memorial, Column 229.



Address 1939

Probably Simla, India

Circumstance

Capture of Singapore by Japanese

Notes

C P Larson's parents lived in Wallington, Surrey. C P Larson sailed to Bombay, India in 1927 at the age of 19 listed as a clerk. His parents posted notice of his marriage in October 1936 to Jean Gowlland only daughter of Colonel Geoffrey Cathcart Gowlland and Vera Rose Marriott Gowlland of Simla, India. The marriage was in Simla and C P Larson's profession was given as bank manager. In 1921 census G C Gowlland was a major in the Royal Engineers based at Bovington Camp.

In July 1945 a newspaper advert was placed in missing military for C P Larson with any answers to go to "Marathon" West Moors. Marathon was on Moorlands Road.

In July 1945 Jean Larson boarded a ship out of Columbo Ceylon (now Sri-Lanka) with two daughters sailing for England. Proposed address was given as "The Mount" West Moors, also on Moorlands Road and still standing today.

No family associations of either Canute or Jean have been established with the occupants of either address from the 1939 register.

Information compiled by West Moors resident, Kevin Wormley in 2024