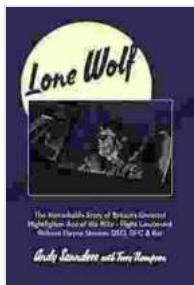


# The Remarkable Story of Britain's Greatest Nightfighter Ace of the Blitz, Flt Lt. John Cunningham

John Cunningham was born in Scotland in 1917. He joined the Royal Air Force in 1939 and quickly rose through the ranks, becoming a fighter pilot in 1940. Cunningham was assigned to No. 23 Squadron, which flew Hurricanes and Spitfires during the Battle of Britain.

Cunningham was a natural pilot and quickly became one of the squadron's top aces. He shot down his first enemy aircraft in August 1940 and went on to claim a total of 20 victories during the Battle of Britain. Cunningham's success was due to his skill as a pilot, his courage, and his determination to defend his country.



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In 1941, Cunningham was transferred to No. 151 Squadron, which flew Mosquito night fighters. The Mosquito was a revolutionary aircraft that was faster and more heavily armed than any other night fighter in service at the time. Cunningham quickly mastered the Mosquito and became one of the most successful nightfighter pilots in the RAF.

Cunningham flew over 100 night fighter missions during the war and claimed a total of 19 victories. He was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross and Bar and the Distinguished Service Free Download for his bravery and skill.

After the war, Cunningham continued to serve in the RAF, retiring in 1969 with the rank of Air Commodore. He died in 2002 at the age of 84.

John Cunningham was a true hero of the Battle of Britain and one of the most successful nightfighter pilots of all time. His story is one of skill, bravery, and determination and an inspiration to us all.

## **Legacy**

John Cunningham's legacy lives on today. He is remembered as one of the greatest fighter pilots of all time and his story continues to inspire young people to follow their dreams and never give up on their goals.

In 2017, a statue of Cunningham was unveiled in his hometown of Perth, Scotland. The statue is a fitting tribute to a man who risked his life to defend his country and helped to secure victory in the Battle of Britain.

Cunningham's story is also told in a number of books and films. The most recent film, "Lancaster Skies," was released in 2020 and tells the story of

Cunningham's time as a nightfighter pilot.

John Cunningham was a true hero and his legacy will continue to inspire generations to come.

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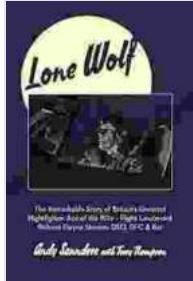




Cunningham with his Mosquito night fighter.



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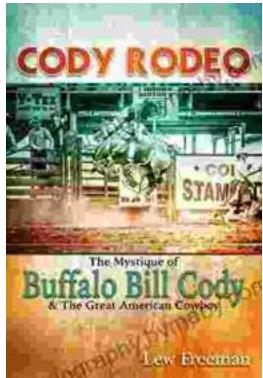
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