

William Curling

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DIED AS PRISONER.

Sergt. William Curling, M.M., R.E., son of Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Curling, of 174 Carisbrooke-road, Newport; in Italy. Sergt. Curling was educated at the C.E. School, and was awarded the Military Medal for conspicuous gallantry and leadership at Dunkirk. He leaves a son and daughter, who are doubly bereaved, as their mother died in 1941.

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BOY RECEIVES FATHER'S MEDAL FROM THE KING

On Monday Master Roy William Curling, aged 14, of 21 Barton-road, Newport, went to Buckingham Palace, accompanied by his grandfather, and received from the King the Military Medal awarded his late father, Lce.-Corpl. William Curling, of the Corps of Royal Engineers. The citation states: "On May 23rd, 1940, near Arras, Lce.-Corpl. Curling showed conspicuous gallantry and leadership when in face of the enemy. He rallied his sub-section and all the infantry in his vicinity, and fought his way back as an infantry platoon to brigade headquarters on the Pont de Jour. His action assisted materially in checking the enemy advance." Lce.-Corpl. Curling has since died whilst a prisoner of war in Italy.

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