

Sommerville, Gerald George

(1924-2005)



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Biographical and Other Notes

Born into an army family based at Woolwich Arsenal. He studied engineering and had wanted to serve in the RAF as a navigator in Bomber Command, but by the time he was old enough for conscription he was in a reserved occupation in the aero industry. He carried out stress calculations on early computers, first for Napier, then Westland Helicopters and Lucas Aerospace until his retirement in 1983. Always interested in history he came to shillings via the coin-operated gas meter in his flat. He collected with an engineer's eye for the manufacturing process, especially the die numbered series. Long-time member of St Albans NS. Quality shilling collection 1816-1966 at DNW 18 September 2012.

Contributors to British Numismatics

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