

Leo (Arie) Camron

born Leopold Caminsky

(1916-2007)

Courtesy Jo Anne Kelvin nee Camron, daughter

During World War Two he was a Lieutenant in the South African Artillery Corps. He was sent 'up North' and partook in the battles in the Western Desert at Tobruk and El Alamein.



SUBSTITUTE PROVINCE: NATAL. PROVINSE NATAL.
NO. MOTOR VEHICLES END: 21/35. ORDONNANSIE OP 68544
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATIONS BY THE GOVERNMENT. VERORDENINGEN EN BEWAKINGSMETINGS.
(Ordinance No. 10 of 1927.) (Ordinance No. 10 van 1927.)

Driver's Licence. Bestuurderslisensie.

Class of motor vehicle in respect of which licence granted: **HEAVY MOTOR CAR (INTERNAL COMBUSTION)**.
Klas motorvoertuig van opsigte waarvan lisensie toegestaan word.

Issued to: *Caminsky* Uitgereik aan: *Caminsky* Familiennaam.
Surname: *Caminsky* Voornaam.
Christian name: *Leopold*
Address: *35 Ridge Road* Adres.
Date of Birth: *14.3.16* Geboortedatum.
Fold here— You hier

This licence is hereby granted to the abovesaid person, whose photograph and signature (or right thumb impression) appear hereunder, to drive a motor vehicle of the class described above.
Hierdie lisensie word hierby aan bogenoemde persoon, wie se portret en handtekening (of regterduimafdruk) hieronder verskyn, toegestaan, om 'n motorvoertuig van bowermelde klas te bestuur.

A. Y. C. Clarke Registrar/Registateur.
District: **Pietermaritzburg** District.
Date: *30 Dec* 19 *33* Datum.
Signature of Driver. Handtekening van bestuurder. (Or right thumb impression) (Of regterduimafdruk).

If a licensed driver changes his address he must renew his licence at any time thereafter.
Indien 'n gelisensieerde bestuurder sy adres verander, moet hy sy lisensie op enige tyd daarna vernieu.

D.D. 467. No. 27943
UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA. UNIE VAN SUID-AFRIKA.
Department of Defence. Departement van Verdediging.
THIS IS TO CERTIFY that the Bearer, No. *49803*
Hiermee word oewervertifig dat die houër, No. *49803*
(Rank) *2/E* (Name) *CAMINSKY, L.*
(rang) (naam)
(Unit) *2nd Pt. Regt, S.A.A.* (eenheid)
a member of the Union Defence Force, having been examined, tested and found competent, is hereby authorized to drive (specify type of vehicle) *any type of motor vehicle* is en dus hierby gemagtig word om 'n (spesifiseer tipe van voertuig) *any type of motor vehicle*
T. Garrler the property of the Defence Department die eiendom van die Departement van Verdediging
in connection with the performance of his military duty. Verdiening, in uitvoering van sy militêre diens te bestuur.
104 (Title of authorised Issuing Officer.) (Hoedanigheid van gemagtigde uitrekkende offisier)



Tank Battle raging in the Western Desert – movements from November 1941 to January 1942.



Another scene of the
 Mess. Lunch has
 just been finished.
 No! I'm not asleep,
 only reading. - then → R
 Major
 Bob Meintjies (Battery
 Commander)
 Capt. Chummy Jones (CPO)
 Lt. Mike Roskott (G.P.O.)



WEL HC
 I wish you heavy work long labour. I wish you stay in which may be. I story you North will no to create good support for round. My happy time

Name: **CAMINSKY**
 Description: **Lieutenant**
 Unit: **South African Forces**
 Height: **5-7 1/2**
 Colour of Eyes: **Grey**
 Colour of Hair: **Brown**

Signature of **Leopold Caminsky**

G.T. 8.4336-1943-10,000.
 Disposal Depot Number to be inserted in this space.

23/2/50/44
 AD(1)(K)P1/10784/1
 Dated 16 Mar '44

RELEASE CERTIFICATE (OFFICER)

RANK: **E/CAPTAIN**
 NAME (in full): **Leopold CAMINSKY**
 UNIT: **S.A.A.**
 DATE OF RELEASE FROM SERVICE: **10 APR '44**

Released Officer's Permanent Address: **143 Church Street, PIETRMARITZBURG.**

PROVINCIAL AUDIT
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 NATAL

OFFICER COMMANDING DISPOSAL DEPOTS.

UNION DEFENCE FORCES.

The Chief of the General Staff has the honour to transmit, with his compliments, the enclosed award(s) for service during the war of 1939-1945.

Order in which the Awards should be set out, e.g., for framing	Description of Ribbon.	Clasp or Emblem (if awarded)
1 1939-45 Star X	Dark blue, red and light blue in three equal vertical stripes. This ribbon is worn with the dark blue stripe furthest from the left shoulder.	Battle of Britain
2 Atlantic Star	Blue, white and sea green shaded and watered. This ribbon is worn with the blue edge furthest from the left shoulder.	Air Crew Escape or France and Germany
3 Air Crew Europe Star	Light blue with black edges and in addition a narrow yellow stripe on either side.	Atlantic or France and Germany
4 Africa Star X	Pale buff, with a central vertical red stripe and two narrower stripes, one dark blue, and the other light blue. This ribbon is worn with the dark blue stripe furthest from the left shoulder.	6th Army or 1st Army or North Africa 1942-43
5 Pacific Star	Dark green with red edges, a central yellow stripe, and two narrow stripes, one dark blue and the other light blue. This ribbon is worn with the dark blue stripe furthest from the left shoulder.	Burma
6 Burma Star	Dark blue with a central red stripe and in addition two orange stripes.	Pacific
7 Italy Star	Five vertical stripes of equal width, one in red at either edge and one in green at the centre, the two intervening stripes being in white.	
8 France and Germany Star	Five vertical stripes of equal width, one in blue at either edge and one in red at the centre, the two intervening stripes being in white.	Atlantic
9 Defence Medal	Flame coloured with green edges, upon each of which is a narrow black stripe.	Silver laurel leaves (King's Commendation for brave conduct, C11)
10 War Medal 1939-45 X	A narrow central red stripe with a narrow white stripe on either side. A broad red stripe at either edge, and two intervening stripes in blue.	Oak leaf
11 Africa Service Medal X	Orange in colour with green and gold of the Springbok Colours in vertical stripes on either side. The green stripes being on the outside.	Protes

NUMBER OF STARS, MEDALS, CLASPS or EMBLEMS ENCLOSED. **5**

To: **MR L. CAMINSKY, 25 LYMBROOK ROAD, MARITZBURG, NATAL.**

A.G. WAR RECORDS, HAMILTON STREET, PRETORIA.

DEAR SIR/MADAM,

You have provisionally qualified to receive the undermentioned awards, the ribbons of which are attached hereto:-

1939-45 Star
Africa Star 7 8th Army Clasp

These awards are subject to final confirmation at a later date and subject to forfeiture and/or restoration in terms of the British Army Council Instruction No. A.C.I. 1452 of 31st. March, 1945.

Yours Faithfully,
W. Keed
 Officer in Charge, War Records

THIS DOCUMENT IS NOT VALID UNLESS IT BEARS THE OFFICIAL STAMP OF THE ADJUTANT-GENERAL AND IS SIGNED BY THE RESPONSIBLE OFFICER.

Ribbon of the Africa Star & 8th Army Clasp previously issued



Machal 1948



(39)
Taken "behind my back"
with Joe making an
inspection at close quarters.
Joe Mostyn behind the camera,
Joe Rothkopf at rear with
Avigdor Lewshitz the "subject"
July 1948



משרד הביטחון

№ 140 / ד

שם משפחה	קשרר
שם פרטי	אריה
שם האב	אי זירר
מס. זהות	6560909



Aliza Camron (Hazel Caminsky nee Weinberg) wife of Arie Camron, dancing with Reuben Narunsky. Narunsky was one of 14 pilot trainees instructed at the Commercial Flying School, Germiston by Cecil Margo and Trevor Sussman, ex SAAF veterans. He left for Israel in January 1949.

21. 7. 62
Adj. - General.

re: Service on the Reserve

This is to acknowledge receipt of your AG-6(A) card P/110784/1 of 14 May 1962, which arrived only recently having been sent surface mail.

Kindly note that it is correct that I have changed my name from L. Caminsky to A. Camron, & that I am now residing in Israel.

Would you also in the light of your letter kindly cancel my appointment on the Reserve.

Yours ffly,
A. Camron

Letter re Service on the Reserve 1962 noting change of name from L Caminsky to A Camron and residence in Israel.