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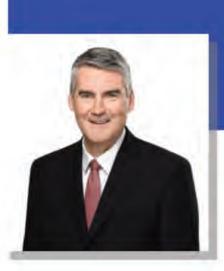


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Premier's Message

On behalf of the Province of Nova Scotia, I would like to thank our Nova Scotia military personnel and their families for the enormous contributions and sacrifices they have made and continue to make for our country.

In 2018 Nova Scotians joined other Canadians in commemorating the 100th Anniversary of the end of the World War I (November 11, 1918). Nova Scotians recognized this symbol of national achievement and paid tribute to those who made the ultimate sacrifice for Canada. We are especially proud of the role Nova Scotians played in The Great War.

The Province of Nova Scotia is proud of our troops, their valuable service and sacrifice, and our historically strong connection with Canada's military.

Sincerely,

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Honourable Stephen McNeil, M.L.A. Premier







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President's Message



It is my pleasure as President of Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command of The Royal Canadian Legion, to offer the 2018 edition and the 14th Veterans Services Recognition Book, in this, the 100th anniversary of the end of World War 1.

The production of the Veterans Service Recognition Books, are done to recognize, honour and remember those Canadians who serve and have served in the Canadian Armed Forces and the Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

I extend my thanks to the NS/NU Command Branches, the members and to all others who have taken the time to honour our Veterans through your support of this project.

To the many advertisers and to those who have made private donations, please accept our heartfelt thanks. With the funds raised we are again able to perpetuate Remembrance and offer programs to better serve our Veterans, their families and our communities.

On behalf of the membership of Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command, I offer thanks and our appreciation to Comrade Steve Wessel, Chairman and Editor of the VSRB for his continued dedication and effort in making this project the great success that it is!

Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command offers thanks to Fenety Marketing Services for their support and partnership in the production of The Veteran Service Recognition Book.

We ask for your continued support with this project by making the 15th edition, in 2019, the best one yet.

Please send in your submissions and please pass this information along so others have the opportunity to remember, honour, and recognize those who have served and those who continue to serve.

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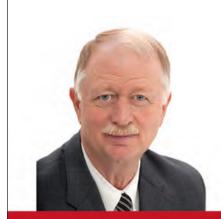


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Project Chairman's Message



As Project Chairman, and on behalf of the entire membership of Nova Scotia / Nunavut Command of The Royal Canadian Legion, it is an honour to present the 2018 edition, our 14th book, in our Veteran Service Recognition Book (VSRB) series. All of these books are produced in an effort to honour, acknowledge and remember the contributions made by so many brave Canadians.

As always, I offer my sincere thanks to the many Legion branches and members of the general public who continue to support these publications by contributing biographies and photos. I would also like to thank the many businesses, groups and individuals who generously support these publications through advertising and through personal financial donations.

In my Project Chairman's message from 2017, I intimated that I would be ending my 15 year run as Editor of these publications. My time on NS/NU Command Executive Council will be ending in May 2019, and although this project would definitely continue, it would be under someone else's direction.

Surprise - "I'm Back!", as Arnold would say.

I have been asked by our current Command President, Comrade Mel Crowe, to continue as Project Chairman, and I would like to thank him for that honour.

In this edition of our VSRB we feature the deeds and exploits of our WWI Veterans, in recognition of the 100th anniversary of the 11 November 1918 Armistice, which ended the Great War – the war to end all wars!

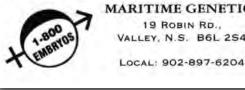
In closing, Nova Scotia / Nunavut Command extends its sincere thanks to our partners, Fenety Marketing Services, for their continued support of The R.C.L. through the production of these books and together, we look forward to issuing the 15th edition of the VSRB in the fall of 2019.

In Comradeship,

Steve Wessel Project Chairman / Editor

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WWI Chaplains from Antigonish, NS

Editor's Comments:

The following war service records and exploits of five WWI Chaplains, all from the Antigonish area of Nova Scotia, are extracts from a book entitled, "Catholics Of the Diocese of Antigonish, N.S. and The War 1914-1919" printed by St. Francis Xavier University Press.

The more personal, first-hand accounts of their exploits are described in the book as being written, "By one who served with them overseas."

Service:

Major Rev. Ronald C. MacGillivray, M.C



Major Rev. Ronald C. MacGillivray, M.C., enlisted on October 1, 1915. In France he served as chaplain to the 2nd Canadian Division from November 15, 1915, to June 1916, when he was called home to Canada by the fatal illness of his father. After a few weeks' furlough, he returned to England and took up the work of chaplain at Epsom Convalescent Hospital, remaining there until February 1917. In that month he re-joined the 2nd Division in France, staying with that Division until the close of the war. He returned to England in the winter of 1919, and, until June of that year, was chaplain at Cooden Beach Hospital. He then became Senior Chaplain at Witley Camp, where he remained until demobilization was completed. He took part in all the campaigns with the 2nd Division, except the Battle of the Somme – ten to fifteen in all. He saw much trench warfare and went "over the top" seven times. He was slightly gassed on one occasion, and was awarded the M.C.,

after the Battle of Cambrai, August 1918. Father MacGillivray has two brothers, both of whom were also in the service, Lieut. J.D. MacGillivray, M. M., and Lieut. C.J. MacGillivray. The family has, therefore, a military record of which it can well be proud.

Diary Account:

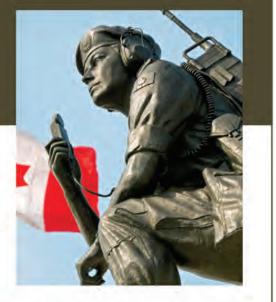
Major Rev. R.C. MacGillivray M.C.

The war was nearly half over before I got to "Canada in Flanders." It was already the end of May 1916. On June 3, occurred the blackest day in the history for the Canadian Corps, the break-through of the Germans at Sanctuary Wood in the Ypres Salient. Lack of adequate artillery protection left the C.M.R. brigade helpless when the German attack occurred, and they were forced to retire. The Canadian Corps avenged the defeat by its successful counter-attack of June 13. As I was merely in a Casualty Clearing Station, I did not see any of this fighting. Two Antigonish chaplains, however, shared in the dangers and difficulties of the Corps during that trying time, Father R.C. MacGillivray and the Father Miles N. Tompkins. Father MacGillivray had been with the Fourth Brigade since December 8, 1915. We crossed each other in the salient on Sunday, June 5. As Father MacGillivray's father was dying he was then recalled to Canada on two month's leave. Upon his return he had to wait his turn in England, impatient though he was to return to the Front. He got back to the Canadian Corps in February 1917 and took a very gallant part in all the great battles of 1917, from Vimy to Passchendaele, having his gallantry rewarded later by a Military Cross. In 1918 he was present in the Hundred Days' fighting and distinguished himself by a "stunt" that showed that if he had not been a priest, he would have been a general. J.F.B. Livesay, in his book, "Canada's Hundred Days," gives the following authentic account of this exploit, which occurred during the Arras-Cambrai fighting of September 1918:

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"Father R. MacGillivray, of Antigonish, N.S., Chaplain of the 5th Brigade, while ministering to the wounded where they fell on the field of battle south of Vrely, was forced to take shelter in a shell-hole, where he found the remnants of a company of which all officers were casualties. An enemy field battery a few hundred yards away was firing over open sights. Grasping the situation, Father MacGillivray called out, 'Boys, we may as well die fighting.' He leaped from the shell-hole and rushed the battery, followed by his brave boys. The boys say he terrified the Huns as with a wild war-whoop and brandishing his cane, he landed in their midst. The rest of the story is short, as all hands went up with the cry of; 'Kamerad.' The prisoners were numbered off and the guns were marked, 'Captured by the 26th Battalion.' Some wag remarked it should have been, 'Captured by Canadian Chaplain Service.'"

Service:

Major Rev. Miles N. Tompkins, M.C.



Major Rev. Miles N. Tompkins, M.C., enlisted on October 18, 1915, and was assigned as chaplain to the 40th Battalion, Canadian Infantry. He left Canada on November 5, 1915, and arrived in England November 14, 1915, where he spent three months at Bramshott Camp. On February 20, 1916, he crossed to France, where he saw continuous service for nearly two years, being attached to the 9th Canadian Infantry Brigade and to No. 1 Canadian General Hospital. Early in 1918, he returned to England, but reached the Front again in March 1918, serving for six months with the 3rd Brigade, Canadian Garrison Artillery. During this period, he was wounded. He arrived back in England in October 1918, and was stationed at Cooden Camp, Sussex. He sailed for home June 29, 1919 and arrived July 4, 1919.

<u>Diary Account:</u> Major Rev. Miles N. Tompkins, M.C.

The next chaplain I met in June 1916, was Father Miles Tompkins. He had been appropriately christened, for he was a true Miles Christi, a soldier and a friend of soldiers. In the fighting in the Ypres Salient, in June 1916, as chaplain to the Ninth Brigade, he distinguished himself by his daring in seeking wounded under fire, to minister to their corporal and spiritual needs. I well remember in July 1916, how he brought me from Zillebeke Bund where we visited Col. Vin. O'Donahoe, then 2nd in command of the 60th Battalion, to Ypres where we met the chaplain of the Newfoundland Regiment and Father Devas, D.S.O, chaplain of the Irish of the 29th Division. Fear was unknown to Father Tompkins, and he paid as little attention to shell-fire as to rain. He went through the Somme Battles of 1916, and Vimy Ridge of 1917, despite a dangerous ailment which eventually forced him to rest in the autumn of 1917. After a short respite he was appointed a hospital chaplain in Etaples, where he was awarded the Military Cross.

Major- General Sir Archibald Macdonell, (afterwards G.O.C. of the First Division, and former O.C. of the 7th Brigade), happened to be at the mess when Father Tompkins' M.C. was announced. When the modest priest stated that he did not know what he got it for, the General averred that he had seen Father Tompkins earn the Military Cross a dozen times.

In 1918 Father Tompkins, now with the Heavy Artillery, was in the fighting of the "Hundred Days" till he was wounded on September 30, 1918. In a few months he was well again, and as the war was over, was now willing to serve in England. Father McGillivray and Father Tompkins each put in two years' actual service at the front during hostilities with the Canadian Corps.



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The following paragraph from the "Official Report to the Canadian Hierachy on the Canadian Catholic Chaplains overseas, "dated February 1, 1918, will show how Fathers MacGillivray and Tompkins were appreciated by the Assistant Director of the Chaplain Services (Roman Catholic):

"During the year Major T. McCarthy (Diocese of London), Captain M.N. Tompkins (Antigonish), and Captain R. A. Macdonell, O.S.B. (Victoria), have been awarded the Military Cross for gallant conduct on the Field, and Lieut.-Col. F. French (Pembroke). D.A.D.C.S (France), was mentioned in Despatches. To Fr. French's tactful and capable administration is due, to no small extent, the large measure of success which our priests have obtained in France. It is difficult to single out any name, yet I feel I must record the universal surprise that Fr. M. N. Tompkins had not been honoured long before official recognition came."

Service:



Major Rev. Donald McPherson

Major Rev. Donald McPherson enlisted on April 28, 1915 and went overseas with the 25th Nova Scotia Infantry Battalion. In England, he was stationed at East Sandling as chaplain to the 2nd Canadian Division. On the eve of departing for France with the 25th Battalion, he was ordered to the Eastern battlefront. On the Isle of Lemnos, he was chaplain to the No.1 Canadian Stationary Hospital, as well as to several Imperial and Australian units. Among those who received his priestly ministrations were the casualties from the Dardanelles campaign. On the evacuation of the Peninsula, Father McPherson was sent to Salonika with No. 1 Hospital, where he remained for eight months. He then returned to

England, where he labored for some months in various Canadian training camps, including Bramshott Camp, where the St. Francis Xavier Hospital Unit was then stationed. Falling ill, Father MacPherson was recommended for light duty on the Mediterranean and, in Easter week, 1917, he joined a hospital ship working on this submarine-infested route. Early in 1918, he returned to England, and his long-felt desire of gong to the Western battle-front was gratified. He was assigned as chaplain to the 5th Canadian Divisional Artillery, with which he remained until the boys sailed for home. During his stay in France, Father McPherson had the honor of conducting to the Grotto of Lourdes the only pilgrimage made there by Canadian soldiers.

Diary Account:

Major Rev. Donald MacPherson

The official report contains the following appreciation of Father MacPherson: "All Canadian units having returned from the Mediterranean Expeditionary Forces, we have no longer any chaplains there. During the trying time of our stay in the East, Captain D. MacPherson (Antigonish), rendered splendid service, and has been highly recommended on all sides."

As he was in the East I did not get to know Father McPherson till the end of 1917. He was the first priest of Antigonish Diocese in the Canadian Chaplain Service. He went overseas in May 1915. It was his lot to fight disease in Mudros and Salonika, as a hospital chaplain. (There were no Canadian combattant troops in this area). Not content with having risked his health in Salonika (fortunately he recovered) he would not be denied the privilege of risking his life in the Canadian Corps in France, where he took part in all the 1918 fighting, as chaplain of the Fifth Divisional Artillery. Unlike Father MacGillivray and Tompkins who were known as jovial dare-devil priests, Father MacPherson hid his romantic emotions under and ascetic exterior. All three priests were most zealous in their labor for souls. All three obtained in recognition of their military services the coveted majority.



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Service: Captain Rev. Michael Gillis



Captain Rev. Michael Gillis enlisted as chaplain on April 1, 1916 being first stationed with the 185th Battalion, Canadian Infantry, at Broughton Camp, C.B., and Aldershot Camp, NS. He sailed for overseas with the same battalion and arrived in England on October 13, 1916, where he was appointed chaplain to the Nova Scotia Highland Brigade at Witley Camp. He crossed to France on April 9, 1917, where for three months he was stationed with the Lahore Artillery (Imperial), at that time supporting the 4th Canadian Division in the Battle of Vimy Ridge. When the 4th Canadian Division Artillery was formed, he transferred to that unit and remained there until his return to England in June 1918. In England, he was stationed at Seaford Camp, until his return to Canada in the spring of 1919.

Diary Account: Captain Rev. Michael Gillis

The next Antigonish Chaplain to reach the Canadian Corps was Father Michael Gillis. He came overseas with a Highland Brigade in October 1916. It was the fate of this Brigade, as of most other units which came from Canada at that time, to be broken up for reinforcements. Father Gillis got to the Canadian Corps as the chaplain of the Fourth Division Artillery. He gave fourteen months faithful service to the Corps and went through all the heavy fighting of 1917 – Vimy, Hill 70 (Loos), and Passchendaele. A Catholic Senior Chaplain being required at Seaford Camp, Father Gillis was called there in June 1918. He organized a splendid Catholic Army Hut in Seaford. As Father Tompkins was the spiritual supervisor of the C.A.H. at Cooden, in the winter of 1918 to 1919, and Father MacGillivary of the C.A.H. Hut in Witley, in 1919, Antigonish priests were not behind in the drudgery of hut work. Indeed all five worked at rigging up and running huts, big or small, when circumstances permitted.

Service:

Captain Rev. Ronald MacDonald



Captain Rev. Ronald MacDonald enlisted in October 1915. He was first stationed as chaplain at Aldershot Camp, Nova Scotia, where he built a large combination recreation hut and chapel – prior to the C.A.H. movement. He sailed with Nova Scotia Highland Brigade, arriving in England October 13, 1916. From then until early in 1919, Father MacDonald labored as chaplain to various units of Canadian soldiers. Among others were the 85th Battalion, the 7th Reserve Battalion, the 13th Infantry Brigade, the 15th Infantry Brigade, the 185th Battalion, the 3rd Canadian General Hospital, the 1st Canadian General Hospital and the 16th Canadian General Hospital. He was with No. 9 Stationary Hospital at Etaples, when it was severely bombed by German planes. In the spring of 1919, he arrived home via Panama and Vancouver.



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<u>Diary Account:</u> Captain Rev. Ronald MacDonald

Father Ronald's white hair indicated clearly enough that he might have let priests twenty-five years younger take his place in the Canadian Chaplain Service, but he would not have it so. He wished to serve as the younger men. He came overseas in October 1916 and did camp work in England and hospital work in France. From a spiritual point of view, the work of a chaplain in camp or in hospital is just as valuable as that of a chaplain in the field, though lacking the military eclat of the latter. This however, is more than compensated for by the greater opportunities of getting the men to the sacraments. While his age prevented Father Ronald from getting to the trenches, he had a taste of war when German planes raided the hospital area at Etaples. Father MacDonald saw his little chapel shattered, but he himself continued his ministrations to the sick and dying as if nothing had happened. His last unit was the Ontario Hospital at Orpington. His efforts to get a C.A.H. Hut for this unit were blocked by the bigotry of the O.C. Chaplains. Father Ronald rounded off his military career by being chaplain to a transport ship that brought Canadian soldiers to Vancouver via the Panama Canal.

Diary's Concluding Remarks:

In conclusion, may I be permitted to add that I saw all these five priests frequently and in the most trying circumstances. I saw them face difficulties and dangers which would balk or break anyone who had a weak link in his armor. I saw them overcome these obstacles with a Christian fortitude and patience which was often hidden by a smile or joke. It made one prouder of being a Catholic for having met these five Antigonish priests. They were all Scholarly priests with a repertoire of languages from Italian to Micmac (four of the five could preach in Gaelic), they upheld the traditions of Antigonish University. They were true to their Highland motto, "Dileas gu cath," a motto upon which a great Gael of thirteen hundred years ago, St. Columban, has written a commentary which may serve as a summary of their war work:

"Our perils are many, the war awaiting us is severe, and the enemy terrible, but the recompense is glorious and the freedom of our will is manifest. Without an adversary there is no fight; without a fight there is no crown. Where there is a fight, there is courage, vigilance, ardor, endurance, fidelity, wisdom, firmness and prudence."





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Captain L. Howard Johnstone (1889-1916)

Lieutenant L. Howard Johnstone was nicknamed the 'Iron Duke' by the men of the 25th Battalion. Johnstone came from a prominent family; he was son of Dr. Edmund James and Caroline Charlotte (nee Kavanagh) Johnstone, and great-grandson of Nova Scotia Premier J.W. Johnston, 1857-1860.

L. Howard Johnstone was born in Sydney Mines, Cape Breton County, on January 11, 1889 and made his mark despite his short life. He served on staff of various newspapers – Post (Sydney), Record (Sydney), Morning Chronicle (Halifax), and Gazette (Montreal). Although he was appointed Private Secretary of the General Manager, Nova Scotia Steel and Coal Company, printer's ink must have been in his blood because he resumed journalistic work in 1912 when he joined the staff of the Montreal Gazette. However, later in the year he returned to the Morning Chronicle. The "British Roll of Honor" stated, "In reportorial work no newspaper man in Eastern Canada was a better descriptive writer and few whose career in journalism promised more brilliantly. Naval and shipping events particularly attracted Captain Johnstone and many varied stories came from his facile pen." He also enjoyed healthy sports and was a member of the Royal Cape Breton Yacht Club, Sydney.

Johnstone qualified as Lieutenant and Captain in the Halifax School of Infantry in 1914 and went overseas as Lieutenant in the 25th Nova Scotian Battalion, Canadian Expeditionary Force. He reached the Western Front on September 15, 1915 and was first a Bombing Officer and subsequently was with a trench mortar unit. M. Stuart Hunt, Nova Scotia's Part in the Great War, p. 78, noted Lieutenant L.H. Johnstone led the 25th Battalion "... in the fruitless and bloody attack on Regina Trench, October 1st, 1916. While gallantly leading those men into a veritable hell of machine gun and shell fire, the 'Iron Duke' as he was nicknamed by the gallant men he was leading, fell to rise no more."



Back in Sydney, a memorial service was held at Christ Church on October 15, 1916. The service began with the hymn 'Onward Christian Soldiers', followed by prayers, names of men of the Honor Roll, silence, followed by the 'Last Post'. Captain Johnstone's former newspaper, The Sydney Daily Post, 16 October 1916, p. 5, reported, "There was scarcely a dry eye in the church when the last notes died away."

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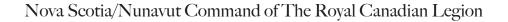
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When Lt. Howard Johnstone Fell

Story as told by a Soldier who was with him (N.S archives news clipping)

The story of how Lieut. Howard Johnstone, of Sydney Nova Scotia, fell on the field of honour, had been previously reported from the front, but not with the intimate touch that was given to it by a member of the same battalion who had returned from the front. The teller of the story was with Mr. Johnstone at the time that he met his death and was himself wounded the day following at the 2nd battle of the Somme. The following story is taken from news articles of the day in 1916.

"It was on the first day of October 1916, that Lieut. Johnstone fell," said the returned soldier to a Morning Chronicle reporter yesterday. "All that day we had been in our trenches watching the work of the British artillery, back of our lines, as they threw sections of the Hun trenches into the air, in clouds of dust and debris. Our time had not come yet, and we kept under cover in the murky trenches and did nothing while the German guns roared back their reply to the artillery on our side. All the German efforts were not fruitless, for many of the shells burst alongside us and kept us pretty well under cover.

"Waiting under such circumstances is far from pleasant, and all of us in the company, of which Mr. Johnstone was the acting Major, were more or less keyed up and inclined to take matters into our own hands and go 'over the top.' Mr. Johnstone was the life of the boys in our section of the trench that day and kept us feeling good with his stories and jokes.

"Night fell at last and those of us who cared to do so ate a frugal meal, and then kept quite waiting for the word to charge, which we knew was due to arrive at any moment. The night was a typical one in the trenches, with its murky, foggy atmosphere, thick with the fumes of high explosives and filled with the roar of bursting shells. At last the word came.

"Johnstone, who was well known for his intrepid fearlessness, was the first one to reach the top, so far as I can recollect, and I remember distinctly seeing him standing there silhouetted against the skyline, as a bursting shell threw everything into relief. Then we were over. There was nothing distinct then for a time, until we were under way. With a rush we swept at the Hun trench until we struck their wire. Wire seemed to be everywhere and the enemy were popping away at us. Here and there, I saw a man go down but there was nothing we could do to help him, so we kept on trying to break through the mass of stakes and wire. Soon it was seen that there was nothing to do but get under cover, as the Germans were finding our range and were getting closer and closer with every shot.

"Between the wire and our lines there were some shell holes, and to these we now made our way, only now Mr. Johnstone was the last in the line. Together we went into the recesses and started to dig under. One of the boys alongside me 'got his' and I was busy trying to work my Lee Enfield as well as I knew how.

"There was the incessant rattle of machine gun fire and the same heavier roll of artillery. Johnstone came over the top into the hole where we were, with his eyes ablaze and almost crying at the enforced retreat. As he came to a point near where I was, he was hit by a shell. Not a word did he utter, but crumpled up into the recess alongside of us with a smile on his lips."

"Men have been given decorations," said the story teller, "who, while heroes in every fibre, did not deserve their distinction any more than this same Lieut. Howard Johnstone. If there is such a thing, he is one of the men who were too brave; and if you ever hear anyone say anything about the work being done by young officers in action, just add for me that Johnstone deserves a place with the best of them. A boy in years, but a Canadian through and through, and more than that cannot be said in praise of any man when the final chapter of the war is written, and our boys come in for their true credit in this great war for liberty."

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George was born on December 15, 1892 in Kings County, Nova Scotia, the son of James E. and Annie R. Price of Port Williams, Nova Scotia. He moved to Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan as a young man to work on the fall harvest. George Price did not actually volunteer to serve in the Canadian Expeditionary Force, rather he was drafted under the "1917 Military Service Act". George had been working as a farm labourer near Moose Jaw, SK and his employer did not pay him the wages owed. He took bedding in lieu of payment, and his employer pressed theft charges. *"The judge said go to jail or join the army."* He enlisted in the 210th Infantry Battalion, Canadian Expeditionary Force on October 15, 1917 and received basic training in Regina before he was posted overseas. He transferred to the 15th Canadian Reserve Battalion on February 6, 1918 and to the 28th Canadian Infantry Battalion on May 1, 1918. He was gassed on September 8, 1918 in the Canal-du-Nord area, sent for treatment then returned to his unit on September 26, 1918.

Private George Lawrence Price was killed in action 10:58 a.m., November 11, 1918, the last Allied forces fatality of the First World War. He is buried at the St. Symphorien Military Cemetery in Belgium. He was posthumously awarded the British War Medal and the Victory Medal.



It has been widely reported that George Lawrence Price was the last Canadian Soldier killed in the Great War. The following is a story entitled "The Last Patrol" by James McWilliams, which gives a stirring account of the last moments of WWI on the Western Front, and of Private George Price's short life.

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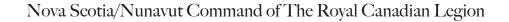
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THE LAST PATROL

Half a mile behind him, the village of Havre, east of Mons, was in joyous tumult as Belgian villagers welcomed their liberators, 'A' Company of the 28th Northwest Battalion of the Canadian Corps. Private Goodmurphy had abandoned the festivities to do his own reconnaissance of the suspicious-looking hamlet across the Canal du Centre.

His platoon had been told by Captain 'Blondie'' Ross to halt on the west bank of the canal. But the west side was devoid of cover, and Goodmurphy had spotted loop-holes in the top level of the brick house closest to the bridge. When the advance resumed it would be over this bridge the 28th would cross. The house offered a perfect position for German machine-guns to sweep the bridge and its approaches.

Art Goodmurphy, a former glazier from Regina, was a veteran despite his twenty-one years. He had been through a lot with the 28th -- the Somme in 1916, Vimy Ridge, Hill 70 and Passchendaele in 1917, and already this year -- Amiens, the D-Q Line, Canal du Nord and Cambrai. Now at last the Allies were on the move, pushing the Germans steadily eastward. Casualties had been a lot lighter over the last ten days. It looked like the end of the war was near, but it did not pay to get confident. Yesterday a shell had ploughed into the ground beside Goodmurphy and four of his chums. They should have been goners, but it failed to explode. Then there was Private Coughler, killed just a few days ago. Now there was this suspicious bridge. If anything looked like a trap this was it.

Goodmurphy rose cautiously to his feet. All remained silent except for the distant rejoicing. He advanced along the road towards the ominous bridge crouching like a gigantic iron grass-hopper over the canal. So intent was he upon the dark loop-holes that he jumped when a soft voice called from beside him, "Murph, where you going?"

It was Private Price, an 'A' Company runner, crouched behind a shrub. George Price was a native of Port Williams, Nova Scotia. One of very few Maritimers in the Saskatchewan battalion, he had been working on a farm near Stony Beach when he walked into Moose Jaw to enlist. "Looks suspicious to me," said Price. "I think we should go across there and see what's in those houses. Let's get a couple more guys to go over with us."

Within minutes they had found three more 'Norwesters' to make the recce. All were Privates and Lewisgunners, but as no one wanted to lug the heavy weapons on a reconnaissance patrol, each was armed only with a pistol. If any had thought to look at their watches, they would have discovered it was almost eleven o'clock on the most important day of their lives -- 11 November, 1918.

At 05.00 that morning, in a railway car on a siding in the Forest of Compiegne, the German and Allied delegations had signed the documents arranging the Armistice. All fighting would cease in six hours -- at 11.00. An hour and a half after the signing, at 06.30, Canadian Corps Headquarters had received the news. From there it had been dispersed to the four divisions, then to the twelve brigades, then down to the forty-eight battalions and support units. From battalion headquarters it had became more difficult to disseminate the glad tidings. The last weeks' rapid pursuit meant that numerous platoons, sections and even individuals, were scattered over a wide area, all isolated and hard to find as they slipped stealthily forward along country lanes, through woods, and across fields devoid of cover.

The foremost unit was the 28th Northwest Battalion, advancing south of Mons against increasing enemy continued....





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fire. It had been 09.30 while clearing the Bois la Haut that Headquarters of the 28th had received Marshal Foch's communiqué accompanied by this terse addendum:

"Attacking battalions ordered to push on with all possible speed in order to gain as much territory as possible before 11.00 hours."

An officer astride a captured horse was sent to notify the platoons stretched along the line of advance. In Havre the word had arrived around 10.30. "The street was plugged with people shouting, 'Germans kaput!' We reached a corner with five roads and a big building marked with bullets and shrapnel from 1914 when a staff officer appeared and said there was going to be an armistice," recalled Dick Herrod of Moose Jaw. "'What the hell's an armistice,' we asked after he was gone. Then word came from somewhere to 'Give 'em hell till eleven o'clock."

Meanwhile half a mile ahead, the five privates, alert and watchful, were advancing on the ominous bridge. They had just reached the west bank of the canal when they spotted a German machine-gun crew setting up on a knoll on the far side, but to the right of the houses. Without a moment's hesitation they all dashed across the bridge into the hamlet of Ville-sur-Haine. Except for the loop-holes in the nearest of the two adjoining houses, all appeared serene.

"We ran up to this first brick house, kicked the door open, and went in just like gangsters with our pistols drawn," recalled Art Goodmurphy. Waiting for them were the inhabitants, Monsieur Stievenart and his six-year-old son, Omer -- alone. "Les allemandes sont alles," they announced, their faces beaming. Upstairs, the Canadians found beside the loop-holes, a litter of tools and spent casings.

Years later Omer Stievenart recalled, "About 10.30 the Germans suddenly ran down stairs, left their tools and ran away, not by the front door, but by the rear. My father and Monsieur Lenoir (who lived next door) surprised at the unexpected flight, looked toward the bridge and distinctly saw soldiers in khaki uniforms -- just like the British in 1914." Thus Ville-sur-Haine had its first glimpse of its liberators.

In the adjacent house the Canadians discovered only an elderly couple, the Lenoirs. After searching that house, they gratefully accepted celebratory refreshments. No sooner had they taken glasses in hand when German machine-guns opened up from the knoll behind the houses. Bullets knocked tiles from the rear roofs and pock-marked the solid brick walls. Price and Goodmurphy stepped into the street, sheltered by the houses, to check on the bridge. "It looked like an emery wheel the way the bullets were ricocheting off that iron-work. There was no way anybody could cross that bridge now." The Canadians gathered in the Stievenarts' house on the corner to plan their next step.

At that moment, five minutes before eleven, these five young Canadian privates were the tip of the entire Allied advance. They knew nothing of that, nor that the rest of the world was going mad with joy at the impending cease-fire. They just knew their recce patrol had sprung the suspected trap, and they were stuck on the wrong side of the canal. Because there were no windows overlooking the canal, Price and Goodmurphy decided to have another look at their escape route while the enemy blasted away at the back wall of the house. Maybe they had quit firing upon the bridge.





Lifting the latch, the two stepped out onto the cobbled street. The bridge was still under heavy fire, with ricochets whining in all directions. Then they sighted a lone German soldier. "He was down in the canal creeping along the edge of the water. He was ducking down, but he didn't know we were there." Price and Goodmurphy looked at one another, but neither moved to shoot him. "Hell, he was just trying to get out of there, back to his own people."

By now more of the 28th had arrived on the far bank of the canal and taken what little cover they could find. From there they watched the final scene unfold. Even closer, across the street, was another eyewitness, Mademoiselle Alice Grotte, a twenty-three-year-old nurse with dark, flashing eyes. She saw the two young Canadians step into the street, while the elderly Lenoirs beckoned wildly for them to come back inside.

"George was facing me," recalled Art Goodmurphy, "and I was saying something to him when all of a sudden, BANG! He fell forward into my arms. I could have cried. It was not an accidental shot. It was a sniper from way up the end of the street."

Alice Grotte darted into the street heedless of the sniper as Goodmurphy dragged his comrade to shelter behind a brick wall. Together they carried him into the end house. Everyone tried to help. Madame Lenoir tried to feed the wounded man broth; the nurse, Alice Grotte, made Price as comfortable as possible. She recognized that he was mortally wounded. Within a minute or two Private George Lawrence Price was dead, the last battlefield casualty of The Great War, the War To End All Wars.

All at once the machine-guns stopped their savage chatter. No rifle shots sounded. In the distance church bells rang. The four Canadians decided to chance re-crossing the bridge carrying their comrade's body. In silence they crossed while from the distance came sounds of jubilation. On the far side they met Captain Ross and told him what had happened.

"But the war is over. The war is over," the shocked Captain kept repeating.

"Over?" exclaimed Goodmurphy incredulously. "Over? How the hell did we know that? No one told us. It sure as hell wasn't 'over' across there!"

The villagers of Ville-sur-Haine pleaded to be allowed to provide a coffin and bury their fallen hero, but Price was buried in the nearby cemetery of St. Symphorien. Like every Canadian soldier killed in action, he was laid to rest wrapped in a blanket. By one of those ironies of war, the last casualty was buried beside the British soldiers killed near Mons during the first battle of the war in 1914.



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George Price's comrades met again fifty years later, on 11 November, 1968, to erect a monument to his memory on the spot where he died. With them to unveil the plaque on the wall of the Stievenart's house was the last commanding officer of the 28th 'Norwesters'. Also present was the girl with the dark, flashing eyes who fifty years earlier had tried to save the life of Private Price, the last casualty of The War To End All Wars. The plaque states in both English and French:

"TO THE MEMORY OF 256265 PRIVATE GEORGE LAWRENCE PRICE 28th NORTH WEST BATTALION 6th CANADIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE 2nd CANADIAN DIVISION KILLED IN ACTION NEAR THIS SPOT AT 10.58 HOURS NOVEMBER 11TH 1918 THE LAST CANADIAN SOLDIER TO DIE ON THE WESTERN FRONT IN THE FIRST WORLD WAR ERECTED BY HIS COMRADES NOVEMBER 11TH 1968"



Today the bridge still crouches like a gigantic iron grass-hopper, but it is dwarfed by the larger structure that spans the modern and wider Canal du Centre. Upon crossing the two bridges to Ville-sur-Haine one can no longer find the Stievenarts' house on the corner, nor the house from which Alice Grotte ran to his aid. Both became victims of Progress when the canal was widened. However, just ask anyone in the hamlet and they will tell you the story of Private George Price and take you to the monument constructed from the bricks of the Stievenarts' corner house.



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Roy Clinton Rushton____

Roy was born on January 5, 1918 in Amherst, Nova Scotia, the son of Joseph and Lily (Doyle) Rushton. He passed away on June 17, 2018 at the age of 100 years.

Roy spent three-quarters of his 100 years with both a bullet and a piece of shrapnel in his body - souvenirs from the Second World War that the paratrooper wouldn't let keep him from serving later in Korea.

Rushton's battle experience began on the evening of June 5, 1944, when he leapt from a plane the night before D-Day. With that jump, he became one of 450 paratroopers who landed behind enemy lines in northern France to try to secure positions before the Allied forces arrived.



Rushton hit the ground in Varaville. Hours later, he would be struck by shrapnel while running along a hedge. The piece of metal would remain in his body for the next 74 years; despite the pain it caused, the shrapnel sat too close to a nerve to be removed. After hospitalization and recuperation in England, Roy and his para-comrades, the 1st Canadian Parachute Battalion, fought for two months until there were less than 200 of the originals left.

Rushton's Second World War service came to an end on March 24, 1945, just months after he survived the Battle of the Bulge in Belgium. Although the Pictou County man lived through a battle that saw 75,000 Allied casualties, he was shot in the thigh after he crossed the Rhine River and landed in western Germany. He was 27 at the time. The bullet would never be removed because doctors told him there could be complications.



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Before WWII, Rushton worked on his family's farm.

Rushton on his family's Pictou County farm

After the war, he bought and ran a store in Salt Springs, NS. But like the metal in his body, soldiering remained in Rushton's blood. When Canada appealed for volunteers for a new unit called the 25th Canadian Infantry Brigade (Special Force), Roy, at 32 years of age, handed the store's keys over to his mother and went to the nearest recruiting depot and was one of the first to enlist in August 1950.

His Veteran's knowledge and his utter bravery proved of great benefit to the soldiers of 10 Platoon, D Company, the 2nd Battalion, Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry. Many of the soldiers were fresh recruits, hurriedly trained, but their battalion was at strength in early September and on the Pacific in October, sailing for Korea.

Age and his injuries, however, made a return to the battlefield more painful.

"The physical strain, no doubt, must have been a great deal more on guys in their 30s, particularly guys who had been wounded in the leg and were carrying a bullet around with them," said Vincent Courtenay, 84, a fellow Korean war veteran who befriended Rushton later in life.

But it wasn't in Rushton's nature to complain or let on about the injury to others. His former brother-inarms, Bernie Cote, 89, was unaware of the bullet lodged in Rushton's leg. What he remembers of the soldier he served alongside in 1951 was his laid-back attitude and the way in which he inspired the men around him.

He was a "real guy from down East," Cote said. "And all the guys in the platoon thought the world of him." Rushton's past wartime experience made him a role model for those serving alongside him in Korea, Cote said.

"When you get somebody that knows something and you don't know nothing, they were like a father figure to you," said Cote, who was then 22 to Rushton's 33 years of age. "You felt safe with them."

An example of this came when Rushton's platoon worked to capture Hill 532, a mountainous piece of terrain named for the fact it was 532 meters above sea level.

In the first major attack on the hill, Roy's platoon Commander was badly wounded in the knee and the company Sergeant Major, Swede Larson, was shot through the shoulder. Roy took the platoon Commander's binoculars and map case and took command of the platoon.



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Within 200 yards of the summit, there was no progress. His men were pinned down by devastating enemy fire. Night was coming and even if they somehow unseated the enemy, Roy knew his bone tired men would be counterattacked in force. There was no support in place for a night battle.

Roy contacted the company commander and advised him to stand down and get permission to call off the attack. The commander agreed and the next morning the forces moved onto the hill virtually unopposed as the enemy had withdrawn.

Rushton's decision to halt the attack was credited with saving numerous lives. And while Rushton started the battle as a Corporal, he finished as a Sergeant.

Roy in Korea

Rushton's service in Korea came to an end in 1951 because of a hearing problem, his son Robert says. Once he was discharged, he returned to running his store for several years, and he and his wife Margaret raised four sons together, two of whom would join the military.



Rushton never abandoned military life. He joined different

regiments and later served as an instructor with the Halifax Rifles, Pictou Highlanders and Royal Hamilton Light Infantry. He also worked as a commissionaire and later started his own small appliance repair business.

Even in retirement, Rushton kept his sense of adventure. He exercised it by travelling and in his decision to jump out of an airplane at 65, his son says.

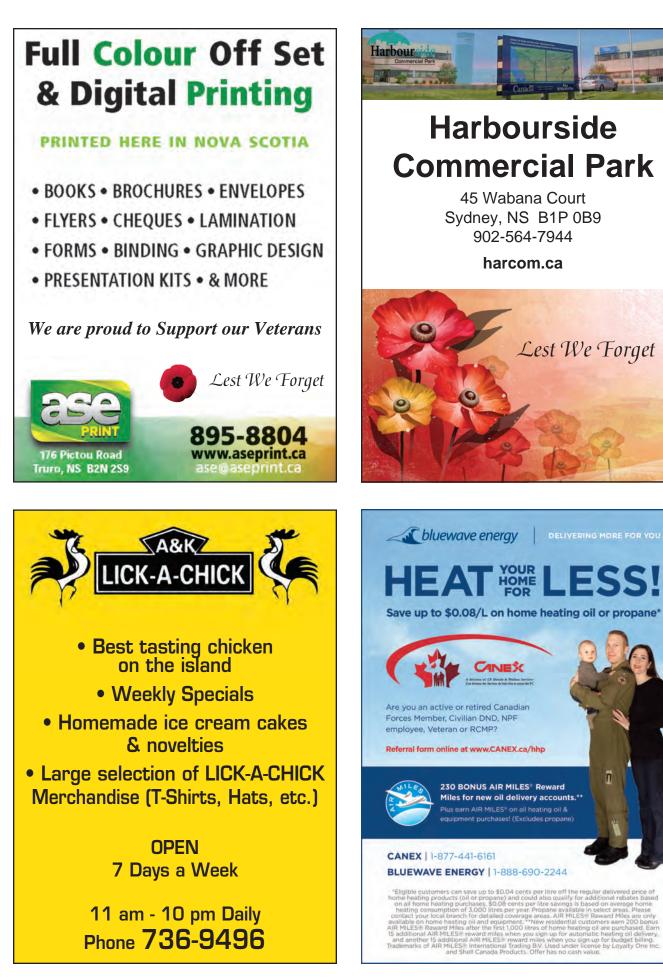
As the jump unfolded, Rushton looked to be in danger of landing in a water reservoir.



"He started playing with the cords and he ended up slamming into the side of the hill, just below the airport," his son recalls. "He hurt his knee - he couldn't walk on it for about three weeks - but that's the type of adventurous man he was. He would do things out of the blue, just like that."

Roy was able to visit Korea again in July 2003, as a Veteran delegate with a Korean War Pilgrimage group sponsored by Veterans Affairs Canada. Most of those who served with him have passed on. Those who have not surely remember the gregarious, good natured, tough as nails soldier.

Roy Rushton, Front Left





Captain Charles Trevor Greene



Greene was born in 1965 to Richard and Elizabeth Greene in Sydney, Nova Scotia. He attended King's College in Halifax, Nova Scotia where he completed a bachelor's degree of journalism with honours in

1988. Greene moved to Japan soon after, to work for Bloomberg News and the Yomiuri Shimbun. Greene joined the Canadian Navy in 1995, where he sailed on HMCS Oriole, the Navy's tall sail-training ship and the oldest commissioned ship of the Canadian Forces. He then settled in Vancouver, British Columbia, and transferred to the Canadian Army's reserve, as an officer in a reserve infantry unit, the Seaforth Highlanders of Canada. He also joined Bloomberg News Vancouver bureau and began researching and writing about the Downtown Eastside, an area encompassing five neighborhoods, an area noted for a high incidence of poverty, drug use and sex trade.

In 2001, Greene met his future wife, Debbie Lepore, a chartered accountant and in 2005, their daughter

Grace was born. On July 24, 2010, Lepore and Greene were married. Greene is the honorary patron of the Honour House Society, an organization dedicated to help the families of wounded Canadian soldiers in the New-Westminster-Vancouver area. He was also awarded with an Honorary Doctor of Civil Laws in May 2009. Greene is the 1st recipient of the "Sacrifice Medal" was the subject of a docudrama film entitled "Peaceful Warrior" and was a torchbearer during the 2010 Vancouver Paralympics.

Lieutenant Greene deployed to Afghanistan in 2006 as a Civilian-Military Cooperation (CIMIC) officer, volunteering from his home unit of the Seaforth Highlanders of Canada and on March 6, 2006, in a village outside of Kandahar City, he suffered a devastating head injury while at a meeting with local village elders. The following story of his injury and his miraculous recovery, and the Legion's role in that recovery, was originally printed in the 2015 edition of BC/Yukon's Veteran Recognition Book and is re-printed here to honour a courageous Nova Scotian and a true Canadian hero.



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Iron Soldier

(by Joseph Waugh)



Perhaps the most obvious place would be on March 4th, 2006 in a small village outside of Kandahar City, Afghanistan. Captain Trevor Greene was in a meeting with the local village elders. As a CIMIC (Civilian-Military Cooperation) officer, Trevor was there to discuss Canadian reconstructive efforts with the locals. As a sign of respect towards the elders, he had removed his helmet. This gesture nearly cost him his life. A teenaged Afghan boy, under the influence of the Taliban, savagely buried a homemade axe deep into Trevor's skull, nearly cleaving his brain in two. His escort, a platoon from A-Company of the 1st Battalion PPCLI, killed the boy and managed to drag him to safety amid the heavy fire of an ambush, and within a short time

It's an hour before the event is scheduled to begin. A bevy of organizers, uniformed military, first responders, and Legionnaires mix freely with students going to and from classes. It's quite crowded and there's a palpable feeling of unreality in the atrium of Simon Fraser University's Surrey campus. Across the room stand two TVs. Both feature the words "Iron Soldier" in stark red and black letters—sans serif, naturally, and in all caps. It's a bold look. The name and style is reminiscent of a Hollywood blockbuster.

"What's going on here?" A voice asks. I'm startled. I look up from my notes to see a student in a grey hoodie regarding me with a bemused look. I don't answer right away. I almost don't know what to say to him. Where would I even begin?



Trevor was on the operating table in Kandahar airfield with some of the best trauma surgeons in the world working feverishly to save his life. There's a saying about the Kandahar Airfield hospital: "If you arrive alive, you will survive." The surgeons were as good as their word that day. Trevor pulled through the night, and after stabilizing, he was sent to the Landstuhl Regional Medical Centre in Germany to begin an uncertain recovery.

It's now about five minutes until the event begins. The atrium has calmed down a bit. Those students who have class have left, and those who are staying wait patiently outside the ring of chairs. Their curiosity about the "Iron Soldier" has gotten the best of them. The wail of bagpipes can be heard distantly—they must be practicing outside—and cadets rush about, furiously setting up more chairs to accommodate the larger-than-expected crowd. Most of the dignitaries wait patiently. Some play idly with their phones. The President of BC/Yukon Command of the Legion paces mechanically, lips pursed and eyes distant. He is practicing his speech in his head. No one who has a stake in this event is relaxed. It's no surprise. A lot of effort went into it. Today is a culmination of sorts.

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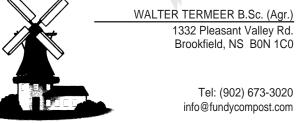
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"Can everyone please take your seats? We're about to begin."

Trevor survived the attack, and was safely moved to Germany, but his chances of recovery were still heartbreakingly low. The axe had done horrific damage to his brain. He was in a coma, and it was doubtful that he would ever wake up. Doctor's warned his fiancée, Debbie, that even if he did, he would likely be in a vegetative state for the rest of his life... As the speeches get underway at SFU, I catch a glimpse of Trevor's empty wheelchair behind a thick black curtain at the rear of the stage, and reflect on how inspiring it can be when doctors are proven wrong.

Most of the speeches are about what you'd expect. Each speaker takes their turn at the podium and pays scrupulous attention to thanking all those in attendance while giving short descriptions of their involvement with the project. Surrey Mayor Linda Hepner speaks, then the Associate Vice-President of Research at SFU, Norbert Haunerland,

then Michael Marchbank, CEO of Fraser Health, then Mark Tremblay, President of BC/Yukon Command of the Royal Canadian Legion. I can sense the crowd's growing impatience. I feel it myself. The speeches are short, but there are a lot of them—more than I would have expected. It's a very visible demonstration of how many different organizations have become involved in Trevor's story. The last to speak is Dr. Ryan D'Arcy, cochair of Innovation Boulevard and the lead neurosurgeon on Project Iron Soldier. His speech is about hope.

Trevor proved his doctors wrong. He came out of the coma, and over long months and years taught himself to smile and to speak again. Slowly, he began to rebuild his



life. The attack had catastrophically damaged the part of his brain that controls motor-function, but had left his thought and cognition centers unscathed. Trevor's recovery was nothing short of miraculous, but despite this, he was still hemmed in by limitations. Doctors made it clear that he would never walk again. Conventional wisdom, they told him, dictates that after six months a brain-injured person couldn't expect to see further improvements to their condition. However, Dr. D'Arcy and his team hypothesized that, even six years after the fact, the brain could still be taught to re-wire itself through a process of visualization and physical movement. Trevor was the perfect candidate to put this theory to the test. Together, he and Dr. D'Arcy hatched a plan to re-make him as the "Iron Soldier." Together, they set out to prove that a brain-injured person could actually walk again.

Finally, the moment of truth comes. A young girl behind me gives Dr. D'Arcy the thumbs up, signaling that all is ready. A hush falls over the crowd as Dr. D'Arcy steps back. The thick black curtain, which had provided the backdrop to all continued....



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of the speeches, is finally pulled aside to reveal Trevor Greene who is seated on a high stool, his legs and low back hugged tightly by the mechanical appendages of an exoskeleton. Debbie – now Trevor's wife – stands in front of him gripping a walker. A spotter behind him holds onto the exoskeleton. Without a word or ceremony, Trevor's lower body jerks into motion. His feet hit the floor, and his lower back is driven straight to the mechanical whirr of the machine. Trevor takes hold of the walker in front of him, and, guided by his wife, does what no one ever thought he would do again: he walks.

His steps are awkward and uncanny. They are the exaggerated and machine-like movements of an automaton. Trevor himself would later describe the feeling as that of a doll having its limbs moved about by an outside force. He walks across the stage slowly, driven on by the motors of the exoskeleton. His mouth is set firmly in concentration, and his eyes stare ahead almost unblinking. Effort is clearly drawn across his face. He reaches the end of the stage, and, as he turns, a slow smile breaks through the icy façade of his concentration. He's not smiling for the camera. That smile isn't for us. It's a personal, self-satisfied smile. It's amazing to see.

After Trevor gets back into his wheelchair, he is given the opportunity to speak. It's a short speech, but it's easily the most powerful of the afternoon. His voice cracks with emotion as he describes the way that Royal Canadian

Legion volunteers raised over 100,000 dollars to buy the exoskeleton he now sports. He tells the audience, "In a crisis, the right people come at the right time." His life is a testament to this principle. The right trauma-surgeons were on staff to keep him alive in Kandahar nine years ago, the right neurosurgeon was there to give him hope that he might walk again, the right organization was there is raise the money needed for this modern miracle to take place, and the right partner – Debbie – was there beside him through all the long days of his painfully slow recovery.

Trevor himself was also the right person. It would have been all too easy for him to give up hope—to accept his limitations and live out the rest of his life in relative ease. Doctors advised him to do this for years, and on his darkest days I'm sure that he was tempted. But he has never given up on his pursuit of recovery. In his short walk across the stage, he proved what the will of one man can accomplish when combined with the marvels of cutting edge technology and the generosity of thousands of everyday people. In his speech, Dr. D'Arcy said that Trevor's goal was to walk to Everest base-camp. Some may think this overly ambitious, but Trevor has made a habit of proving doubters wrong. He really is the "Iron Soldier"—not because of the exoskeleton strapped to his limbs, but because of his resolve. The iron is in his heart.





Major Margaret MacDonald

Matron-In-Chief of Canadian Nursing Sisters

Comparatively few Canadian soldiers have seen more active service on the field of battle than has Nursing Matron, Major Margaret MacDonald.

She was born at Bailey's Brook, Pictou County, Nova Scotia, and is a daughter of the late D.D. MacDonald, a descendant of the MacDonalds of Clanronald. That the spirit of the Scottish Highlands coursed generously through their veins, is evidenced by the fact that Mr. MacDonald himself was at one time Major and second-incommand of the 8th Regiment of Pictou County, and also by the fact that, besides Miss MacDonald, this patriotic family gave three officers to the Canadian Expeditionary Forces in the Great War: Colonel R. St. John MacDonald, Major D.D. MacDonald and Lieut. W.C. MacDonald. After school days at Bailey's Brook, she went to Halifax to study, and from there she went to New York to train as a nurse. Her course was finished just

about the time of the Spanish American War, and she offered her services to the United States government. They were accepted, and she saw service at Montauk Point. Later Miss MacDonald was made a member of the Spanish American War Nurses Association, and the American Red Cross Society.

At the outbreak of the South African War, she volunteered to the Canadian government and was accepted, leaving with the first Canadian Contingent for the front. Margaret came home with several other nurses, only to find that unpleasantness had again broke out and she was needed a second time in South Africa. She was one of the first women in Kimberly after the arrival of the relief expedition and was present at the taking of Pretoria.

Margaret then took a post-graduate course in New York, and following that, went to Panama. This piece of heroism will be better appreciated when it is understood that at the time the camps and hospitals were rank with pestilence. No one had dreamed of stamping out yellow fever, and those who dared live in Panama either defied it or were resigned to the possibility of dying as a result of it. It was – The Yellow Peril.

Sister MacDonald escaped yellow fever but contracted malaria. She went home, recovered and returned to Panama. She eventually witnessed the end of one of the most dreaded diseases of the tropics. She had seen 2500 panic-stricken men leave Panama at the outbreak of the epidemic, and she saw the last case of yellow fever which has been known in Panama.

Seeking to return home once more she was appointed Nursing Sister of the Canadian Permanent Army Medical Corps Nursing Service in November 1906, with the rank of Lieutenant. In 1911, the Militia Department of the Canadian government sent her to England to study the administration, organization and mobilization of the Queen Alexandra Imperial Nursing Service, an experience which stood her in good stead when war with Germany broke out, and she had to mobilize her small army of nurses for the first Canadian Contingent, which embarked for overseas service in 1914.

As Matron-In-Chief of all Canada's nursing sisters, some 3000, Margaret won more than national honour and esteem. She was decorated with the Royal Red Cross and the Florence Nightingale Medal.

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The "Morning Chronicle" of Halifax, during WWI, reported the following incident from the "Nursing Times".

The Nursing Times contains a report of an interesting and brilliant speech made at the first quarterly meeting of the new Association of Hospital Matrons by Miss Margaret MacDonald, Matron-In-Chief of the Canadian Nursing Service. The meeting, which was held in the Medical Secretary's Rooms in London, was attended by many of the chiefs of the Nursing Services in England. The Nursing Times reported Matron MacDonald as follows:

Miss MacDonald, Matron-In-Chief Canadian Nursing Services, congratulated the members upon the formation of the Association and its admirable object. It had but one fault, that it had not been given birth earlier. She believed she had seen every phase of Army nursing from the Rhine to the Jura – regimental aid posts advanced and main dressing stations of the field ambulances, casualty clearing stations, barge, stationary and general hospitals, ambulance trains and hospital ships – and one never ceased to marvel at their completeness in organization and administration. From the time a man became a "casualty" until he was marked "fit for duty" nothing that science had invented or human skill devised for the alleviation of suffering was lacking. Could any tribute be more flattering than the following extract from a soldier's letter, "I am in hospital, likely I'll lose an arm, the nurses are called Sisters – they are all so good and kind, more like a fellow's own sisters."

She had yet to hear of an instance where a soldier's attitude towards a nurse in uniform was other than one of deep esteem. Professional qualifications alone would not have inspired such a high and enviable regard; and this brought to her a subject of which she never tired, the Army Sisters. Their work in the Great War eclipsed anything the nursing world had ever seen. These noble women, by their work, carried on without aggression, without parade or self-consciousness, had attained for the profession at large a recognition that years of peace might not have brought.

The number of nurses employed in the combined theatres of war, totaled a colossal figure. It seems almost incredible that such vast organizations, composed entirely of women, governed by women, should during a crisis extending over four and a half years present an unbroken line.

"The Eastern Chronicle", New Glasgow, Nova Scotia, contained the following account of the welcome afforded Matron MacDonald on her arrival home, by her native County, Pictou:

An interesting gathering was held last evening in United Church Hall, when the Women's Council of East Pictou tendered a welcome home to Matron-In-Chief Margaret MacDonald of Bailey's Brook, Pictou County. Matron MacDonald was officer in command of the 3000 Canadian Red Cross Nurses who so heroically and devotedly gave their professional services on behalf of the wounded and ill during the Great War. Excellent speeches were made..., all extending the heartiest sort of a welcome home to Matron MacDonald, and giving expression to the magnificent work she carried on.

Matron MacDonald replied in a graceful speech and tendered highest praise to the Red Cross women of Canada, who so nobly supported the Red Cross workers in the field and hospitals near the front trenches. She was deeply appreciative of the welcome extended to her by the East Pictou Council of Women and would never forget their kindness.

Editor's note:

Our readers will notice that this entire article is written in the language of the 1914-1918 period, and taken from news reports of the same period. As a Canadian society we have changed a lot over the 100 years since the end of WWI, not necessarily for the better in the way we speak and write. It is understood that these books are sometimes used as reference material in our schools, and I would hope that the students who make use of these stories, will also take note of the grammar that their greatgreat grandparents used in their conversations and writings.



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Linked Portals of Remembrance

Story contributed by Ken Hynes, CD, MA

Chief Curator of the Army Museum Halifax Citadel and Project Director of the Last Steps Memorial Arch



In 2014, Project Artist, Nancy Keating, and Museum Governor, Corinne MacLellan, had a conversation in a coffee shop in Halifax about our collective need to do a better job commemorating Nova Scotia's part in the Great War and they came up with the idea of establishing a suitable art installation in Halifax, to mark the place where Nova Scotia's first complete infantry battalion and over 300,000 other Canadians left for service overseas. The result is, 'The Last Steps Memorial Arch'.

After the dedication of the 'Arch' on August 26, 2016, it was important to create a second 'portal of remembrance', on a battlefield, where tens of thousands of Canadian soldiers took their last steps in life or were forever changed by their wartime service. The place selected was Passchendaele.

With the unbelievable support of VSI World Wide Trading, the leadership of Visit Flanders, The Passchendaele Memorial Museum, the Town of Zonnebeke and other groups in Flanders,

Cover photo from 2016 edition Museum, the Town of Zonnebeke and other groups in Flanders, 'Canada Gate' was dedicated on November 9, 2017. Built by Nova Scotia craftsman, Al Simm of Avon River Metal Works, 'Canada Gate' was dedicated at a ceremony on the eve of the Centennial of the Battle of Passchendaele, as part of the official Canadian Commemoration Program.

Situated next to Crest Farm Canadian Memorial and 700 meters from the final objective of the Canadian Corps – Passchendaele Ridge, you can view the spire of Passchendaele Church through the twin arches of Canada Gate, leading visitors through those arches; perhaps in the very last footsteps of their ancestors, symbolically linking these two portals of remembrance together.

The most critical commemorative components for both of these projects are the burned impressions of the soldiers' footsteps. In the words of Artistic Director, Nancy Keating, "Their footsteps have always been there, we just couldn't see them." Both the 'Arch' and the 'Gate' are places where people can see and follow those representative footsteps, evoking the memory of their ancestors who served and a sense of pride in the role their own families played in the profound events of the Great War. Both 'The Last Steps Memorial Arch' and 'Canada Gate' have helped strengthen an emotional connection between those who visit these sites and their ancestors who left Canada for overseas service those many long years ago.



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Canadian victories at Amiens, the Drocourt-Queant Line, Canal du Nord, and the Pursuit to Mons were among the most difficult and costly battles of the entire war, with Canadian soldiers fighting a tough and disciplined enemy. Nova Scotia units like the Royal Canadian Regiment, the 25th Battalion Nova Scotia Rifles, the 85th Battalion Nova Scotia Artillerymen, Engineers and Service Corps soldiers, as well as the doctors and nurses in the field hospitals were all in the thick of it. However, those victories came with an enormous cost. More than 45,000 men of the Canadian Corps were killed, wounded, or went missing in action, representing close to 50 percent of the Corps' strength.

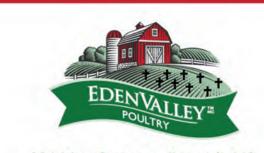
More than half of Canada's WWI dead lie in Flanders Fields. For this reason, 'Canada Gate' features representative footsteps, that lead one through the twin arches, in a way that helps illustrate the loss and tragedy of war, and one that requires a minimum of interpretation. Creating this second memorial has closed the circle of a nationally significant story, with a circumference that links Halifax and the people of Canada with Flanders. This project established a simple, powerful and emotional place of reflection for visitors to Passchendaele, where 16,000 Canadian soldiers were killed or wounded during the Third Battle of Ypres, between October and November 1917. While victory was achieved, it was the bloodiest battle fought by the Canadian Corps and one that is a major touch stone of Canada's entire Great War history.

Given the terrible price our country paid during this battle, the interpretive story at 'Canada Gate' speaks to the overall sacrifice of a young nation. The planning, conceptual framework and execution was all undertaken by the Army Museum Halifax Citadel project team, whose mission was to illuminate the perspectives of Canadians and other visitors fortunate enough to visit these sites, both in Halifax and in Zonnebeke. On this side of the Atlantic, the team will add additional interpretation and an image of 'Canada Gate' in Passchendaele, at the site of 'The Last Steps Memorial Arch'.



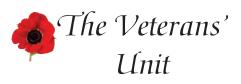
'The Last Steps Memorial Arch' was the first step in a linked series of steps, taken to ensure that our soldiers are never forgotten. Both the 'Arch' and the 'Gate' now stand as simple, enduring reminders of the importance of remembrance, connecting two verv meaningful sites together in a unique way. Both of these initiatives symbolize our ongoing, collective commitment to never forget, with the understanding that the spirits of soldiers past still watch over us today and, as long as we are free, we owe them everything.

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GREAT WAR VETERANS OF MAHONE BAY

The following list attempts to make note of all men and women of Mahone Bay and area who served in the Canadian Expeditionary Force (CEF), the full time reserve force in Canada or the US forces during the Great War of 1914 to 1918. The catchment area, used to compile this list, was established based upon Veteran lists found at the Mahone Bay Branch #049 of The Royal Canadian Legion. Approximately 60% of the names can be found on various memorial lists found at the local Legion and in some churches.

Two militia units existed in the area prior to the outbreak of the war on August 4, 1914. The 75th Regiment (Lunenburg) was an infantry unit. The 'No. 1 Siege Company, CGA (Canadian Garrison Artillery) was originally known as 'Mahone Bay Company of Garrison Artillery' (1893) and was re-designated as the 'Mahone Bay Company of Garrison Artillery, CA' (1895). Locally, the artillery unit had many names: Mahone Bay (Howitzer) Battery, Mahone Bay Brigade, No.1 Siege Battery, Composite Artillery, and Mahone Bay Artillery Battery. In 1911, it was designated as "No.1 Battery, 7th Regiment, Canadian Artillery" and in 1912 it was again re-named as "1st Siege Company, Canadian Artillery" under command of Major P. A. Ernst.

ADAMS, Irvine St. Clair

Irvin was the son of Henry and Mary Adams of Mahone Bay, NS, and enlisted in Lunenburg on December 29, 1915. Upon enlistment, he gave his occupation as "fisherman". During the 2^{nd} Battle of Arras, the Battalion sent out reconnaissance patrols on the nights of June 12 and 13, 1918. Twenty-one men would be wounded on the June 12 patrol and twenty-two men would be wounded on the June 13 action. Irvin was one of the wounded and would die of his wounds on June 14, 1918. His remains can be found in plot 2 H 22 in the Wailly Orchard Cemetery.

ALBRECHT, John Frederick

John was born in Mahone Bay on December 23, 1897 and was a school teacher there before enlisting. He was the son of Mrs. Elizabeth Albrecht of Mahone Bay. John enlisted in the full-time militia of Royal Canadian Garrison Artillery (RCGA) on March 26, 1916 in Halifax and spent two years at the Sandwich Point Battery outside Halifax prior to transferring to the CEF on June 22, 1918. He was discharged in Halifax on December 21, 1918 with the rank of corporal.

ANDREWS, Charles Abner

Charles was the husband of Edith Andrews of Mahone Bay and the son of Charles and Eleanor (Earnst) Andrews, also of Mahone Bay. He was born in Mahone Bay on May 31, 1872 and was living there when war was declared. At age 42, he had 27 years of service in the 75th Lunenburg Regiment (militia) and had been promoted to lieutenant-colonel in 1902. In mid-August, 1914, Lieutenant Colonel Charles Andrews was able to secure a permanent militia appointment to help create what would become the Canadian Expeditionary Force (CEF). He went overseas with the 14th Battalion in October 1914; however, there is no record indicating that he was an official member of the CEF at that time. He was returned to Canada in December 1914, as a "surplus" officer (according to a letter from Private Bruce Cameron in England, dated December 14, 1914, Andrews had turned down an opportunity to serve in a British regiment.) Andrews enlisted in the 40th Battalion of the CEF on September 13, 1915, in Val Cartier, Quebec, claiming that he was a building contractor. He served in the 40th Battalion as a major and accompanied the 17th Battalion (NS Highlanders) to England, in October 1915, as an attached acting lieutenant colonel. While in England a medical officer noted that Andrews' left arm was not functioning as it should. Andrews admitted that on September 20, 1914, while in Val Cartier, he had passed out for eighteen hours and awoke to find that his left arm was somewhat disabled. The doctors decided that he had had a slight stroke on that day and only had 50% use of his arm. He was returned home to Canada and was discharged from the CEF in April 1916. Former Lieutenant Colonel Andrews was determined to get overseas and into the fight somehow; so he enlisted as a private in the 236th Battalion (NB Kilties – Sir Sam's Own) in Fredericton on July 10, 1916, and was immediately promoted to the rank of "provisional" sergeant (he declared that he was a blacksmith by trade, but failed to declare that he had had been a senior officer in the 75th Regiment, the 40th Battalion and the 17th Battalion or that he had been to England). Somehow, he fooled the medical officer about the limited use of his left arm. He served as a sergeant in the 236th Battalion before being discharged as medically unfit in May 1917 in Fredericton. Charles Andrews never did make it to the front and passed away in 1949 in Liverpool of a heart attack.

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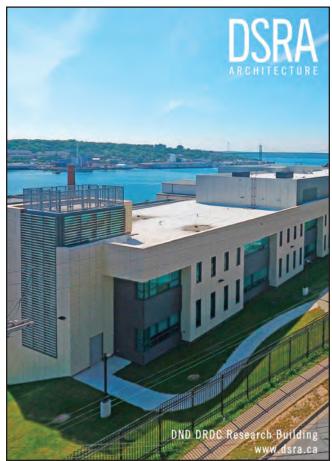


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AULENBACK, Benjamin Wesley

Benjamin was conscripted into the 1st Depot Battalion of the NS Regiment of the CEF on August 28, 1918 at Aldershot. Upon induction it was recorded that he was a farmer-lumberman; had been born in Farmville in November 1881; had two years of militia service with the 75th Regiment; and that his next of kin was his father, Mr. Benjamin Aulenback of Farmville. He was declared unfit for service, due to extreme varicose veins, and released on August 30, 1918.

AULENBACK, Harold

Harold was born in Mahone Bay on May 16, 1896 and was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ephraim Aulenback of Maitland Forks. He enlisted in the 25th Battalion in Halifax on November 15, 1914 declaring that his father as his next of kin; his trade as that of a farmer; he was single; and that he had no previous military experience. On September 19, 1915, he joined the 25th Battalion in France. In February 1916, he was posted to the Canadian Labour Corps in England and attached to the 5th Brigade of the Canadian Field Artillery. On March 3, 1916, he returned to the 25th Battalion and was then attached to the Canadian Overseas Railway Construction Corps until August 1916. In late August 1916, he rejoined the 25th Battalion in France and suffered shrapnel wounds to his back on September 16 during the Battle of Courcelette. In October of that year he was awarded a Good Conduct Badge and sent back to England to due to varicose veins in his leg. Harold was posted to the 242nd Battalion of the Canadian Forestry Corps on January 28, 1918 and returned to France with that battalion in February. Harold was discharged from the CEF in Halifax on April 5, 1919.

AULENBACK, Lancelot Herbert

Herbert was conscripted into the CEF on June 18, 1918. He was born in Blockhouse on November 22, 1893. Upon induction he declared that his next of kin was a Mr. Cornelius Aulenback of Blockhouse. Herbert was posted to the 1st Depot Battalion of the NS Regiment. He was discharged a few days later being declared "unfit for any military service."

AWALT, Fredy George

Fredy was born in Mahone Bay on May 3, 1896 and enlisted in the CEF in Halifax on June 12, 1915 - he was in England two months later. He declared that his next of kin was his 'father' Mr. Fred Awalt; that his trade was fireman; and that he had served nine months with the 75th Regiment. There are a few anomalies in his declaration: his second name was 'Roop' (not George) and his father was 'Kenneth J' (not Fred.) He served in France with the 13th Battalion and suffered gunshot wounds to his left forearm on September 10, 1915. He was hospitalized on June 16, 1916 with shell shock and again on September 24th with shrapnel wounds to his left hand. He was discharged in Halifax on March 22, 1919 with the rank of lance-corporal.

AWALT, George William

George was conscripted into the CEF on October 5, 1918 in Aldershot, NS. He was born in Mahone Bay on December 18, 1893. Upon induction he declared that his next of kin was his wife Elizabeth Awalt of Mahone Bay and that his trade was that of a carpenter. George was posted to the 1st Depot Battalion of the NS Regiment. He was discharged a few days later being declared "unfit for any military service."

AWALT, William Herbert

William was born in Mahone Bay on November 25, 1889. He was a farmer and was conscripted into the CEF on June 3, 1918 in Lunenburg. He declared that his father, Herbert Awalt was his next of kin. William was posted to the 1st Depot Battalion of the NS Regiment. He passed away in 1962 of a heart condition.

BARKHOUSE, Arnold Loraine

Arnold Barkhouse was born in Middle Cornwall on October 26, 1895. He did not serve in the CEF. He served for a year as a radio operator in Barrington Passage with a detachment of the reserve Composite Artillery.

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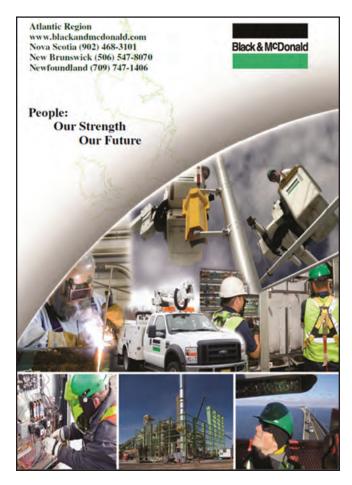
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BARKHOUSE, Daniel

Daniel enlisted in the 219th Battalion on March 20, 1916 in Mahone Bay. Upon enlisting he stated that he had been born in Martins River on July 13, 1896; he was a fisherman; and that his next of kin was his father William Barkhouse of Martins River. He arrived in England on October 18, 1916 and was posted to the 3rd Canadian Labour Battalion on January 10, 1917. He went to France on February 25, 1917 and was posted to the 11th Battalion of the Canadian Railway Troops (CRT). He survived the Spanish Flu in March 1919 and was discharged in Halifax on May 15 of that year. In January 1985, he was living in Toronto at which time he was requesting that his lost Great War medals be replaced.

BARKHOUSE, Ozem

Ozem was born in Martins Point on December 15, 1895 and enlisted in the RCGA in Halifax on November 11, 1915. He declared that he was a carpenter, had two years' experience with the 75th Regiment and that his next of kin was Jeannie Barkhouse of Martins Point. He was posted to the St. Lucia Battery. Gunner Ozem Barkhouse was discharged in Saint John, NB on May 2, 1919.

BARKHOUSE, Whitney Alfred

Whitney was conscripted into the 1st Depot Battalion of the NS Regiment on June 12, 1918, in Aldershot. He declared that he was born in Martins Point on October 23, 1890; he was a pipe fitter; and that Gideon Barkhouse of Martins Point was his next of kin. He passed away in 1952 of a heart condition.

The sons of Samuel and Lucilla (Ella) Barkhouse of Newburn:

BARKHOUSE, Harold

Harold enlisted in 246th Battalion on December 14, 1916 in Halifax. He declared that he had been born in Newburn in 1894; had thirteen months service in the 'home guard' (Royal Canadian Garrison Artillery (RCGA)); was a lumberman; and that this next of kin was his father Samuel Barkhouse of Newburn. His wife was Rose Barkhouse of Newburn. Harold served in France and Belgium with the 85th Battalion (NS Highlanders). He was invalided home to Canada on November 3, 1919 discharged on November 13, 1919 as medically unfit due to albuminuria.

BARKHOUSE, Ira Alvin

Ira enlisted in the CGA on December 6, 1918, in Halifax. He declared that he was born in Newburn on December 16, 1895; he was a farmer living in Halifax; and that his next of kin was his wife Hazel Barkhouse of Halifax. He served in Canada in the 1st Regiment of the CGA.

BARKHOUSE, Noble Haudy

Noble enlisted in the Canadian Garrison Artillery (CGA) on December 6, 1918 in Halifax. He declared that he was born in Newburn on April 8, 1898 and that his next of kin was his father Samuel Barkhouse of Newburn. He served in Canada in the 1st Regiment of the CGA.

BARRY, Banford LeRoy "Roy"

Roy enlisted in the 112th Battalion of the CEF in Bridgewater on March 3, 1916. He declared that he was born on May 31, 1892 in Maitland Forks; was a farmer; and that his father, Mr. Anthony Barry of Maitland Forks was his next of kin. Before going overseas, he set up a pay allotment to a Mrs. Trephina Barry of Maitland Forks. Banford served in France with the 25th Battalion and suffered a gunshot wound to his right thigh on August 17, 1918. He was discharged in Halifax on February 27, 1919.

BARRY, Dennis Jeremiah

Dennis was born in Maitland Forks on January 22, 1897 and joined the CEF at age eighteen on December 29, 1915 in Lunenburg, NS. He was a farmer and the son of Charlotte and James Barry. After training with the 112 Battalion (The Annapolis Regiment), Dennis would join many other Mahone Bay men in Nova Scotia's 25th Battalion (Nova Scotia Rifles). Dennis would die of wounds received during the Battle for Cambrai on October 12, 1918. His remains are buried in plot 2F 18 in the Canada Cemetery in Tilloy-les-Cambrai, France.

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BECK, Harvey Joshua

Harvey was conscripted into the 1st Depot Battalion of the NS Regiment on June 12, 1918 in Aldershot. He declared that he was residing in Mahone Bay; was born in Newburn on June 17, 1895; was a farmer; and that Reuben Beck of Mahone Bay was his next of kin. He passed away on January 23, 1967 at his home in Milford, Michigan.

BECK, Willis

Willis was born in Blockhouse on November 1, 1897 and enlisted in the Royal Canadian Regiment on November 1, 1915 in Halifax. He declared that he was a fisherman by trade and that his next of kin was his father Henry Beck of Blockhouse. While in France on December 15, 1916 it was discovered that Willis had lied about his age upon enlisting and that his true date of birth was November 5, 1898. He suffered shrapnel wounds to his right arm during the fighting around the Souchez River on June 9, 1917. He suffered a major concussion from enemy shell fire on October 7, 1917. In mid-September 1918, he was returned to England suffering from shell shock. On October 29, 1918 he was granted permission to marry a local English woman; however, it is not clear if he ever married. Nonetheless, he started a pay allotment to a Mrs. Alice Beck of Hants, England on November 16 and declared her as his new next of kin. Willis stopped that allotment of his pay on December 1, 1918. He was discharge on February 6, 1919 in Halifax.

BOUCHER, Harold Peters

Harold Boucher was born on August 6, 1889 in Sittingbourne, Kent, England and was conscripted in the 1st Depot Battalion of the Nova Scotia Regiment in Halifax on March 12, 1918. Upon induction he stated that his next of kin was his father, Frank Boucher of Sittingbourne and that he was an accountant employed by the Bank of Montreal in Lunenburg. He was discharged a few short hours after his induction when he volunteered to serve in the Royal Flying Corps. He served in Canada as a secondlieutenant in the newly formed Royal Air Force.

BRUHM, Albert Wentworth

Albert was born in Mahone Bay on May 24, 1873 and was a 44-year-old tailor living in Riverport when he enlisted in the 112th Battalion of CEF on January 18, 1916. He was the husband of Mrs. Harriett Bruhm and the father of Louise Bruhm. He declared that his mother Mrs. Louisa Bruhm of Mahone Bay was his next of kin. Albert arrived in England in July 1916 and, probably due to his age, was posted to the 26th Reserve Battalion. In February 1917 he was diagnosed with myalgia and returned to Canada. Albert Bruhm was discharged in Halifax on November 18, 1917. He passed away in Mahone Bay in 1949.

BRUHM, Angus

Angus enlisted in the 112th Battalion on March 2, 1916 in Bridgewater. Upon enlisting he declared that he had been born in West Northfield on March 21, 1889 and that his next of kin was his brother, Lock Bruhm. Private Angus Bruhm was discharged on May 3, 1916, as medically unfit due to "bad feet."

BRUHM, Ira Wendall

Ira, the son of Robert and Susie Bruhm, "officially" enlisted in CEF on December 12, 1918 in Halifax. He declared that he had been born in Blockhouse on November 18, 1900, (in fact he was born on November 18, 1901) and that his mother was his next of kin. Fifteen-year-old Ira Bruhm lied about his age and enlisted in the full-time militia in May 1917. He served with the Halifax Composite Battalion and the Royal Canadian Engineers in Halifax. Officially, based upon the military regulations of the time, he became part of the CEF on June 22, 1918 (his December 12 enlistment was purely an administration function). Sapper Bruhm was discharged as medically unfit, due to a nasal obstruction, on May 22, 1919 in Halifax.

BURGOYNE, Arthur Bennett

Arthur was serving as a militiaman in Halifax when he opted to voluntarily transfer to the CEF. Arthur was born in Mahone Bay on November 9, 1887 and enlisted in the 1st Depot Battalion of the NS Regiment in Halifax on April 16, 1918. Upon enlisting he noted that his trade was fireman; that he had two years of service in the Halifax Composite Battalion; and that his next of kin was Mrs. Harriett E Burgoyne. Arthur arrived in England on July 27, 1918 and was quickly posted to the 87th Battalion in France. He was wounded and declared medically unfit for service on November 30, 1918. Arthur returned to Canada and was discharged in Halifax on June 5, 1919. His son Laurel would serve as a pilot in the RCAF during WWII. Arthur passed away in 1966.

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The sons of Lawrence and Jemina Cameron of Mahone Bay:

CAMERON, Bruce Malcolm

Bruce was an 18-year-old from Mahone Bay, NS, when he joined the CEF and was assigned to the 16th Battalion (the Canadian Scottish). He would survive wounds received in October 1915, but he would be killed on June 13, 1916, during the Battle for Hill 62 in the Ypres Salient. Bruce was buried at the Railway Dugouts Burial Ground outside Ypres, however, at some time during the battle for Ypres Salient, the burial ground was shelled by German artillery and his remains were disrupted. Today, "Special Memorial" H 28 can be found at the Railway Dugouts Burial Ground making note of the fact that his remains are buried somewhere in the cemetery.

CAMERON, Donald William

Donald was born in Mahone Bay on December 3, 1891. He was living in Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan when he enlisted there on January 3, 1916 and joined the 128th Battalion. Upon enlisting he declared that he was a grocery clerk and that his father was his next of kin. Donald was gassed during the fighting in the Ypres Salient. The 1946 Trinity United Church honour roll of Great War veterans includes the name of Donald Cameron.

CAMERON, Ewen M.

Ewen was born in Pugwash on January 19, 1890 and his family moved to Mahone Bay when Ewen was a boy. Ewen was an electrician by trade and was amongst the first Canadian to enlist in the CEF. He enlisted in the 11th Battalion in Val Cartier on September 27, 1914. He was gassed during the 2nd Battle of Ypres in April 1915 and was wounded twice before the war ended.

CHISHOLM, James Stanley

James served in the Canadian Army Medical Corps as a captain. He enlisted in the CEF in Halifax on September 7, 1916 declaring that he was a physician; that he had been born in Halifax on August 21, 1887; and that his next of kin was Harriett Chisholm of Halifax. He served at Hillingdon House, Canadian Convalescent Hospital, London, UK. Dr. Chisholm moved to Mahone Bay after the war.

COCHRAN, Wilfred Northrup

Wilfred served in the Canadian Army Medical Corps as a captain. He enlisted in the CEF in Halifax on December 6, 1916 declaring that he was a physician; had been born in Scotch Village on July 1, 1877; and that his next of kin was his wife, Louise Cochran of Mahone Bay. Dr. Cochran initially served in a military hospital in Halifax and later served in France and Belgium with the 8th Field Ambulance. He passed away in Mahone Bay in 1932 of a heart condition.

COGGIN (COGGON), George Arthur

George was born in Sussex, NB, to Thomas and Myrtle Coggin on March 4, 1889. It appears that he enlisted in the CEF in 1914 and may have severed in the 2nd Field Bakery of the CASC. He was a charter member of Branch 49 Mahone Bay of the Royal Canadian Legion. During WWII his son Allan served in Burma as a pilot in the RCAF.

COLWELL, Ray John, DSO, ED, MSc

Ray enlisted as a second-lieutenant in the 1st Depot Battalion of the NS Regiment on July 13, 1918 in Halifax. Upon enlisting he noted that he had been born on August 11, 1899 in Halifax; that his mother, Mrs. H C Colwell was his next of kin; and that he was a machinist by trade. He had been a member of the 63rd Regiment of the local militia and had served eleven months in the Halifax Composite Battalion and two months in the 6th Battalion of the Canadian Garrison Regiment (CGR). He remained in the militia after the war. In 1935 he was appointed as the commanding officer of the Halifax Rifles and remained in that position until 1943. As a lieutenant-colonel, commanding the 1st Canadian Hussars he was awarded the Distinguished Service Order ('immediate' for gallantry) on June 11, 1944 for his actions in Normandy during the horrific Battle of Le Mesnil-Patry. In 1955 Brigadier General Colwell was appointed as the honorary colonel of the Halifax Rifles. Ray received the Efficiency Decoration and the Meritorious Service Cross. He retired to Mahone Bay and was an active member of the local Royal Canadian Legion.

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CORKUM, Harold Victor

Harold was born in Chester on May 15, 1898 to Alpheus and Emma Corkum. He was teaching school in Mahone Bay in 1917 and it appears that he served in the militia during the war. He was appointed as the principal of the Mahone Bay School in 1929 and started a cadet corps for the boys of the town. Harold took a leave of absence to go to war in 1939. Major Corkum served in WNSR during WWII and was awarded the Efficiency Decoration in June 1944. He was elected as the mayor of Mahone Bay in 1960 and passed away in office in 1975.

CORKUM, Perley Lorrain

Perley was born on December 12, 1897 in New Cornwall and enlisted in the 112th Battalion on March 14, 1916 in Parkdale. He declared that he was a lumber man, single, and that his father, Samuel Corkum of Barrs Corner was his next of kin. He also stated that he had attended the summer training camp of the 75th Regiment in 1914.

CREASER, Harold James William

Harold was born on July 17, 1898 in Lower LaHave. He enlisted in the 9th Siege Battery of the CGA on September 24, 1917 in Lower LaHave. He declared that he was a clerk by trade and that his father, Captain Stannage Creaser of Lower LaHave was his next of kin.

CROSSLAND, Simeon Roy

Simeon was a farmer who was conscripted into the 1st Depot Battalion of the NS Regiment on November 13, 1917 in Bridgewater, NS. Upon his induction he declared that he was born in Walden on June 27, 1897 and was the son of Silas Crossland of Walden. Simeon passed away on January 19, 1977.

The sons of Joseph and Mary Crossland of Clearland:

CROSSLAND, George Edward

George was conscripted into the 1st Depot Battalion of the NS Regiment on June 12, 1918 in Aldershot, NS. Upon his induction he declared that he lived in Mahone Bay and was born there on February 7, 1897. He also noted that his next of kin was his father, Joseph Crossland of Clearland. He passed away from cancer in 1942.

CROSSLAND, Maynard Laendar

Upon enlisting Maynard stated that he was born on March 8, 1897 in Clearland (this appears to be a false statement as his brother would have been born one month before him). He was a cooper by trade and the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Crossland of Clearland. Maynard enlisted in the CEF on November 10, 1915 noting that he had two months service as a militia artilleryman in the 1st Siege Battery. He was posted to the St. Lucia Battery of the Royal Canadian Garrison Artillery (RCGA).

The sons of Charles and Delilah Cushing of Mahone Bay:

CUSHING, Cyril LeRoi

Cyril was born on July 5, 1892 in Mahone Bay and was a machinist when he enlisted in the Composite Battalion on August 15, 1915 in Halifax. He was still in Halifax when he opted to transfer to the 6th Battalion of the Canadian Garrison Regiment on May 28, 1918. Cyril was discharged in February 1919.

CUSHING, Gilbert Basil

Basil was married to Gertrude Cushing and living in Halifax when he was conscripted into the CEF on December 1, 1917. He was born on November 17, 1897 in Caledonia. Gilbert had three years of militia service in the Halifax Composite Battalion and was posted to the 1st Depot Battalion of the NS Regiment. He passed away in 1954 of a heart attack.

CUSHING, Reginald Victor

Reginald was born in Caledonia, NS, on December 17, 1889. He was employed as a telegraph operator when he enlisted in the Canadian Army Service Corps in Winnipeg on December 7, 1915. He passed away in 1963 of a heart condition.

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DAURIE, Gordon

Gordon was born in Mahone Bay on October 2, 1896 to Mr. and Mrs. Albert Daurie. He was a clerk by trade and spent fourteen months in the Composite Battalion before enlisting in the RCGA of the CEF on November 16, 1915 in Halifax. Gordon was posted to the St. Lucia Battery. He passed away in Mahone Bay in October 1976.

DAURIE, Guy Gilbert

Guy enlisted in the CEF on May 18, 1918 in Aldershot, NS. Upon enlistment he stated that he was born in Mahone Bay on February 9, 1900; his next of kin was his mother, Mrs. Fannie Daurie of Mahone Bay; and his trade was that of a bandsman. Guy was posted to a 'highlander company.'

DAURIE, Roy Randolph

Roy was born in Mahone Bay on March 1, 1897 to Mr. and Mrs. Albert Daurie. He was a painter by trade and spent seven months in the 1st Siege Battery before enlisting in the RCGA of the CEF on November 10, 1915 in Halifax. Roy was posted to the St. Lucia Battery.

DEAN, Ozam Roy "Ozem"

Ozem was a son of Alexander and Emma (Joudrey) Dean of Blockhouse and was born on May 25, 1893. He enlisted in the 1st Depot Battalion of the NS Regiment on April 24, 1918 in Halifax. Upon enlisting he stated that he was a farmer and that his mother was his next of kin. He served a physical training instructor and was the Canadian Army middle weight boxing champion. Ozam was discharged with the rank of sergeant in 1919. He passed away on September 20, 1994 at the age of 101 and is buried in Blockhouse.

DEMONE, Ray James

Ray was born on December 2, 1891 in Upper Cornwall and enlisted in the 112th Battalion on March 31, 1916 in Bridgewater. Upon enlisting he noted that his next of kin was his mother, Mrs. Levina Demone of Upper Cornwall; that he was a farmer by trade; and that he had served as a reserve soldier in the 75th Regiment. He was wounded during the fighting around Courcelette. Later in life he became a member of the Royal Canadian Legion and passed away in 1963.

DEVINS, John "Jack"

Jack was born on November 15, 1897 in Duntroon Ontario and enlisted in the 157th Battalion (Simcoe Foresters) on February 16, 1916. Upon enlisting he declared that his mother, Mrs. N Devins was his next of kind. He married Hazel Mosher, originally of Indian Point in Winnipeg on December 8, 1920. Jack and Hazel came to live in Mahone Bay in the late 1920s. Jack passed away on Remembrance Day in 1973.

DOREY, Halton

Halton was the son of H. Truman Dorey and Bessie Dorey of Newburne, Lunenburg County, NS. He joined the CEF on September 13, 1915, in Sussex, NB, at the age of eighteen. Halton was severely wounded during a night time bombing patrol in no-man's land on June 9, 1918, during the 2nd Battle of Arras. He died three days later and is buried in plot 2 H 17 in the Wailly Orchard Cemetery.

DOREY, Norman

Norman enlisted in the Corps of Canadian Engineers on August 28, 1915 in Sussex, NB. He declared that he had been born in Union Square on March 1, 1888; he was a railroad section man; and that his next of kin was his wife Ella Dorey of Auburn. Sapper Norman Dorey was posted to the 1st Tunnelling Company and would fight in the underground war in France and Belgium.

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The sons of John and Mary Dorey of Walden:

DOREY, Clarence Wesley

Wesley was born in Clearland on April 20, 1891. Upon enlisting in the 64th Battalion at Sussex, NB on September 3, 1915, he declared that his next of kin was his father John Dorey of Clearland and that he was a mariner by calling. Wesley was posted to the 'fighting' 26th Battalion for service at the front and was wounded. After the war he became one of the charter members of Branch 49 Mahone Bay of the Royal Canadian Legion. He served overseas in the Canadian Army during WWII. It appears that he was returned to Canada in late 1943 and was medically discharged. He passed away from cancer in 1944.

DOREY, Parker Louis

Parker was born on June 1, 1886 in Mahone Bay (he changed the date to 1887 upon enlisting). He was a lumberman by trade and declared, upon enlistment, that his next of kin was his father, John Dorey of Walden. Parker enlisted in the 112th Battalion on December 28, 1915 in Middleton. His brother Willis had enlisted in the same battalion twelve days earlier. Parker was wounded during the war.

DOREY, Willis Russell

Willis enlisted in the 112th Battalion on December 16, 1915 in Middleton. Upon enlisting he stated that he had been born in Walden on November 22, 1893; that his next of kin was his father, John Dorey of Walden; and that his trade was that of a lumberman. He served as a corporal in the Veterans Guard of Canada during WWII and passed away on March 31, 1975.

The sons of Benjamin and Ester Dorey of Mahone Bay:

DOREY, Freeman

Freeman was the son of Benjamin Dorey of Mahone Bay and enlisted twice in the CEF (it is not clear why he was released after his first enlistment.) When he enlisted in the 112th Battalion in Lunenburg on December 18, 1915 he declared that he had been born in Clearland on February 21, 1894. He was posted to the Halifax Composite Battalion on July 22, 1916. When he enlisted in the Canadian Engineers on November 20, 1918 in Halifax he declared that he had been born in Clearland on February 21, 1885. He did note that he had eight months service with the 112th Battalion, but also noted that he had previous service in the Royal Canadian Engineers (regular force). He was posted to No. 6 Engineer Depot in Halifax.

DOREY, Roy

Roy enlisted in the 112th Battalion on December 18, 1915 in Mahone Bay. He declared that he had been born in Clearland on November 6, 1892 and that his next of kin was his father, Benjamin Dorey of Mahone Bay.

DUKESHIRE, Clinton Boothby

Clinton was born on March 20, 1893 in Caledonia, NS. He enlisted in the 17th Battalion and served in the transport company with the rank of sergeant. Upon enlisting on January 12, 1916 at Sling Plantation in England he declared that Beneiah Dukeshire was his legal next of kin. After the war he lived in Shelburne and Caledonia and returned to army service during WWII. He settled in Maders Cove in 1961.

EARNEST, Albert "ERNEST, Albert/ERNST Albert"

Albert was born in Mahone Bay on January 3, 1891 and enlisted in the Corps of Canadian Engineers on January 21, 1915 in Ottawa. Sapper Earnest was posted to the 2nd Divisional Signals Company and was wounded during the war. Upon enlisting he stated that he was a locomotive fireman by trade and that his next of kin was a Mrs. Eunice Earnest of Mahone Bay. He passed away in Blockhouse in 1974.

EARNEST, Lewphene "ERNEST, Lawphene"

Lewphene was born on October 5, 1893 in Blockhouse and was conscripted into the 1st Depot Battalion of the NS Regiment on June 3, 1918 in Aldershot. Upon his induction he declared that his mother, Mrs. Emma Earnest of Blockhouse as his next of kin and that he was a farmer.

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EICHEL, Jeremiah Nathan

Jeremiah was conscripted into the 1st Depot Battalion of the Nova Scotia Regiment on November 5, 1917 in Halifax. He stated that he had been born on January 6, 1897 in Maitland and that his next of kin was his father, Mr. James Eichel of Maitland. He passed away in 1938.

EICHEL, Spurgeon Dimock

Spurgeon enlisted in the 249th Battalion on March 28, 1917 in Regina. He declared that he had been born in Bridgewater on April 24, 1895 (in fact he had been born in Maitland); was a railway fireman; and that his next of kin was his father, Nathan Eichel of Bridgewater. In 1932, while living in Chicago he became an American citizen and passed away in Tennessee in 1967.

EISENHAUER, Glynn

Glynn was born in Martins River on March 6, 1895 and enlisted in the RCGA on March 28, 1917. He stated that his next of kin was his mother, Mrs. Bessie Eisenhauer of Somerset, Kings County, NS. Gunner Eisenhauer served in the St. Lucia Battery in the Caribbean and was discharged in August 1919.

EISENHAUER, Harris Charles

Harris was born in Lunenburg on February 1, 1893 and enlisted in the 219th Battalion in Lunenburg on March 6, 1916. He stated that his next of kin was a Mrs. Martha Eisenhauer of Lunenburg and that he was a school teacher. He returned home after the war with the rank of corporal. He passed away in 1962 of a heart condition.

EISENHAUR, Ralph Gurney

Ralph was conscripted into the 1st Depot Battalion of the NS Regiment on August 6, 1918 in Aldershot. He claimed that he was born in Maders Cove on April 23, 1894; he was a ship carpenter by trade; and that his next of kin was his wife, Mrs. Sally Eisenhauer of West LaHave.

EISENER, Artemas Leo

Artemas was living in Mahone Bay when he enlisted in the 219th Battalion on July 28, 1916 in Halifax. Upon enlisting, as an officer, he declared that he had been born in Lunenburg on April 21, 1891; his occupation was that of a 'traveller'; he had reserve experience in the 1st Siege Company; and that his next of kin was his mother, Mrs. David Eisener of New Cornwall. He served as a lieutenant.

EISNOR, Albert G.

Albert was conscripted into the 1st Depot Battalion of the NS Regiment on July 16, 1918 in Aldershot. He claimed that he was born in Indian Point on December 25, 1895; was a fisherman by trade; and that his next of kin was his mother, Mrs. Flora Eisnor of Martins River.

EISNOR, Anthony Fenwick

Anthony enlisted in the 6th Battalion of the Canadian Garrison Regiment on May 8, 1918, in Halifax. He stated that he was born in Mahone Bay on June 6, 1893; was a clerk; had three years reserve service in the 69th Regiment; and that his next of kin was his mother, Mrs. Adelaide Eisnor of Maders Cove.

EISNOR, Charles Warren

Charles was born on July 20, 1893 in Walden and enlisted in the Canadian Army Service Corps in Halifax on December 14, 1916. He declared that he was a teamster by trade and that his next of kin was his wife, Mildred Eisnor of Walden. He passed away in 1944.

EISNOR, Russell Aubrey

Russel enlisted in the Canadian Army Medical Corps on August 7, 1917 in Halifax. He declared that he had been born in Northwest on October 28, 1896; was a farmer; and that his next of kin was his mother, Mrs. Sophia Eisnor of Northwest.

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EISNOR (EISNHAUER), Murray A.C.

Murray served with the 21st Battalion. He was gassed on December 30, 1919 and passed away from his wounds in Canada.

EISNOR, Marshall Ward

Marshall enlisted in the 6th Battalion of the Canadian Garrison Regiment on September 4, 1918 in Halifax. He stated that he had been born in Martins River on November 7, 1901. He declared that he was a farmer; had two years of service with a 'composite unit;' and that his next of kin was his mother, Mrs. Norman Eisnor of Martins River.

EISNOR (EISENHAUER), Willis

Willis was born in Oakland on July 17, 1897 and enlisted in the CGA in Halifax on November 10, 1915. He stated that his next of kin was Rueben Eisnor of Oakland and that he had served sixteen days in the RCGA. He was posted to the St. Lucia Battery.

EISNOR, Wellesley Lepean

Wellesley was conscripted into the 1st Depot Battalion of the NS Regiment on October 16, 1918 in Halifax. He claimed that he was born in Indian Point on October 12, 1896; was a fisherman and mariner; and that his next of kin was his mother, Mrs. Emma Eisnor of Indian Point.

ERNST, Freeman Nelson

Freeman was a farmer who was born in Union Square on July 1, 1896. He was conscripted into the 1st Depot Battalion of the NS Regiment on June 11, 1918 in Aldershot, at which time he declared that his next of kin was his mother, Mrs. Lavina Ernst and that his calling was that of a farmer. He passed away of a heart attack in 1950.

ERNST, James Gordon

James was a farmer who was born in Mahone Bay on April 14, 1896. He was conscripted into the 1st Depot Battalion of the NS Regiment on June 8, 1918 in Amherst, at which time he declared that his next of kin was his father, Mr. Alfred Ernst of Mahone Bay and that his calling was that of a farmer.

ERNST, Leo A.

Leo was born in Maders Cove on August 12, 1895 and enlisted in the RCGA of the CEF on November 10, 1915 in Halifax. He declared that his next of kin was his father, Titus Ernst of Maders Cove and that his calling was that of a farmer. He was posted to the St Lucia Battery. He passed away on May 26, 1967.

ERNST, Naaman Amos

Naaman was born in Blockhouse on June 4, 1893 and enlisted in the 112th Battalion of the CEF on December 6, 1915 in Lunenburg. Upon enlisting he declared that his next of kin was his mother, Mrs. Simeon Ernst and that he was a barber by trade. He returned home after the war with the rank of lance-sergeant. He passed away in 1950.

ERNST, Robert Cecil

Robert was born in Blockhouse on August 11, 1899. He was conscripted into the 1st Depot Battalion of the NS Regiment on June 5, 1918 in Amherst, at which time he declared that his next of kin was his mother, Mrs. Maude Ernst and that he was a clerk by trade.

ERNST, Russell

Russell was born in Mahone Bay on August 11, 1899 and enlisted in the CEF, at age sixteen, in Mahone Bay on March 10, 1916. Upon enlisting he declared that his next of kin was his mother, Bertha Ernst of Mahone Bay. In August 1916 he turned seventeen and was posted to B Company of the 219th Battalion.

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ERNST, William Gordon, PC, MC and bar, KC

William was born on October 18, 1897 and enlisted in the 193rd Battalion on April 4, 1916 in Windsor. Upon enlisting he noted that he had been born in Mahone Bay; was a student at Kings College; and that his next of kin was his father, E.A. Ernst of Mahone Bay. William would end the war as a captain. He served at the front with the 85th Battalion and was wounded on August 17, 1917, again in April and in May 1918. William was awarded the Military Cross with Bar for bravery in the field – twice.

Citation: 17 May 1918: For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. This officer organized and carried out a night raid for identification purposes. Finding his original objective unoccupied, he pushed along the enemy's front-line trench for 200 yards with only 3 men until he met an enemy post. A bombing fight ensued, in which two of the enemy were killed and one wounded and identification was procured. He was wounded the next day on a reconnaissance patrol.

Citation for second award – 5 November 1918: For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty throughout the Valenciennes operations from 1^{st} to 6^{th} November, 1918, during which he made an extremely dangerous and difficult reconnaissance, which required the utmost skill and daring, and resulted in information which ensured the complete success of the attack by the battalion on Quarouble on the 5^{th} November.

After the war he earned a BA from Kings College, was a Rhodes Scholar in Oxford in 1921 and graduated from Dalhousie Law School in 1922. As a conservative he was elected to the House of Commons in 1926 and 1930. In 1935 he became the youngest Minister of Fisheries in the government of Canada. He was an avid sportsman and passed away suddenly in his law office on July 12, 1939. His son, Flying Officer William Burton Ernst, was a navigator in the RCAF during WWII and was killed during training in 1944.

The sons of Captain John and Mary Freeman of Mahone Bay:

FREEMAN, Arol Henry

Arol was conscripted into the 1st Depot Battalion of the NS Regiment on April 16, 1918 in Halifax. He declared that his mother, Mrs. Mary Freeman of Mahone Bay was his legal next of kin and that he had been born in Mahone Bay on November 21, 1899. Upon enlisting he stated that he has served 34 months in the Halifax Composite Battalion. He passed away in 1956 of a heart condition.

FREEMAN, Howard Pearson

Howard was only sixteen years old when enlisted in the 219th Battalion on March 10, 1916, in Mahone Bay. He lied about his age when he enlisted stating that he was born in 1899 (he was born in Mahone Bay on June 14, 1900) and declared that his mother, Mrs. Mary Freeman of Mahone Bay his next of kin.

FEENER, John Edward Freeman

John enlisted in the 219th Battalion on March 10, 1916 in Mahone Bay. Upon enlisting he declared that he was born in LaHave in November 1875 (in fact his real date of birth was November 8, 1873), was living in Mahone Bay and that his next of kin was his wife, Almina Feener. He was later transferred to the 246th Battalion (NS Highlanders).

GABRIEL, John A.

John was born on April 3, 1889 in St. George's Bay, Newfoundland and was a lumberman living in Mahone Bay when he married Lilla Mosher of Blockhouse in 1911. He was farming in Blockhouse when he enlisted in the 1st NS Forestry Company of the Canadian Forestry Corps on April 17, 1917, in Truro. Upon enlisting he noted that his next of kin was his wife, Lillie Gabriel of Blockhouse and that he had previous service in the "Mahone Bay Howitzer Battery."





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The sons of Jacob and Caroline Hallamore of Middle Cornwall:

HALLAMORE, Charles Kenneth

Charles was born in New Cornwall on December 15, 1896. He was living in Mahone Bay when he enlisted in the 219th Battalion on March 13, 1916 in Mahone Bay. He declared that his mother, Caroline Hallamore of New Cornwall his next of kin and that he had six months service with the composite artillery battery in Bear River. He served at the front with the 85th Battalion and was wounded on April 9, 1917 during the attack on Vimy Ridge and again on June 19, 1917 at Lens. Kenneth would survive being buried alive during some fierce shelling and would be invalided home due to shell shock.

HALLAMORE, Sidney Raymond

Sidney enlisted in the 25th Battalion of the CEF on January 5, 1915 in Halifax. He was born in Middle Cornwall on September 24, 1894 and became a lumberman. Upon enlisting he declared that his mother, Mrs. C Hallamore of Middle Cornwall was his next of kin. He lost a leg during the war and became a charter member of Branch 49 Mahone Bay of the Royal Canadian Legion. He passed away on November 17, 1967.

HAM, Oberlin Joseph

Oberlin was born in Mahone Bay on January 27, 1897 and enlisted in the 64th Battalion of the CEF on September 18, 1916 in Sussex, NB. Upon enlisting he stated that he was a chauffeur by trade and that his next of kin was his mother Mrs. E Ham of New Germany. Oberlin suffered a gas wound during the war.

HAMM, Alexander Leopold

Alexander enlisted in the 85th Battalion (NS Highlanders) in Halifax in on October 12, 1915. Information about his Great War service is sparse. He declared that his next of kin was Mrs. Mary Hamm of Mahone Bay. He was gassed during the fighting and ended the war as a Company Sergeant-Major.

HAMM, Maurice Benjamin

Maurice was a 20-year-old clerk when he joined the CEF on November 1, 1917. He had been born in Mahone Bay and listed his mother, Mary Hamm of Mahone Bay as his next of kin. Maurice went overseas with the 10th Siege Battery of the Canadian Garrison Artillery and was stricken by the Spanish influenza on November 8, 1918. He returned to Mahone Bay in the spring of 1919 in a much weakened condition. On March 10, 1922, Maurice succumbed to the effects of that influenza.

HAMM, James St. Clair

James enlisted in the 6th Battalion Canadian Garrison Regiment on November 6, 1918 in Halifax. He was the son of David and Selina Hamm and was serving as an active militia soldier in July 1916 when he married Gladys J. O'Brien of Pleasantville.

HAMMOND, James Angus

James was born on September 23, 1888 in New Germany and enlisted in the 40th Battalion on April 13, 1915, in Liverpool. His next of kin was recorded as being his mother Mrs. James Hammond of New Germany. He suffered a gas wound during the war and was sent to the Canadian Red Cross Special Hospital in Buxton, Derbyshire, to recuperate.

HAMMOND, Thomas

Thomas was born in Scarsdale, Nova Scotia in 1887. He was among more than 200 Mi'kmaq from Atlantic Canada to volunteer for the Great War. Despite limited civil rights at home and cultural barriers within the military, First Nations enlistments were significant across the country. Thomas joined the 26th New Brunswick Battalion of the Canadian Expeditionary Force as a Private in 1915, but was tragically killed during the Somme Offensive the following year, on September 17, 1916. He participated in the intense fighting of the Battle of Flers-Courcelette in northern France from which his body was never recovered. He was 29 years old. A number of Mi'kmaq received awards for bravery and distinguished service. One sma'knis (solider), Stephen Toney of Pictou Landing, was among the most decorated snipers in the entire Allied Army.

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HARDY, Noble Wellington, MM and bar

Noble enlisted in the 219th Battalion in Mahone Bay on March 10, 1916. Upon enlisting he declared that his mother, Mary Hardy of Mahone Bay, was his next of kin; his trade was that of a mechanic; that he was born in Mahone Bay on July 24, 1890; and that he had severed as a militia artilleryman for six months with No.1 Siege Battery. Noble served in France and Belgium with the 85th Battalion. He was wounded at Vimy Ridge and was awarded the Military Medal and bar, twice, for bravery in the field. He ended the war as a sergeant. During WWII he was a lieutenant in the Veterans Guard of Canada and was awarded the Efficiency Decoration in 1943.

Citation for first award of the MM: 21 May 1917 – At Vimy Ridge 9-13 April 1917. Rendered valuable assistance as a scout, showed exceptional ability in guiding parties across dangerous and unfamiliar ground to the new line of consolidation. Showed great courage and resourcefulness in reconnoitring suspected enemy positions. Was constantly on duty practically without rest for four days.

Second award of the MM (Bar) no citation – 11 September 18

HARRIS, Edward Harlow

Edward enlisted in the 219th Battalion in Mahone Bay on March 10, 1916. Upon enlisting he declared that his next of kin was his mother Florence J. Harris of Mahone Bay; he was a student; he had militia service in the 75th Regiment; and that he was born in Mahone Bay on July 26, 1896. Edward suffered a serious gunshot wound during the Battle of Passchendaele in 1917 and laid in a shell hole for three hours before he was picked up by some stretcher bearers. He spent a year in hospital and endured five operations.

HEBB, Joseph Malcolm

Joseph enlisted in the 6th Canadian Mounted Rifles (6CMR) at Amherst on March 13, 1915. He declared that he had been born in Lunenburg on July 2, 1892; he was a cook; and that his next of kin was Arthur Hebb of Lunenburg. He arrived in France in October 1915 and was posted to 5 CMR. He was discharged with the rank of sergeant on March 27, 1919 in Halifax. Joseph passed away on July 16, 1957 in Mahone Bay.

HEISLER, John Arthur

John was born in Lunenburg on June 20, 1888 and enlisted in the 80th Battalion of the CEF on March 21, 1916, in Ottawa. He declared that: his mother Ellen Heisler was his next of kin; he had three years militia service with the 75th Regiment; and that he was a clerk with the Department of Public Works.

HEISLER, Otis

Otis enlisted in the Canadian Garrison Artillery of the CEF on May 11, 1917 in Halifax. He was born in Mahone Bay on January 6, 1895 and declared his father, James Heisler of Mahone Bay as his next of kin.

HILTZ, Charles Edwin

Charles enlisted in the 112th Battalion on March 9, 1916, in Lunenburg. Upon enlisting he declared that he had been born in Martins Point on December 21, 1896; he was a fisherman; and that his next of kin was his mother Mrs. Martha Hiltz of Martins Point. After the war he became a nurse and worked at the Camp Hill Hospital. He passed away in 1959.

HILTZ, Cyril Edgar

Cyril enlisted in the 219th Battalion on March 23, 1916 in Berwick. He declared that he had been born on August 26, 1880, in Martins River; was a cook; and that his next of kin was his wife Loretta Elvie Hiltz of Berwick. He passed away in 1943.

HILTZ, Clyde Emerald

Clyde was born in Marriott's Cove on October 6, 1896 and was conscripted into the CEF on June 13, 1918 in Aldershot. He declared that his mother, Agnes Hiltz of Marriott's Cove was his next of kin.

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HILTZ, Edwin Armenius

Edwin was conscripted into the 1st Depot Battalion of the NS Regiment on March 4, 1918. He was quickly transferred to the 85th Battalion. He declared that he had been born in Martins Point on January 1, 1896; was a carpenter; and that his next of kin was his father, William Hiltz of Martins Point. He passed away in 1949 of cancer.

HILTZ, Oran "Orren"

Oran was born on July 2, 1897 in Martins River and enlisted in the RCGA of the CEF on October 12, 1917 in Halifax. Upon enlisting he declared his father, James Hiltz of Martins River as his next of kin. He was posted to No. 8 Siege Battery in Halifax and was released as being medically unfit in January 1918.

The sons of Issac and Jane Hipson of Mahone Bay:

(Note: William and John declared that they were born on the same date in two different places)

HIPSON, John P. L.

John P. L. Hipson enlisted in the 219th Battalion on March 10, 1916 in Mahone Bay. He stated that he had been born on October 9, 1899 in East Pubnico; that he was a student; and that his next of kin was his father. It appears that John has falsified his date of birth and was discharged for being under the legal recruiting age. Undeterred he enlisted in the artillery one year later and it appears that he may have lied about his age again. Upon enlisting in the 10th Siege Battery in Halifax on May 1, 1917 John declared that: he had been born on September 7, 1897 in East Jeddore; his next of kin was his father; and that he was living in Mahone Bay. John served overseas as a driver with the CGA.

HIPSON, William Morton

Upon enlisting in the 219th Battalion in Halifax on May 10, 1916, William declared that: he had been born on September 7, 1897 in Pubnico; his next of kin was Mr. Issac Hipson of Mahone Bay; he was a 'truckman;' and that he was living in Mahone Bay. He was later transferred to the 249th Battalion.

HIRTLE, Enos Wilbirt "Wylbert"

Enos was born on April 24, 1894 in Clearland and was conscripted on February 2, 1918 in Halifax. He declared that he was a farmer and that his father, James Hirtle of Scarsdale, NS was his next of kin. He was posted to the 1st Depot Battalion of the NS Regiment.

HIRTLE, Reginald

Rather than be conscripted Reginald volunteered to enlist. He did so on September 14, 1918 in Aldershot where he declared his sister, Mrs. William Bleasdale as his next of kin and that he had been born in Mahone Bay on November 3, 1900. He was posted to the 1st Depot Battalion of the NS Regiment.

HIRTLE, Richard Samuel, MM

Richard enlisted in the 112th Battalion on December 10, 1915 in Lunenburg. Upon enlisting he stated that he had been born in Indian Point on May 12, 1897; was a fisherman; and that his next of kin was his father, Samuel Hirtle of Middle South. Richard served at the front with the 2nd Battalion of the Canadian Machine Gun Corps. On September 28, 1918, during the Battle Canal du Nord his actions in combat earned him the Military Medal for bravery in the field.





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HIRTLE, Spurgeon Maskell, MC

Spurgeon was born in Mahone Bay on August 26, 1897 and enlisted in the CEF on March 10, 1916 in Mahone Bay. Upon enlisting he declared that his mother, Lavina Hirtle of Mahone Bay as his next of kin; he had one year service in the militia; and that he was a student. He suffered a gas wound during the war. Spurgeon was awarded the Military Cross for bravery in the face of the enemy and ended the war a lieutenant. He lived in Massachusetts for many years and passed away on April 19, 1955 in Newton, BC.

Citation: 17 December 1918: For marked gallantry and good leadership of his platoon during the attack on Canal du Nord at Escaudoeuvres on the morning of 10 October 1918. At a critical moment his platoon was held up. He rushed an enemy machine gun post in the face of heavy machine gun fire, putting them out of action. At arriving at the objective, he took charge of a reconnoitring patrol and obtained information of great value to his company commander.

HIRTLE, Walter William Willison

Walter enlisted in the RCGA on August 17, 1918. He declared that: he had been born in Mahone Bay on November 16, 1898 (his real date of birth was November 16, 1897); his next of kin was his father John Hirtle of Mahone Bay; and he was a farmer. He was posted to the Depot Battery of the 10th Siege Artillery.

The sons of Daniel and Margaret Hirtle of Martins Point:

(enlisted together)

HIRTLE, Clayton St. Clair

Clayton enlisted in the 10th Siege Battery in Halifax on March 17, 1916. He declared that he was born on January 20, 1898 to Daniel and Margaret Hirtle in Martins Point. He was lying to the recruiter for his real date of birth was January 20, 1900 – he had turned sixteen a short two months previous. He declared that he was a fisherman by trade and that his next of kin was his father, Mr. Daniel Hirtle of Martins Point.

HIRTLE, Lavenus Angus

Angus was born on September 2, 1896 in Martins Point and enlisted in the 219th Battalion in Mahone Bay on March 17, 1916. His declared next of kin was his mother, Mrs. Maggie Hirtle of Martins Point. He married Florence Waugh in Halifax on September 11, 1917. Angus passed away in Timberlea in 1984.

HOLMAN, Theodore

Theodore was born in Salem, Massachusetts, USA on April 12, 1887 and enlisted in the Canadian Engineers on June 16, 1916, in Montreal. He declared that: his sister Miss Pauline Holman of Salem, Massachusetts was his next of kin; he was a steamfitter by trade; and that he had previous military service with 4 Field Company of the Canadian Engineers. He was posted to the 5th Pioneer Battalion and moved to Mahone Bay after the war.

HYSON, Carl

Carl was conscripted into the 1st Depot Battalion of the NS Regiment on June 22, 1918 in Aldershot. He declared that he was born in Mahone Bay on December 6, 1896; that he was a carpenter; and that his father, Joseph Hyson of Halifax was his next of kin.

HYSON, Clara Melissa

Clara was born at Indian Point in 1884 and married Sidney Frederick Ernst of Mahone Bay in 1920. Local history notes that she served as a nurse in the American forces during the Great War. She passed away in Waltham, Massachusetts on January 19, 1955.



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HYSON, Ferdinand Conrad

Ferdinand was conscripted into the 1st Depot Battalion of the NS Regiment on October 10, 1918 in Halifax. He declared that he was born in Indian Point on August 12, 1897; that he was a carpenter; and that his mother, Ellen Hyson of Indian Point was his next of kin. He passed away on August 9, 1968 and is buried at Indian Point.

HYSON, Hugh Secton

Hugh was conscripted into the 1st Depot Battalion of the NS Regiment on August 8, 1918 in Aldershot. He stated that he had been born in Mahone Bay on January 17, 1896; was a grocery clerk; and that his next of kin was his father, Reuben Hyson of Mahone Bay. He passed away in 1951.

HYSON, Moyle Alexander

Moyle was conscripted into the 1st Depot Battalion of the NS Regiment in the summer of 1918 (date not clear). He had been born in Mahone Bay on February 13, 1897 to Bessie Hyson and was adopted by his grandparents Aaron and Cassandra Hyson of Oakland. He married Mary Frain of Halifax in 1922.

The sons of William and Annie Hyson of Indian Point:

HYSON, Everette St. Clair

Everette enlisted in the 219th Battalion on April 3, 1916 in Mahone Bay. He was later transferred to the 246th Battalion. Upon enlisting he declared that he had been born in Indian Point on September 17, 1899; that he was a fisherman; and that his next of kin was his mother, Annie R. Hyson of Indian Point.

HYSON, Harold A.

Harold enlisted in the 219th Battalion on March 10, 1916 in Mahone Bay. He was later transferred to the 246th Battalion. Upon enlisting he declared that he had been born in Indian Point on July 5, 1897; that he was a fisherman; and that his next of kin was his mother, Annie R. Hyson of Indian Point. He bled to death in 1935 after being injured in a home accident.

INGLIS, Roger William

Roger was amongst the first Canadians to enlist in the CEF. He joined the Royal Canadian Horse Artillery in Val Cartier on September 23, 1914 and was posted to A Battery. Upon enlisting he stated that he had been born in Lillydale on August 18, 1883; that he was a blacksmith by trade; that he had militia service in the 75th Regiment; and that his mother, Mrs. James Inglis of Lillydale was his next of kin. He was discharge with the rank of corporal. Roger married Mabel McArthur after the war. He passed away of TB on March 22, 1929 and is buried in Blockhouse.

ISNOR, Albert George

Albert was conscripted into the 1st Depot Battalion of the Saskatchewan Regiment on July 18, 1918 in Regina. Upon enlisting he declared that he had been born in Mahone Bay on November 22, 1887; that he was a farmer; and that his next of kin was his father Jonathan Isnor of Mahone Bay.

JODREY, Prescott Soloman

Prescott enlisted in the 112th Battalion on March 3, 1916 in Bridgewater. He stated that he had been born in Maitland Forks on January 12, 1888; that he had militia service with the 75th Battalion; and that his next of kin was his wife Vera C. Jodrey (Barry) of Maitland Forks. Prescott passed away in 1965.

JOUDRY, Freeman Emery

Freeman was conscripted into the CEF on April 4, 1918 in Halifax and was posted to the 1st Depot Battalion of the NS Regiment. Freeman declared that he was born in Northwest on February 2, 1897; he was living in Northwest; he was a farmer; and that his mother, Mrs. Josephine Joudry of Northwest was his next of kin. He married Loma Demone in 1928. Freeman passed away in Mahone Bay in 1947.

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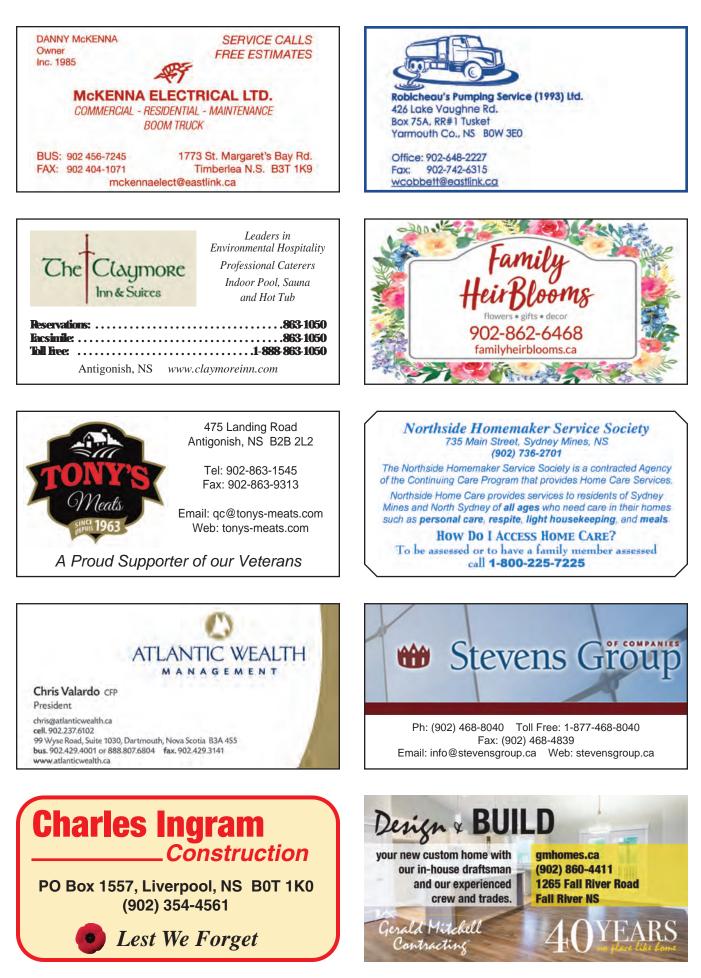
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JOUDREY, Aubrey Sterling

Aubrey enlisted in the 219th Battalion on March 9, 1916 in Barrington Passage. He declared that his next of kin was his father Augustus Joudrey of Mahone Bay; he had prior service with the composite artillery battery; and that he was born in Mahone Bay on November 30, 1896. Aubrey married Bertha Swinimer in 1916. He served overseas with the 85th Battalion and was seriously wounded by shrapnel in April 1917. Aubrey passed away in 1968 in Mahone Bay.

JOUDREY, Beldon

Beldon served in the St. Lucia Battery of the RCGA. He enlisted in Mahone Bay on November 10, 1915 declaring that he had militia service with 1st Siege Battery; that he had been born in Second Peninsula (he was actually born in Mahone Bay) on August 3, 1897; that he was a fisherman by trade; and that his next of kin was John Joseph (Joshua) Joudrey of Second Peninsula. He passed away in February 1970 in Massachusetts.

JOUDREY, Evan Lupine

Evan was the son of Nathan and Rebecca Joudrey and conscripted into the 1st Depot Battalion of the NS Regiment on November 1, 1918 in Halifax. Upon his induction he stated that he was born on March 14, 1893 in Mahone Bay; was living in Halifax; was a tailor; and that his next of kin was his mother. In 1919 he married Florence O'Leary of Halifax. Evan passed away in 1978.

JOUDREY, St. Almore Robie

Robie enlisted in the Composite Battalion on January 10, 1916. He declared that he had been born in Gold River on March 18, 1898 and that his mother, Louise Joudrey was his next of kin. He was the son of George and Louise Joudrey.

JOUDREY, William Leroy "Roy"

William joined the CEF in Windsor on December 20, 1915 and was sent to 112th Battalion where he was Quartermaster-Sergeant with that Regiment. He went overseas with that unit in July 1916 and contracted a serious illness and was then invalided home to Canada. He died in Halifax while still in the military service on June 12, 1919. William was the husband of Carrie Arlene Joudrey. He is buried in the Mahone Bay Park Cemetery.

JOUDREY, Willis

Willis enlisted in the 219th Battalion on March 27, 1916 in Mahone Bay. Upon enlisting he stated that he had been born on Oak Island on December 1, 1897 and that his next of kin was his father Enos Joudrey of Martins Point.

The sons of John and Maria Joudrey of Mahone Bay:

(Enlisted together in the 17th Battalion on September 26, 1914 in Val Cartier and served together in France and Belgium with the 25th Battalion)

JOUDREY, Earl

Earl was born on July 14, 1891. He was wounded on August 9, 1918 during the breakout from Amiens.

JOUDREY, Harold

Harold was born on September 16, 1896. He was wounded during the fighting in the Somme in 1916.

KEDY, John E.

John enlisted in the 219th Battalion on March 10, 1916 in Mahone Bay. Upon enlisting he stated that he had been born in Mahone Bay on September 3, 1872; was a farmer; and that his next of kin was his wife Mrs. Hattie M. Kedy of Mahone Bay. He passed away from cancer in 1940.

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KEDDY, Bertram "Bert"

Bert was born on November 28, 1877 in Cleveland, Lunenburg County, NS, and married Lottie Victoria Aulenbach in 1908. He enlisted in the 219th Battalion on March 28, 1916 in Mahone Bay. Upon enlisting he declared that he was a fisherman who was living in Mahone Bay and that his next of kin was his wife. Bert was posted to the CAMC for the duration of the war. He passed away in 1958.

KEDDY, Judson Maurer

Judson was conscripted into the 1st Depot Battalion of the NS Regiment on June 8, 1918 in Aldershot. He stated that he was a resident of Mahone Bay; he was a farmer; he had been born in Clearland on September 20, 1896; and that his next of kin was George D. Keddy of Mahone Bay. He passed away in 1944.

KEYZER, Lewis James

Lewis was born on August 2, 1891 in Mahone Bay and enlisted in the 236th Battalion (The New Brunswick Kilties – "Sir Sam's Own" aka "The Maclean Highlanders" aka "MacLean Kilties of America") in Fredericton on June 23, 1917. At the time of his enlistment he declared that he was living in Brookfield, Massachusetts, where he worked as a factory hand. Lewis also declared that his wife, Gertrude Keyzer was his next of kin. It is very likely that the spelling of his surname at birth was "Keizer." His name, Lewis Keizer, was on a 1927 hand-written list of local veterans found in the Mahone Bay Legion in January 2015. Lewis passed away on December 7, 1945 in Franklin, Merrimack, New Hampshire.

KNAUT, Wilfred Laurier

Wilfred had some militia service prior to his enlistment with the 14th Field Artillery (Howitzer) Brigade Ammunition Column of the CGA. Upon enlisting in Halifax on May 12, 1916, he stated that he was a student; his had been born in Mahone Bay on February 6, 1897; and that his next of kin was his father Henry S. Knaut of Halifax. He suffered a gas wound during the war.

LANGILLE, Amos Seymore, MM

Amos enlisted in the 219th Battalion on March 9, 1916 in Barrington Passage. He stated that he had been born on October 17, 1896 in Martins River; that he had served in the Composite Artillery Battery; he was a fisherman; and that his next of kin was his father James A. Langille of Martins River. Amos served at the front with the 85th Battalion (NS Highlanders) and suffered a neck wound at Valenciennes on November 5, 1918. He returned home on August 24, 1919 and was later awarded the Military Medal for bravery in the field. His citation reads as follows:

For conspicuous gallantry and bravery in the face of the enemy. During the Operations of September 2nd 1918, on the right of DURY, on No.1 on the Lewis Gun he displayed great courage and coolness during the advance. Keeping well in front of his Platoon engaging all targets and gave covering fire, which greatly helped the Platoon to advance and keep the Hun on the move. When the objective was reached he advanced well out in front in face of heavy machine gun and shell fire and set up his gun engaging enemy machine guns with good effect and remained in this advanced position until after his Company was relieved.

LANGILLE, Carl Evelyn, MM

Carl enlisted for full time militia service April 1915 and enlisted in the 64th Battalion CEF on September 27, 1915 in Sussex, NB. He declared that he had been born in Martins River on September 27, 1896; he had five months service in the home guard; he was a farmer; and that his next of kin was his father E. Langille of Martins River. During the war Carl served at the front with the 2nd Battalion as a company sergeant-major (Warrant Officer II) and suffered an eye and a leg wound. Carl was awarded the Military Medal for bravery in the field and returned home on April 22, 1919. (His MM is on display in the Mahone Bay legion).

LANGILLE, David Alexander

David was born in Oakland on January 28, 1887 and was a chauffeur when he enlisted in the 1st Depot Battalion of the Quebec Regiment on February 28, 1918 in Montreal. Upon enlisting he stated that his residence was Sommerville, Massachusetts, USA and that his next of kin was his father Joseph Langille of Oakland. He served in France with the 24th Battalion and was wounded at the front. David Alexander Langille passed away in Dover, Strafford Co., New Hampshire on January 27, 1978 and is buried in Martin's River. He never married.

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LANGILLE, Edwin

Edwin was the son of Victoria Oickle (formerly Langille). He joined the CEF on June 3, 1918 and was assigned to 260th Battalion of the CEF. His battalion was one of two infantry battalions assigned to the Canadian Expedition Force (Siberia) or simply C.S.E.F. Edwin did not make it to Siberia and was killed in training in British Columbia on November 27, 1918, just three months after his twentieth birthday. Edwin is buried in plot W 4E 43 in the Victoria (Ross Bay) Cemetery, Victoria, BC.

LANGILLE, Palmer Edwin

Palmer was conscripted into the CEF on April 30, 1918 in Halifax. He stated that he was born on September 21, 1887 in Indian Point and that his next of kin was his father James Langille of Indian Point.

The sons of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Langille of North West:

LANGILLE, Palmer

Walter was conscripted into the CEF on April 3, 1918 in Halifax. He stated that he was born on August 4, 1891.

LANGILLE, Walter B.

Walter was conscripted into the CEF on May 18, 1918 in Halifax. He stated that he was born on May 28, 1896.

LANGILLE, Robert Henry

Robert was conscripted into the CEF on February 18, 1918 in Halifax. He stated that he was born on May 23, 1896 in Mahone Bay and that his next of kin was his father John Langille of Mahone Bay.

LANGILLE, Willis A.

Willis enlisted in the CGA of the CEF in Halifax on January 20, 1917 and was posted to the 8th Siege Battery. Upon enlisting he stated that he had been born in Lunenburg on December 3, 1898; that he was a sailor by trade; he had one month of militia service in the RCGA; and that his next of kin was his mother Bertha Langille of Mahone Bay. He passed away in 1937 of Hodgkin's Disease.

The sons of Mr. and Mrs. Burton Langille of Martins River:

LANGILLE, Harry

Harry enlisted in the St. Lucia Battery of the CGA on March 16, 1915 in Halifax. Upon enlisting he stated that he was a mill hand; he had been born in Martins River on November 6, 1897; he had some reserve service in the Composite Regiment; and that his next of kin was his father Burton Langille of Martins River.

LANGILLE, Louren Beverly

Louren joined his brother in the St. Lucia Battery of the CGA when he enlisted on November 10, 1915 in Halifax. Upon enlisting he stated that he had been born in Martins River on October 14, 1892; he had seven months reserve service with the 1st Siege Battery; and that his next of kin was his father Burton Langille of Martins River.

LANTZ, Francis

The 1946 Trinity United Church honour roll of Great War veterans includes the name of Francis Lantz. There is no CEF record of his service; consequently, it must be assumed that he served in a reserve capacity in Canada. He passed away in 1943.

LANTZ, Pierce Teao

Pierce was conscripted into the 1st Depot Battalion of the NS Regiment in Aldershot on June 8, 1918. He declared that he had been born in Clearland on November 23, 1896 and that his mother Mrs. James Lantz was his next of kin.

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The sons of Jacob and Emma Lantz of Mahone Bay:

LANTZ, Arthur Clyde

Arthur enlisted in the 219th Battalion in Mahone Bay on March 14, 1916. Upon enlisting he stated that he had been born in Oakland on July 19, 1898 and that his next of kin was his mother Emma Lantz of Mahone Bay.

LANTZ, Fenwick Wakeman

Fenwick enlisted in the CGA of the CEF in Halifax on June 13, 1917, stating that he was a carpenter and had been born in Mahone Bay on March 20, 1892. He declared that his next of kin was his father Jacob Lantz of Mahone Bay. Fenwick was seriously wounded and lost a leg during the war.

LAVELLE, Eric Bannerman

Eric was a bank clerk in Lunenburg when he enlisted in the 112th Battalion of the CEF on January 7, 1916. Upon enlisting he declared that he had been born in Lurgan, County Armagh, Ireland on June 6, 1896 and that his next of kin was F.B. Lavelle of Belfast, Ireland. Eric would end the war as a sergeant and would settle in Mahone Bay.

LOWE, Lindsay Ward

Lindsay was living in Boston, Massachusetts, USA when he decided to travel to Saint John, NB and enlist in the 1st Depot Battalion of the NB Regiment. Upon enlisting he declared that he was a mechanic; was born in Lunenburg on July 18, 1892; had militia service of two training weeks a year, for five years, with the 75th Regiment; and that his sister Mrs. Blanche Jones of Dorchester, Massachusetts, was his next of kin. Lindsay settled in Mahone Bay after the war.

The sons of Hibbert and Antionette Veino Mackie:

MACKIE, Everett

Information about Everett Mackie's wartime service is sparse. He was born on December 7, 1897 in Fauxburg. Everett enlisted in the 112th Battalion on December 5, 1917 in Lunenburg along with his 15-year-old brother Gordon. He served at the front with the 25th Battalion and was wounded twice during the war.

MACKIE, Gordon Victor

Gordon served with 25th Battalion. He was killed in action in the Battle of Arras on April 28, 1917 in France.

MADER, Avard Reginald

Avard was the son of Brenton Mader. He became a member of the Royal Canadian Regiment shortly after joining the CEF in Halifax on April 6, 1918. He died on October 22, 1918. The RCR were not in battle for most of October 1918, so it seems that Avard may have died of wounds received prior to October 1, 1918. He is buried in plot 2 E 9 in the Valenciennes (St. Roch) Communal Cemetery.

MADER, Arthur Herbert

Arthur was conscripted into the 1st Depot Battalion of the NS Regiment of the CEF on July 12, 1918 in Aldershot. Upon induction it was recorded that he was a farmer-lumberman; had been born in Mahone Bay on October 1, 1888; and that his next of kin was his mother Elizabeth Hyson of Mahone Bay. He passed away in 1956.

MADER, Clifford Davis

Clifford enlisted in the CEF on October 1, 1917 in Windsor. Upon enlisting he declared that he had been born in Mahone Bay on February 21, 1869; was a carpenter by trade; had six months service in the 219th Battalion and six months service in the 246th Battalion. He also declared that his next of kin was his wife Rebecca Mader of Mahone Bay. Due to his age and skills Clifford was posted to the NS Railway Construction and Forestry Depot.

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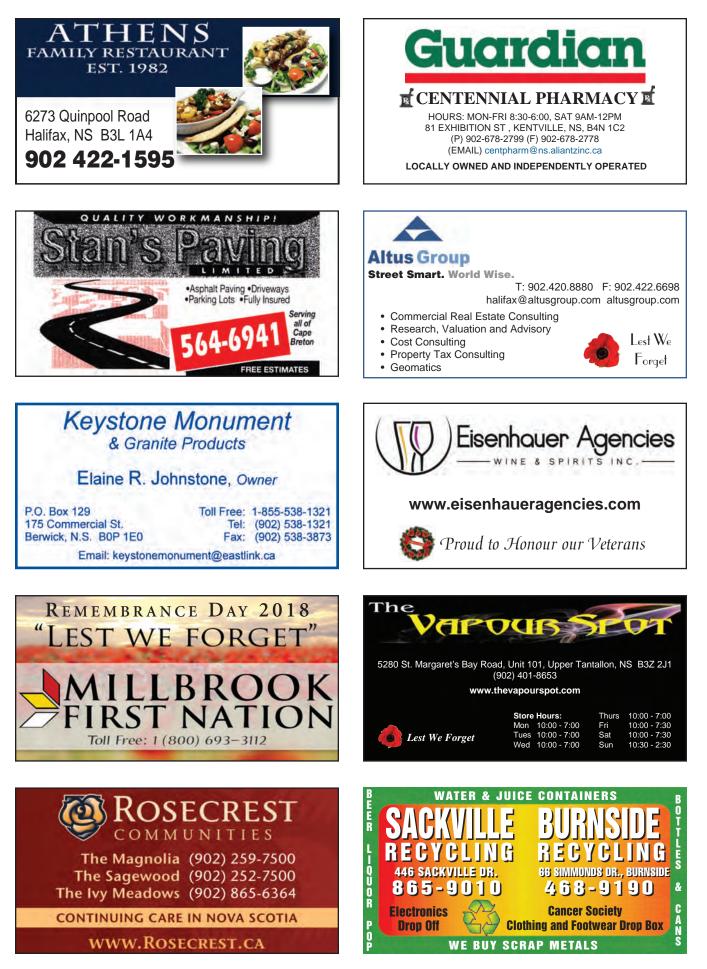
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MADER, George Alexander

George was conscripted into the 1st Depot Battalion of the NS Regiment of the CEF on November 5, 1918 in Halifax. Upon induction it was recorded that he was a hotel clerk; had been born in Mahone Bay on November 24, 1894; and that his next of kin was his mother Mrs. Adelaide Mader of Mahone Bay. He passed away from a heart attack in 1949.

MADER, Ira Day

Ira enlisted in the CGA of the CEF on August 16, 1917 in Halifax. He volunteered to be part of a draft of the Military District 6 (Howitzer) Brigade Ammunition Column. Upon enlisting he declared that he had been born on September 1, 1895, in Maders Cove; he was a teacher; had one year of militia service with the Mahone Bay Siege Battery; and that his next of kin was his father George Mader of Maders Cove. He was wounded during the war.

MADER, Morris William

Morris was living on Main Street in Mahone Bay when enlisted in the 112th Battalion in Lunenburg on January 7, 1916. He declared that he had been born in Mahone Bay on October 15, 1897 (actually it was 1898) and that his sister, Miss Amy Mader of Bridgewater was his next of kin. He departed Halifax for England on July 23, 1916 and was posted to the 25th Battalion on October 31, 1916. Morris served in France and Belgium with the 25th Battalion until April 10, 1918, at which time he was transferred to the 2nd Battalion of the Canadian Machine Gun Corps. He was gassed during the war and was discharged in Halifax on May 24, 1919.

MADER, Owen Alex

Owen enlisted in the 256th Railway Construction Battalion in Mahone Bay on March 10, 1916. Upon enlisting he declared that he was a 'truckman' by trade (railway worker); that he had been born in Mahone Bay on October 5, 1886; and that his mother Emily Mader of Mahone Bay was his next of kin. He passed away in 1949.

MADER, Roy Daniel

Roy was conscripted into the 1st Depot Battalion of the NS Regiment of the CEF on May 23, 1918 at Aldershot. Upon induction it was recorded that he was a carpenter; had been born in Maders Cove on September 21, 1894; and that his next of kin was his father Zachariah Mader of Maders Cove.

MADER, Royce Dewy

Royce enlisted in the 6th Battalion of the Canadian Garrison Regiment in Halifax on November 6, 1918, at which time it was noted that he had tried to enlist in the CEF when he was still underage. Upon enlisting he declared that he had been born in Mahone Bay on April 14, 1900; he was a farmer; that he had two years' service in the Composite Battalion which had commenced on July 7, 1916 (he had lied about his age to enlist at that time); and that his next of kin was his mother Mrs. Ida Mader of Mahone Bay.

MADER, Uniacke

Uniacke was conscripted into the 1st Depot Battalion of the NS Regiment of the CEF on May 18, 1918 at Aldershot. Upon induction it was recorded that he was a clerk; had been born in Mahone Bay on May 12, 1900; and that his next of kin was his mother Mrs. David A "Hattie" Mader of Mahone Bay.

MADER, Ward Maxiner

Ward served with the Canadian Machine Gun Corps. He was killed in action on October 27, 1917 in Passchendaele.

MADER, Wilfred L.

There is no CEF record of a soldier named Wilfred Mader. His name was on a 1927 hand-written list of veterans found in the Mahone Bay Legion in January 2015. He may have served in the full-time militia during the war.

MADER, William

William enlisted in the 219th Battalion on March 9, 1916 in Barrington Passage, at which time he declared that he had been born in Clearland on March 4, 1896; he was a farmer by calling; he had six months service in the Composite Artillery Battery of the RCGA; and that his next of kin was his father Mr. Joseph Mader of Clearland. continued

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MADER, William Morris

William Morris was amongst the first of the Canadians to volunteer for service overseas. He enlisted in what was then called the "Nova Scotia Battalion" in Val Cartier on September 26, 1914. Upon enlisting he declared that he was a chauffeur by trade; had previous militia service with the artillery in Halifax; was born on July 10, 1889 in Mahone Bay; and that his next of kin was an Alexander Mader of Mahone Bay. He drowned in 1933.

MARRYAT, Wilfred Roy, MBE, ED

Wilfred enlisted in the RCGA of the CEF on November 18, 1915 in Halifax. He was posted to 1st Siege Battery (St. Lucia Battery) and was commissioned from the ranks and served as a lieutenant. Upon enlisting he declared that he was a tailor by trade; had been born in Mahone Bay on December 29, 1886; and that his next of kin his wife, Elva of Mahone Bay. He was the son of John and Mary Jane Marryat of Mahone Bay and, after the war, became a charter member of Branch 49 Mahone Bay of the Royal Canadian Legion. Wilfred enlisted in the RCNVR during WWII and became a commissioned shipwright. In June 1944, naval Lieutenant Wilfred Marryat was awarded the Member of the Order of the British Empire (MBE) and the Efficiency Decoration. He passed away in 1970 and is buried in Mahone Bay.

The citation for his MBE reads: "This Officer, who served as a Commissioned Officer in the Army during the last war, has displayed the utmost zeal and devotion to duty as Shipwright Officer through the period of preparation of HMCS Cornwallis for occupancy as a Naval Training Establishment. His skill and untiring energy have been a source of inspiration to those serving with him."

McKENZIE, Arthur Lawrence

Arthur enlisted in the 185th Battalion on April 16, 1916 in Broughton, Cape Breton. Upon enlisting he declared that he had been born on December 13, 1896, in Mahone Bay and that his next of kin was Charles McKenzie of Mahone Bay.

MILLETT, Myrna Mary

Myrna was born in Mahone Bay on January 12, 1889 to John and Jane Millet. She qualified as a registered as a nurse in NS in 1912. Local history notes that she served as a nurse in the American forces during the Great War. After the war she married Dr. Lewis P. Churchill, MC, of Shelburne who had served in the CAMC and was wounded during the Great War. He also served in the RCAMC during WWII. Her son Jack Churchill served in the North Nova Scotia Highlanders during WWII.

MILLETT, Chester Russell Andrew

Chester was born in Mahone Bay on November 1, 1896 and enlisted in the 63rd Battalion on July 14, 1916 in Halifax. He declared that his next of kin was his mother, Mrs. F J Millett; that he was a student; and that he had some service in the Halifax Composite Battalion. He served overseas and was gassed during the fighting.

MORRISON, Lewis Nelson

Lewis enlisted in the Canadian Army Medical Corps in Halifax on November 3, 1915. At the time of his enlistment he was a medical student in Halifax and declared that his mother, Mrs. B.C. Morrison of Halifax, was his next of kin. He had been born in Oxford, NS on February 11, 1894. Lewis became a doctor after the war and moved to Mahone Bay where he became a charter member of Branch 49 Mahone Bay of the Royal Canadian Legion. He was a ship's surgeon when WWII started. His ship was sunk in the North Atlantic in January 1942 and he became the first man from Mahone Bay to die during WWII.

MOSHER, Clarence Moyle

Moyle was born in Pleasant Point on July 25, 1893 and was working as a draftsman when he enlisted as an officer in the 25th Battalion on May 19, 1915 in Halifax. He declared that he had five months previous reserve service with the 75th Regiment and that his next of kin was Captain C.E. Mosher of Mahone Bay. He served at the front with the 25th Battalion would and was wounded. Moyle ended the war as a lieutenant and passed away on April 7, 1977.

MOSHER, James A.

James enlisted in the 6th Battalion of the Canadian Garrison Regiment on December 9, 1918 in Halifax. He declared that he had been born in Lunenburg County on December 28, 1872; was living in Mahone Bay; was a clerk and a widower; and that his next of kin was his stepmother Mrs. Cassie Mosher of Mahone Bay. He passed away from a heart attack in 1933.

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MYRA, Thomas Eugene

Thomas enlisted in the 219th Battalion on March 9, 1916 in Barrington Passage declaring that he was born in August 22, 1887 in Gold River. He declared that he had militia experience in a composite artillery unit and that his father, John Myra of Gold River was his next of kin. His name was included on a 1927 hand-written list of local veterans found in the Mahone Bay Legion in January 2015.

NAAS, Everette Sherman Hector

Everette was conscripted (4052645) into the 1st Depot Battalion of the NS regiment on September 30, 1918 in Aldershot. He declared that his mother Jeannie Nass of Dartmouth was his next of kin and that he had been born in Mahone Bay on December 26, 1900. He was discharged five days later. He enlisted, voluntarily (1285045) on June 5, 1919 in Halifax declaring that his next of kin was his mother Mrs. Jeanette Munro of New York City; that he was a chauffeur by trade; and had been born in Mahone Bay on December 26, 1899. He passed away in 1950.

NAAS, Stuart Lemuel

Stuart was conscripted into the 1st Depot Battalion of the NS Regiment on June 7, 1918, in Aldershot. Upon his induction he stated that he was a farmer; was born in Walden on June 12, 1896 and that his father, Charles Naas was his next of kin. Stuart was the son of Charles and Dena Naas. He passed away in Bridgewater in December 1980.

NAUGLER, Otto St. Clair

Otto was conscripted into the 1st Depot Battalion of the NS Regiment on October 19, 1918 in Bridgewater. Upon his induction he stated that he was a fisherman; was born in Upper La have on September 4, 1897 and that his mother, Mrs. Colville Naugler was his next of kin. He moved to Indian Point after the war and passed away in 1981.

NAUSE, Freeman Joseph

Freeman was living in St. Hilaire, NB when he enlisted in the CEF in Edmunston on June 13, 1916, by joining the 165th Battalion (Acadians). Upon enlisting he declared that he had been born on November 18, 1889 in Mahone Bay and that his next of kin was his father Christian Nauss of Mahone Bay. He returned from the war with the rank of lance corporal. He passed away in Bridgewater in 1965.

NAUSS, Fred Hector

Fred was conscripted into the 1st Depot Battalion of the NS Regiment on November 1, 1918 in Halifax. At his induction into the CEF he stated that he had been born in Mahone Bay on January 10, 1890; he was a ship's carpenter; and that his next of kin was his mother Mrs. Oscar "Maggie" Nauss of Mahone Bay.

NICOL, George Alexander

George enlisted in the 219th Battalion in Lunenburg on March 1, 1916. He declared that he had been born in Mahone Bay on July 17, 1889; he was an electrician; he had four years of service in the reserve artillery; and that his next of kin was his wife Mrs. Maude A. Nicol of Mahone Bay. He ended the war with the rank of sergeant.

NORSE, Thomas E.

Thomas served with the 25th Battalion and was killed in action at the Battle of Mount Sorrel on June 17, 1916 in Belgium.

NORSE, William Enos

William served with the 13th Battalion and was killed in action at the Battle of Courcelette on September 4, 1916 in France.

OIKLE, Sherdy Albert

Sherdy was born on December 15, 1883 and was serving as a private in the 75th Lunenburg Regiment in 1901. There is no record of him serving in the CEF during the Great War. He may have served in the full-time militia.

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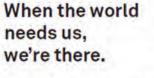




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OIKLE, Austin

Austin was born on July 8, 1882 in Bridgewater and enlisted in the CGA on December 2, 1918 in Halifax. Upon enlisting he declared that he has served as a full-time militia artilleryman with the RCGA Depot Company in Halifax for the previous 21 months and 12 days and that his wife, Minnie Oikle of Bridgewater was his next of kin.

OIKLE, Frederick Lee

Frederick was born on August 27, 1895 in Dalhousie, NS and was conscripted in the 1st Depot Battalion of the NS Regiment on June 13, 1918 in Aldershot. Upon his induction he declared that he was living in Barss Corner; was a farmer; and that his mother, Mary Oikle of Barss Corner was his next of kin.

OIKLE, Gilbert Dean

Gilbert was born on June 19, 1890 in Barss Corner and was conscripted in the 1st Depot Battalion of the NS Regiment on March 20, 1918 in Halifax. Upon his induction he declared that he was a farmer and that his next of kin was his father James J. Oikle of Barss Corner.

OIKLE, John Pearly

John was born on June 29, 1895 in Northfield and was conscripted in the 1st Depot Battalion of the NS Regiment on June 13, 1918 in Aldershot. Upon his induction he declared that he was living in Springfield, Annapolis County; he was a farmer; and that his father, Murray Oikle of Springfield was his next of kin.

OIKLE, Lee

Lee was born on April 26, 1891 in Maitland and was conscripted in the 1st Depot Battalion of the NS Regiment on March 15, 1918, in Halifax. Upon his induction into the CEF he declared that he was a lumberman living in East Dalhousie and that his father, William Oickle of East Dalhousie was his next of kin.

PIPON, Edward P.

Edward was born in Quebec in 1891. He was working as a book keeper in the Toronto office of the Bank of Montreal when he enlisted in the Royal Navy Volunteer Reserve in June 1916. He was commissioned as a sub-lieutenant and assigned to a motor launch flotilla (patrol boats). He served aboard HM Motor Launches 360 and 367 patrolling the coastline of Britain. In June 1917 he was promoted to lieutenant and given command of HMML 147 and tasked with patrolling the waters of the British West Indies. He passed away in Mahone Bay in 1981.

RAFUSE, Daniel

Daniel was born on October 14, 1890 in Martins Point and was conscripted into the 1st Depot Battalion of the NS Regiment on April 17, 1918 in Halifax. Upon his induction he declared that he had served for one year in the 219th Battalion; he was a fisherman; and that his mother, Mrs. Daniel (Jeanie) Rafuse was his next of kin. His name was on a 1927 hand-written list of veterans found in the Mahone Bay Legion in January 2015.

RAFUSE, Evan Porter

Evan was born on January 21, 1893 in Parkdale and enlisted in the 112th Battalion on March 22, 1916 in Bridgewater along with his cousin Frank. He attested that he was single, a farmer, and that his mother, Mrs. Cecilia Rafuse of Parkdale was his next of kin. Local history notes that he was wounded during the fighting around Passchendaele. His name was on a 1927 handwritten list of veterans found in the Mahone Bay Legion in January 2015.

RAFUSE, Frank Ross

Ross was born on August 31, 1897 in Parkdale and enlisted in the 112th Battalion on March 22, 1916 in Bridgewater along with his cousin Evan. He attested that he was single, a farmer, and that his father, Ezekiel Rafuse of Parkdale was his next of kin. Local history notes that he was wounded during the fighting around Passchendaele. His name was on a 1927 hand-written list of veterans found in the Mahone Bay Legion in January 2015.

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RAFUSE, Albert Fulton

Albert was born on June 7, 1897 in Martins Point and enlisted in the 219th Battalion on March 17, 1916, in Mahone Bay. He attested that he was a fisherman and that his mother, Mrs. Jeannie Rafuse of Martins Point was his next of kinships name was on a 1927 hand-written list of veterans found in the Mahone Bay Legion in January 2015.

RAFUSE, Paul Raymond

Paul was born on March 16, 1897 in Parkdale and enlisted in the 112th Battalion on March 2, 1916 in Bridgewater. Upon enlisting he declared that he was a farmer; had served in the militia; and that his father, Uriah Rafuse of Parkdale was his next of kin. At some point, near the end of the war he was commissioned from the ranks but ceased training when the war ended and was discharged with the rank of Officer-Cadet.

REEVES, Herbert

Herbert was a 29-year-old builder from Mahone Bay when he joined the CEF on September 23, 1914 at Val Cartier, Quebec. He would have been amongst the first contingent that left Canada for England in late October of 1914 and went to "the front" in March 1915 as a member of 'C' Company of the 8th Battalion (the 90th Winnipeg Rifles, a.k.a. the "Little Black Devils"). Herbert was reported missing on September 26, 1916, at the battle for Courcelette. He is memorialized on the Vimy Memorial in France.

ROBAR, Albert "Bertie"

Bertie was conscripted into the 1st Depot Battalion of the NS Regiment on June 14, 1918 in Aldershot. He stated that he had been born in Cornwall on August 9, 1896; was a farmer living in Blockhouse; and that his next of kin was his grandfather James Zwicker of Cornwall.

ROBAR, Burton Guy

Burton was conscripted into the 1st Depot Battalion of the NS Regiment on April 29, 1918 in Halifax. He stated that he had been born in Mahone Bay on May 25, 1895; was a machinist living in Dartmouth; and that his next of kin was Bessie Robar of Dartmouth.

RHODENISER, Lorne Edison

Lorne was born in West Northfield on December 16, 1894 and was conscripted into the 1st Depot Battalion of the NS Regiment on June 14, 1918 in Aldershot. Upon being inducted he declared that he was a farmer and that his next of kin was his father Howard Rhodeniser of West Northfield.

The sons of Tupper and Matilda Rhodenhizer of Parkdale:

RHODENHIZER, Earle Caleb

Earle served with the 25th Battalion and passed away from his wounds on August 16, 1917 at Hill 70 in France.

RHODENHIZER, Ira Lawrence

Ira enlisted in the 112th Battalion in Bridgewater on December 7, 1915. He declared that he had been born in Parkdale on December 28, 1890; was a farmer; and that his next of kin was his father Tupper Rhodenhizer of Parkdale.

RHODENHIZER, Laurin Joshua, DCM, MM

Laurin enlisted in the 112th Battalion in Bridgewater on March 3, 1916 along with his twin brother Earle. He declared that he had been born in Parkdale on December 2, 1895; was a farmer; and that his next of kin was his father Tupper Rhodenhizer of Parkdale. Sergeant Lauren Rhodenhizer served at the front with the 25th Battalion and was awarded the Military Medal (MM) for bravery in the field and the Distinguished Conduct Medal (DCM) for gallantry in the face of the enemy.

Citation for DCM: 10 October 1918: For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on the Canal de L'Escaut. When his platoon sergeant was seriously wounded he led the platoon with great courage and skill, and at a critical moment; when held up by a machine gun. MM: recommended on November 26, 1918 and awarded on March 3, 1919 – no citation available

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The sons of Jacob and Emma Rhuland of Mahone Bay:

RHULAND, John Albert

John enlisted in the 85th Battalion in Halifax on October 20, 1915. He declared that his next of kin was his wife, Mrs. Elsie Rhuland of Mahone Bay; that he was a blacksmith; and that he had been born on October 26, 1885, in Mahone Bay. John was wounded twice during the war and passed away in Halifax in 1965. His son Dennis served in the West Nova Scotia Regiment during WWII.

RHULAND, William Harold

William served in the 85th Battalion (Nova Scotia Highlanders) and was listed as missing on October 30, 1917. He was killed during the Highlanders successful, yet very costly, attack on an objective known to the troops by its battle designator of "Vienna Cottage" just west of the town of Passchendaele. William is memorialized on a regimental monument that now stands on the "start line" of their final battle overlooking the Vienna Cottage. His body was never recovered and he is formally memorialized upon the walls of the Menin Gate in Ypres, Belgium.

RODENHISER, John "Jack" Cecil

Jack was a farmer living in Lunenburg County when he was conscripted into the 1st Depot Battalion of the NS Regiment at Aldershot on May 21, 1918. He declared that he had been born in Lunenburg on March 7, 1895 and that his next of kin was his mother Mrs. Lottie B. Rodenhiser of East Boston, Massachusetts, USA. Local history notes that he was wounded during the war. His name is included on a list of boys who attended the Mahone Bay School and served in the military during the Great War.

The sons of Halliburton and Seletes Rost of Mahone Bay:

ROST, Emery Halliburton

Emery was the son of Haliburton Rost. He is buried in Mahone Bay and is listed in the CWGC records as belonging to the Canadian "Special Service Troops." Emery would live to go overseas. His death would come as a result of one of the largest explosions of the Great War while he was training at Wellington Barracks in Halifax. He would become one of the nearly 2,000 people who were killed in the Halifax Explosion on December 6, 1917.

ROST, Earle Alexander

Earl, like many other Mahone Bay Great War Volunteers, would also serve in Nova Scotia's 25th Battalion of the CEF. Earl, a 20-year-old carpenter, enlisted in Lunenburg on January 7, 1916, where he gave his place of birth as being Mahone Bay and his next of kin as being his father, Haliburton Rost. The 25th Battalion (Nova Scotia Rifles) was subjected to heavy artillery shelling on August 16, 1917, and Earl became one of the 103 Battalion members killed that day near Hill 70. His remains are buried somewhere in the Loos British Cemetery (Canadian Cemetery # 2) France.

SALTSMAN, Fred Everett

Fred enlisted in the CFA in Halifax on February 11, 1916 and was posted to the 11th CFA (Howitzer) Brigade Ammunition Column. He stated that he had been born in Maders Cove on November 17, 1887; he was a book keeper; he had three years of service experience as a reservist with the Canadian Garrison Artillery; and that his next of kin was his father Henry Saltsman of Mahone Bay. Fred passed away in 1974 and is buried in Mahone Bay.

SAWLER, Orpheus

Orpheus was born on December 17, 1894 in Gold River and enlisted in the 219th Battalion on March 28, 1916 in Mahone Bay. He declared that he was fisherman; had six months service in No. 1 Siege Company; and that his wife, Sadie Sawler of Gold River was his next of kin. His name was noted on a 1927 hand-written list of veterans found in the Mahone Bay Legion in January 2015.

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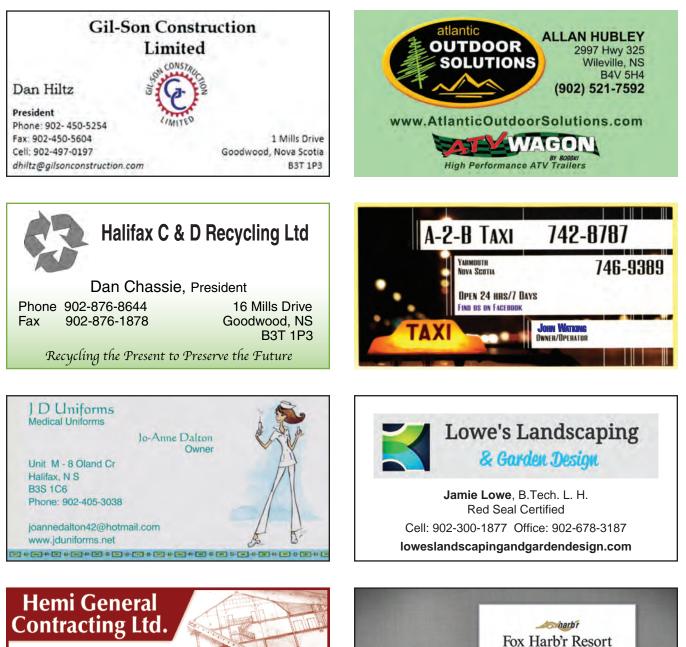
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SCHNARE, Arthur Joseph

Arthur was conscripted into the 1st Depot Battalion of the NS on May 18, 1918 in Halifax. Upon being inducted he stated that he had been born in Mahone Bay on July 19, 1890; a machinist by trade; and that his next of kin was his sister Mrs. Archie Emenau of Hastings Annapolis County, NS.

SCHNARE, Harvey Charles

Harvey enlisted in the 112th Battalion at Bridgewater on March 1, 1916. He declared that he had one year of reserve service with the 1st Siege Battery; had been born in Northwest on June 2, 1885; was a cook by trade; and that George Schnare of Northwest was his next of kin. He was later transferred to the Canadian Engineers.

SCHNARE, Mark Alexander

Mark enlisted in the Canadian Forestry Corps in Truro on May 29, 1917 and was posted to the NS Forestry Depot. He declared that he was a lumberman-cook by trade; had been born in Mahone Bay on August 27, 1891; and that his wife, Gertrude Leone Schnare of Mahone Bay was his next of kin.

SCHNARE, Wilfred

Wilfred enlisted in the Royal Canadian Artillery in Halifax on December 20, 1918. Prior to the armistice he had been a fulltime reservist with the Sandwich Battery of the Halifax artillery garrison. He declared that he had been born in Mahone Bay in July 1871 and that his next of kin was his wife Mrs. Bertha Schnare of Mahone Bay. He passed away from cancer in 1950.

SKINNER, Bernard Woodworth

Bernard was a medical student at McGill University when he enlisted in the Canadian Army Medical Corps in Montreal on March 8, 1915. He had completed his medical degree prior to enlisting and was posted to No. 2 General Hospital (McGill). Upon enlisting he declared that he had been born in Weston, Kings County, NS on May 26, 1889 and that his next of kin was his father John W. Skinner of Weston. He completed his medical internship while in the CAMC and became a doctor in 1917, at which time he was re-enlisted as an officer in the Royal Army Medical Corps on October 25, 1917. He served in the Mesopotamian campaign (Iraq and Palestine) with the RAMC. After the war Dr. Skinner settled in Mahone Bay providing medical care to that community for forty years. He was the president of the Mahone Bay Branch of the Royal Canadian Legion from 1935 to 1948. Bernard passed away in 1958 from a heart attack.

SLAUENWHITE, Harry

Harry enlisted in the 64th Battalion on September 18, 1915 in Sussex, NB. Upon enlisting he stated that his next of kin was his uncle Edwin Slauenwhite of Maplewood and that he had been born in Mahone Bay on July 16, 1892. According to local history he was wounded during the Great War.

SLAUENWHITE, Maurice Stanley

Maurice was conscripted into the 1st Depot Battalion of the NS on September 19, 1918, in Aldershot. He stated that he was a fisherman by trade; was born on August 7, 1896 in Conquerall Bank; and that his mother, Seretha Slauenwhite of Conquerall Bank was his next of kin.







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The sons of James and Emma Slauenwhite of Mahone Bay:

(Earle and George enlisted together in the 112th Battalion in Windsor on July 11, 1916 - three months after their brother Charles was killed in action).

SLAUENWHITE, Charles H.

Charles joined the CEF on November 17, 1914 in Saint John, NB. He was born in Mahone Bay, the son of James and Emma Slauenwhite. Charles was posted to the 26th Battalion (The Fighting 26th) and endured seven days of heavy shelling during the last week of March 1916 in the St. Eloi area of the Ypres Salient near Hill 62, with twenty-one men of that battalion being killed. Charles' date of death is recorded as March 31, 1916. He is buried in plot 3 B 6 of the La Laiterie Military Cemetery in Belgium.

SLAUENWHITE, Earle Fulton

Earle was born on July 10, 1894 in Mahone Bay and enlisted in the 112th Battalion on July 11, 1916 in Windsor. Upon enlisting he declared that he was a mariner, was living in Windsor, had one year of service in the Composite Battalion and that his mother was his next of kin. In January 2015 at the Mahone Bay Legion his name was found on a 1927 hand-written list of local veterans. Local history notes that he was wounded during the war.

SLAUENWHITE, George Sedley

George was born in 1890 in Mahone Bay. Local history notes that he was wounded during the war.

SLAUENWHITE, Morris Gabriel

Morris enlisted in the 106th Battalion (NS Rifles) on April 21, 1917 in Truro. Upon enlisting he stated that he had been born on April 7, 1898 in Mahone Bay; was a student and a bandsman with the NS Composite Battalion; and that Mrs. Charlotte Slawenwhite of Mahone Bay was his mother and designated next of kin. Local history notes that he was gassed during the war.

SMITH, Guy Willie Milledge

Guy enlisted in the RCGA in Halifax on November 5, 1918. His attestation papers made note that he had been a militia soldier on permanent duty from March 14, 1916 to June 22, 1918. He declared that he resided in Mahone Bay; was born in Lower LaHave on December 5, 1897; he was shipping clerk by trade; and that his mother, Mrs. Maggie Smith of Mahone Bay was his next of kin. He was a member of the Mahone Bay Legion. Guy passed away on April 14, 1969.

SPIDLE, Guy Stewart

Guy enlisted in No. 6 Company of the RCGA in Halifax on November 10, 1915 and was posted to the St. Lucia Battery. He declared that had seven months reserve service with the 1st Siege Battery; was a clerk by trade; and that his next of kin was Enoch Spidle. He passed away in March 1966 in Brockton, Massachusetts.

SPIDLE, George Willard

George was conscripted into the 1st Depot Battalion of the NS Regiment on June 7, 1918 in Aldershot. He stated that he had been born in North West on April 9, 1895; was a farmer; and that his next of kin was his father Willard Spidle of Blockhouse. He passed away in February 1966.

STRUM, Howard Ralph

Howard was conscripted into the 1st Depot Battalion of the NS on October 4, 1918 in Aldershot. He stated that he lived in Martins Point; was born there on May 29, 1892; he was a fisherman by trade; and that his next of kin was his mother, Mrs. Alice Strum of Martins Point.

STRUM, Harris Noonan

Harris was conscripted into the 1st Depot Battalion of the NS on July 31, 1918 in Halifax. He declared that he had been born in Martins River on September 8, 1882; he had been discharged from the army on November 11, 1917; and that his next of kin was his wife Alice Strum of Halifax. Harris was discharged two days after being found medically unfit for any military duties. He drowned in 1943.

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The sons of Armenious and Margaret Strum of Oakland:

STRUM, Moyle Armenious "Allan"

Moyle was conscripted into the 1st Depot Battalion of the NS on April 12, 1918 in Halifax. He declared that he had been born in Martins Point on February 4, 1896; he resided in Oakland; he was a fisherman by trade; and that his father George Armenious Strum of Oakland was his next of kin. Allan was wounded during the war. He became a house painter and passed away from a fall in 1951.

STRUM, Percy Eugene

Percy was conscripted into the 1st Depot Battalion of the NS on June 5, 1918 in Aldershot. He declared that he had been born in Oakland on April 13, 1897; he resided in Oakland; he was a fisherman by trade; and that his father, George Armenious Strum of Oakland was his next of kin.

The sons of Johnson and Tamer Swinehammer:

(All four brothers declared that they had been born in Gold River and that their mother, Mrs. Tamer Rafuse (she had been a widow and remarried in 1910) of Martins Point was their next of kin. Harry, Robert and William enlisted in the 219th Battalion on March 20, 1916 in Mahone Bay. All four brothers used the spelling of "Swinamer" upon enlisting)

SWINAMER, Harry

Harry was born on December 13, 1895. He served as a Lance-corporal. Harry passed away from poisoning in 1957.

SWINAMER, Robert A.

Robert was born on February 28, 1900 and lied about his age claiming that he was born in 1899 when he enlisted.

SWINAMER, William

William was born on October 29, 1894. He served as a Lance corporal and after the war he moved to Cambridge Massachusetts in 1921. William passed away in 1982.

SWINAMER, Peter

Peter was born on October 10, 1897 and enlisted on March 25, 1916. He served at the front with the 85th Battalion. Peter was recommended for a gallantry award (probably a DCM based upon the wordage used in the recommendation) in September 1918.

The recommendation reads "Lance Corporal Swinamer, Peter. Recommended for conspicuous gallantry in the face of the enemy. During the operation of September 2nd 1918, in front of the Sunken Road right of Dury, being the only NCO left in the platoon he showed great courage and ability. He organized a party to attack a machine gun nest which was holding up our advance. His party scattered the enemy and caused many casualties. He also did good work in re- organizing his platoon under extremely difficult circumstances being continuously exposed to machine gun and shell fire. This NCO displayed splendid judgement and utter disregard for personal safety during the attack." There is no record of the DCM or MM ever being awarded to LCpl Swinamer. Peter passed away on November 27, 1971.



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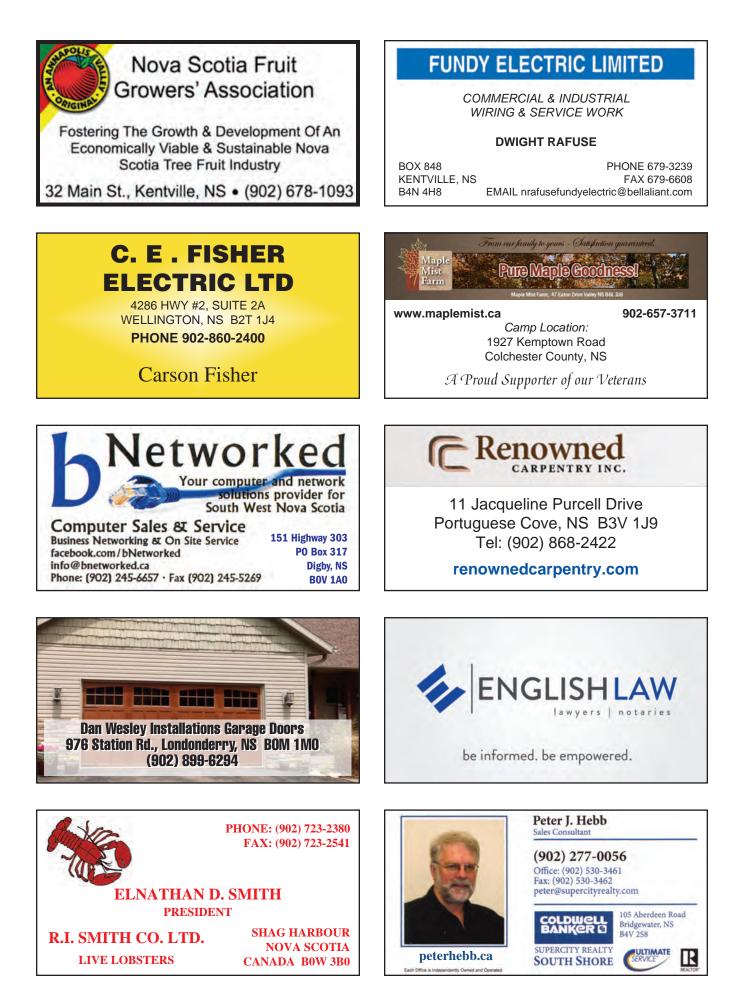
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The sons of Laura and Weddall Thompson of New Cornwall:

THOMPSON, Clarke D.

Clark, of New Cornwall, was the son of Waddal and Laura Thompson. He joined the Royal Canadian Regiment, enlisting at Shelburne on February 22, 1916, giving his age as twenty, and his occupation as Fisherman. He also noted that he had some previous military experience in the militia. Clark was killed in action, fighting just north of Vimy Ridge on May 13, 1917. He is buried in plot 6 A 19 in the Bois-Carre British Cemetery in Thelus, France, very close to the Vimy Memorial.

THOMPSON, Norman Parker

Norman was born on March 12, 1897 in New Cornwall and enlisted in the 112th Battalion on March 4, 1916, in Bridgewater. He declared, upon enlisting, that he had no military experience, was a fisherman and that his father was his next of kin. Local history notes that he was wounded during the war.

VEINO, Harry Victor

Harry enlisted in the 112th Battalion on December 6, 1916 in Lunenburg. He declared that he had been born in Blockhouse March 17, 1897; was a farmer; and that Hibbert Veino, his father was his next of kin. He was the son of Hibbert and Menetta Veino. Harry suffered a gunshot wound to his thigh during the war and passed away in August 1974.

VEINO, Robert Elijah

Robert was born in Newburn on March 10, 1897 and enlisted in the Canadian Engineers on March 3, 1917 in St-Jean, Quebec. Upon enlisting he declared that he was a lumberjack; that his sister, Mrs. Pearlie Oikle of Lower Northfield was his next of kin; and that he had served six months in the Royal Canadian Engineers (regular force).

VEINOT, Edward St. Clair

Edward was conscripted into the 1st Depot Battalion of the NS Regiment on June 5, 1918 at Aldershot. He stated that he was born on March 1, 1897 (his real date of birth was September 1, 1896) in Upper Northfield and declared that his mother Bessie Veinot of Upper Northfield was his next of kin. He was wounded during the war. Edward passed away in Bridgewater on December 17, 1961.

VEINOT, Robert Samuel

Robert enlisted in the Royal Canadian Artillery in Halifax on January 17, 1918 after serving 34 months on full time service as a reservist with the RCGA in Halifax. Upon enlisting he declared that he was a carpenter; had been born on November 20, 1871; and that his next of kin was his wife Minnie Veinot of Bridgewater. He passed away from a heart attack in 1948.

VEINOT, Charles Freeman

Freeman was conscripted into the 1st Depot Battalion of the East Ontario Regiment on April 16, 1918 in Trenton, ON. He declared that he was living in Trenton; was born in Bridgewater on September 6, 1894; and that his next of kin was his father Freeman Veinot of Bridgewater.

VEINOT, James Lynwood

James was born on April 26, 1903 to Hibbert and Minetta Veinot of Blockhouse. When 15-year-old James Veinot enlisted as a sapper in the Canadian Engineers in Halifax on September 9, 1918 he lied about his age claiming that he had been born in 1900. Upon enlisting he stated that his mother was his next of kin; that his trade was 'teamster;' and that he was single. James Veinot served as a sapper in Canada during the Great War and enlisted in the WNSR during WWII. He passed away in 1984.

VEINOTTE, Andrew

Andrew enlisted in the 17th Battalion in Val Cartier on September 26, 1914. He declared upon enlisting that he had been born in Mahone Bay on November 18, 1892; was a blacksmith; had reserve service in the artillery and that his next of kin was his wife Mrs. A.J. Veinotte of Mahone Bay.

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VEINOTTE, Avery Pearlie

Avery enlisted in Bridgewater on Christmas Eve in 1915, at age eighteen. He was assigned to 112th Battalion (The Annapolis Regiment) for training and was re-assigned to the 25th Battalion (Nova Scotia Rifles) upon reaching England. He recorded his occupation as "farmer" and place of birth as Maitland, NS. Avery died from wounds that he received during a trench raid against the German line on the night of February 5-6, 1918, and is buried in plot 1 A 1 in the Thelus Military Cemetery near Vimy Ridge in France.

VEINOTTE, Baxter Harris

Baxter served with the 25th Battalion and was killed in action at Vimy Ridge on April 9, 1917.

VEINOTTE, Carl Edwin

Carl enlisted in the 112th Battalion on December 29, 1915 in Lunenburg. He declared that he had been born in North West on August 1, 1893 and that this mother, Mrs. Louise Mader of Mahone Bay was his next of kin. He was wounded during the war.

VEINOTTE, Charles Alexander

Charles enlisted on March 2, 1916, in Bridgewater. Upon his enlistment, it was noted the he was 20 years old, single, a lumberman from Upper Cornwall, and that his brother, Edward Veinotte, was his next of kin. Charles became a member of the 25th Battalion (Nova Scotia Rifles) and died in a field hospital on April 27, 1917, of wounds that he received during the battle for Vimy Ridge. Charles is buried in plot 1 A 68 at the Commonwealth War Graves, extension of the Barlin Communal Cemetery in France.

VEINOTTE, Edward St. Clair

Edward was born on September 1, 1896 in New Cornwall. He enlisted in the 219th Battalion on March 13, 1916 in Mahone Bay – declaring that he was a farmer and that his uncle, Austin Veinotte of New Cornwall was his next of kin. He suffered a shrapnel wound to his shoulder and lost the sight in one eye during the war.

VEINOTTE, Everett Boecherstone

Everett enlisted in the 219th Battalion on March 10, 1916 in Mahone Bay. He declared that he had been born on August 15, 1881 in Mahone Bay; that he was a mechanic; and that his next of kin was his wife Elizabeth Veinotte of Mahone Bay. Everette served at the front with the 85th Battalion and suffered gunshot wounds to his thigh during the Battle of Passchendaele and gunshot wounds to his shoulder during the Battle of Amiens. According to local history he remained in hospital recovering from his wounds until May 1920.

VEINOTTE, George Allen

George was a 16-year-old Mahone Bay boy when he somehow enlisted in the CEF at Halifax on May 19, 1916. He was initially assigned to the Canadian Garrison Artillery and was transferred to the Canadian Field Artillery upon going overseas. George was the son of Jacob and Emily Veinotte of Mahone Bay and was killed in action six weeks after his 19th birthday on September 1, 1918 during the 2nd Battle of 2nd Arras. He is buried in plot 2 B 17 of the Vis-en-Artois British Cemetery, Haucourt, France.

VEINOTTE, Harry St. Clair

Harry enlisted in the 6th Battalion of the Canadian Garrison regiment on May 18, 1918 in Halifax. He had served for two weeks in the Composite Battalion before enlisting in the CEF. He declared that he had been born on January 24, 1900 in Mahone Bay and that his next of kin was his father Mr. Alexandra Veinotte of Mahone Bay.

VEINOTTE, Harry Leslie

Harry enlisted in the 112th Battalion on December 14, 1915 in Middleton. He declared that he had been born in Mahone Bay on July 28, 1897 and that his next of kin was his father Tilley Veinotte of Mahone Bay. He was wounded during the war.

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VEINOTTE, Roy Daniel

Roy was conscripted into the 1st Depot Battalion of the NS Regiment in Aldershot on June 15, 1918. He declared that he had been born in Blockhouse on September 23, 1895 and that his next of kin was his mother Cavella Veinotte of New Germany.

VEINOTTE, Wallace Charles

Wallace was conscripted into the 1st Depot Battalion of the NS Regiment in Aldershot on September 12, 1918. He declared that he had been born in Mahone Bay on November 27, 1896 and that his next of kin was his mother Zibiah Veinotte of Mahone Bay.

The sons of Allen and Louise Veinotte of Mahone Bay:

VEINOTTE, Carrol Edwin

Carrol enlisted in the 112th Battalion in Lunenburg on December 29, 1915. He stated that he had been born on August 1, 1893 in Northwest and that his next of kin was his mother Mrs. Louise Mader of Mahone Bay. He lost a leg during the war.

VEINOTTE, Frank David

Frank enlisted in the CEF as part of a Howitzer Ammunition Column draft in Halifax on August 31, 1916. He stated that he had been born on August 3, 1898 in Mahone Bay and that his next of kin was his mother Mrs. Louise Mader of Mahone Bay.

VEINOTTE, Kenneth Roy

Kenneth enlisted in the 9th Siege Battery of the RCGA in Saint John, NB on January 3, 1918. Upon enlisting he declared that he had been born on September 6, 1890 in Maitland and that his mother, Charlotte Hughes of Blockhouse was his next of kin.

WAGNER, William Lloyd

William was born on May 14, 1897 in Union Square and enlisted in Halifax on April 16, 1918 joining the 1st Depot Battalion of the NS Regiment as part of a "special draft from the composite battalion." He declared that he had served 27 months in the Composite Battalion and that his mother, Mrs. Janet Wagner of Union Square was his next of kin.

WAGNER, Benjamin

Benjamin, the son of Isaiah and Cassandra Wagner, was born in Bridgewater, NS on January 30, 1886. On March 2, 1916, he enlisted in the CEF at Bridgewater. Upon arriving to England, he was assigned to the 7th Battalion of the Canadian Railway Troops. During the period of June 4 to 6, 2017, his unit was involved with the construction of a rail line that was required to rapidly transport munitions forward to the British troops. This construction continued day and night under German shell fire. Benjamin was the only unit member to be wounded by artillery fire on June 4. Unfortunately, he succumbed to his wounds on June 6, 1917. His remains are buried in plot 12 C 38 in the Lijssenthoek Military Cemetery.

WALSH, Boyd

Boyd enlisted in the 249th Battalion on May 7, 1917 in Halifax. He declared that he had been born in Mahone Bay on May 3, 1899; was a student; and that his mother Mrs. Vavina Walsh of Mahone Bay was his next of kin.

WENTZELL, Charles Enos

Charles was conscripted into the 1st Depot Battalion of the NS Regiment on May 1, 1918 in Halifax. He stated that he had been born on August 13, 1894 at Indian Point; he was a carpenter; and that his next of kin was his father Captain Enos Wentzell.

WENTZELL, Morley Eldred

Morley enlisted in the 112th Battalion on March 22, 1916 in Bridgewater. Upon enlisting he declared that he had been born in Maplewood on April 23, 1897; he was a farmer; he had no militia experience; and that his father, Hiram Wentzell of Maplewood was his next of kin. Morley's name was amongst a 1927 list of wounded veterans of Mahone Bay area found at Branch 49 of the Royal Canadian Legion in January 2015.

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WENTZELL, Everett

Everette served in the 85th Battalion (Nova Scotia Highlanders) and was listed missing on October 30, 1917, during the heart breaking battle for Passchendaele. He was killed during the Highlanders' successful, yet very costly, attack on an objective known to the troops by its battle designator of "Vienna Cottage" just west of the town of Passchendaele. Everette is memorialized on a regimental monument that now stands on the "start line" of their final battle overlooking the Vienna Cottage. His body was never recovered and he is formally memorialized upon the walls of the Menin Gate in Ypres, Belgium.

WENTZELL, John Bernard

John enlisted in the 219th Battalion in Mahone Bay on March 10, 1916. Upon enlisting he stated that he was a fisherman; had been born on August 1, 1896 in Indian Point; and that his sister, Miss Blanche Wentzell of Halifax was his next of kin.

WESTHAVER, Edgar Bruce

Edgar enlisted in the RCGA in Halifax on November 10, 1915 and was posted to the St. Lucia Battery. Upon enlisting he declared that he had been born in Maders Cove on December 4, 1896; he was a farmer; he had some reserve service in the artillery; and that his next of kin was Henry Westhaver of Maders Cove.

WESTHAVER, Fred Lee

Fred enlisted in the 112th Battalion in Kentville on December 30, 1915. At the time of his enlistment he was living in Mahone Bay and he stated that he had been born in Bridgewater on November 27, 1896; was a fisherman by trade; and that his next of kin was his father Albert Westhaver of Mahone Bay.

WESTHAVER, Otto Percy

Otto enlisted in the RCGA in Halifax on November 18, 1915 and was posted to the St. Lucia Battery. He was the son of Peter and Priscilla Westhaver and was born in Mahone Bay on November 22, 1897.

WESTHAVER, Russell Reginald

Russell enlisted in the CEF on October 20, 1915, in Halifax. Upon enlistment, Russell declared Maders Cove as his place of birth and gave his occupation as a being a "labourer." He was assigned to the 85th Battalion (Nova Scotia Highlanders). Sixty-two Highlanders were killed on September 2, 1918, during an attack on German positions at Scarpe, France. Russell was among the dead. The attack broke the German Drocourt-Queant line. His remains are buried in plot 1 A 26 in the Dury Mill British Cemetery in France.

WESTHAVER, Sidney Everett Guy

Sidney enlisted in the RCGA in Halifax on November 7, 1915 and was posted to the St. Lucia Battery. He declared that he had seven months reserve service with the 1st Siege Battery; that he was a carpenter; that he was born in Maders Cove on October 2, 1896; and that his next of kin was his sister Ziphora Eisnor (the wife of Norman Eisenhauer) of Maders Cove.

WHILNEFF, Albert

Albert enlisted in the 40th Battalion in Kentville on May 4, 1915. Upon enlisting he stated that he was a lumberman; had been born in Mahone Bay on July 16, 1890; had six years militia service with the 1st Siege Battery; and that his next of kin was his father William Whilneff of Bathurst, NB. He passed away of bronchitis and pneumonia in 1963.

David enlisted in the RCGA in Halifax on March 10, 1915 and was posted to the St. Lucia Battery. Upon enlisting he declared that he had been born on November 25, 1897 in Oakland and that his father, Hiram Whynot of Labelle, Queens County was his next of kin.

WHYNOT, David

WILSON, Cecil Roy

Cecil enlisted in the Royal Canadian Engineers on September 23, 1918 in Halifax. He was posted to the RCE Signals section. Upon enlisting he declared that he was born on March 17, 1898 in Halifax; that he was a painter; that he had two years and 236 days of service with the 66th Battalion (Princess Louise Fusiliers (PLF)); and that his next of kin was his mother Mrs. Elizabeth Wilson of Halifax. He moved to Mahone Bay after the war and served with the PLF during WWII. The RCL crest hand painted by Cecil can still be seen the Mahone Bay Legion. continued

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WILSON, Morris H.

Morris enlisted in the RCGA in Halifax on November 16, 1915 and was posted to the St. Lucia Battery. Upon enlisting he declared that he had been born on September 4, 1898 in Indian Point; that he was a carpenter; and that his mother Josephine Eisnor Wilson of Oakland was his next of kin.

WRIGHT, Leon Bernard

Leon was born in Millford, NH, USA on March 4, 1895 and was living in Annapolis County when he was conscripted into the 1st Depot Battalion of the NS Regiment on January 5, 1918 in Halifax. He declared that his next of kin was his father Gorman Wright of Princedale and that he was a shipping clerk by trade. He became a Baptist minister in the early 1920's and moved to Mahone Bay in the early 1940's. Leon passed away in Mahone Bay in 1993.

YOUNG, Frank Conyers

Frank was born in Mahone Bay on October 8, 1885 and enlisted in the Garrison Military Police in Halifax on October 1, 1917. He was living in Halifax at the time with his wife Hattie May Young. Frank had thirty months service with the Composite Battalion before joining the CEF. He was unfit for overseas duty due to a medical category of "flat feet." He would end the war as a corporal. Frank passed away in Halifax in 1940.

ZINCK, Boyd Percy

Boyd enlisted in the 112th Battalion in Lunenburg on February 16, 1916. He stated that he had been born in Walden on September 24, 1897 and that his next of kin was his mother Mrs. Loretta Zinck of Mahone Bay.

ZINCK, Harden

Harden was working as a lumberman when he enlisted in the 219th Battalion in Barrington Passage on March 9, 1916. Upon enlisting he stated that he had been born in Walden on November 15, 1896; had some reserve service in the artillery; and that his next of kin was his sister Miss Loretta Zinck of Walden.

ZINCK, George Leon

George moved to Mahone Bay after the war. He enlisted in the Canadian Engineers on August 7, 1918 in Boston, Massachusetts, USA. Upon enlisting he stated that he had been born in Bridgewater on January 15, 1888; his place of residence was Jamaica Plains, Mass; and that his next of kin was Nellie Zinck of Jamaica Plains. George passed away in 1971 and is buried in Mahone Bay.

ZINK, Joseph Allen

Joseph was conscripted into the 1st Depot Battalion of the NS Regiment on August 17, 1918 in Aldershot. He declared that his next of kin was his brother Mr. Lemuel Zink of Walden; that he was a lumber man; and that had been born on February 14, 1889. He was declared "medically unfit for any military service" and discharged on August 19, 1918.

ZWICKER, Arthur James

Arthur was conscripted into the 1st Depot Battalion of the NS Regiment in Halifax on May 8, 1918. He declared that he had been born on October 9, 1889 in Blockhouse and that his father, Mr. Alfred G. Zwicker of Mahone Bay was his next of kin.

ZWICKER, Charles

Charles enlisted in the 40th Battalion in Halifax on July 8, 1915. He declared that he had been born in Mahone Bay on April 5, 1895 and that his mother, Mrs. Sophia Joudrey was his next of kin.

ZWICKER, Clarence

Clarence's name was found on a 1927 list of local veterans at the Mahone Bay Legion in January 2015. Clarence was born in Gold River on December 29, 1896 and enlisted in the 219th Battalion on March 9, 1916 in Barrington. Upon enlisting he noted that he had some militia experience with the local artillery battery and that his next of kin was his father George Zwicker of Gold River.

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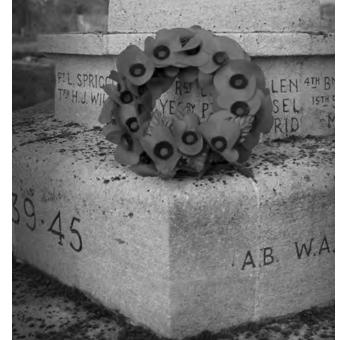
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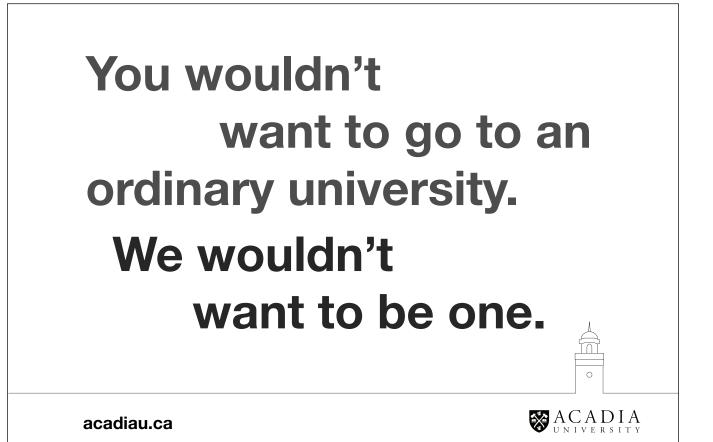


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ZWICKER, Francis Roy "Frank"

Frank enlisted in the 25th Battalion on November 19, 1914 in Halifax. Upon enlisting he declared that he had eighteen months reserve service with the Mahone Bay Battery; he had been born in Lunenburg in 1897; and that his next of kin was Norman Zwicker of Mahone Bay. He was gassed during the war and passed away in 1927 of pneumonia.

ZWICKER, Henry Wilfred

Henry was an engineer living in Mahone Bay when he opted to enlist in the CEF while on a trip to Ottawa. He enlisted in the 207th Battalion on January 10, 1916 declaring that he had been born in Mahone Bay on June 20, 1878; had served as a militia soldier in the 69th Regiment for fifteen years; had served as a regular soldier in the Royal Canadian Regiment for one year; and that his next of kin was his mother, Mrs. A.H. (Elizabeth) Zwicker of Mahone Bay. He passed away of pneumonia in 1963.

ZWICKER, John Edward

John enlisted in the 6th Battalion Canadian Garrison Regiment on McNab's Island on May 7, 1918. He declared that he had previous service with the 63rd Regiment but had been declared medically unfit for overseas duty. At the time of his enlistment he was living in Dartmouth. He declared that he was born in Mahone Bay on September 23, 1893 and that his next of kin was his father, James Albert Zwicker of Dartmouth. He would end the war as a sergeant. He passed away in 1961 of heart disease.

ZWICKER, Otto Albert

Otto enlisted in the 219th Battalion in Mahone Bay on March 13, 1916. Upon enlisting he declared that he was a blacksmith; was born in Mahone Bay on February 11, 1896; and that his mother, Mrs. Lovella Zwicker of Mahone Bay was his next of kin.



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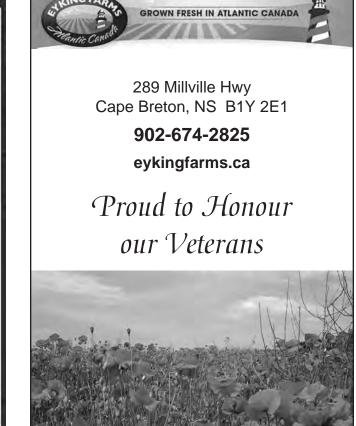
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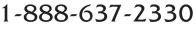
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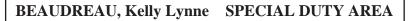




BEAUDREAU, Daniel Joseph François SPECIAL DUTY AREA

Daniel was born in Sorel, Québec in 1961. He enlisted in the Air Force with the Canadian Forces Medical Services, serving in Canada and the United Nations. He is an eighteen-year member of The Royal Canadian Legion Bridgewater Branch 024.

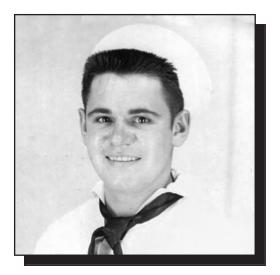
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Kelly was born in Bridgewater, Nova Scotia in 1969. She enlisted in the Army with the Canadian Forces Medical Services and served in Canada.

Submitted by Family





BOARDWAY, Joseph Robert "J.R."

KOREA

Joseph was born in Oswego, New York in 1935. He enlisted in the Navy as a Torpedoman with the U.S.S. Stephen Potter DD538, and served in Korea. He is a 37-year member of The Royal Canadian Legion Stellarton Branch 28.

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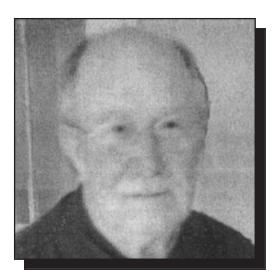
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CARR, David George

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David was born in Saint John, New Brunswick on May 15, 1942. He was the son of Raymond and Wilma (Spear) Carr. David served 28 and half years in the Royal Canadian Air Force, having been stationed in Shearwater, Greenwood, Ottawa and Borden, ON where he retired. He received the CDN Volunteer Medal and the Long Service Award. After retirement he found a second career as an accountant. Later David and Marsha returned "home" to Greenwood. Travelling was his passion, David and Marsha spent winters at their second home in Fort Myers, Florida where he enjoyed the hot weather. David passed away on June 15, 2018.

Submitted by Pugwash Branch #060, The Royal Canadian Legion

EMBREE, Lorne Carter WWII & SPECIAL DUTY AREA

Lorne was born in Warren, Nova Scotia on January 16, 1915, the son of Ernest and Jennie (Carter) Embree. He enlisted in the Army and served in Canada, France, Holland, Germany and the Netherlands during World War II. He received the Canadian Volunteer Medal, the War Medal 1939-1945, NATO, French and Holland Star as well as Netherlands Liberation Medal. He was a member of the Amherst Legion Branch 10. Lorne passed away on May 26, 2018.

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GIDNEY, Sydney Lambert

WWI

Sydney was born in Mink Cove, Digby Co., Nova Scotia in 1897. He enlisted in the Army with the 7th Battery, Canadian Field Artillery, 2nd Brigade, 1st Division. He served at Ypres, Somme, Passchendaele and Vimy Ridge during World War I. He was a ten year member of the Bridgewater Legion Branch 24. Sydney passed away in 1976.

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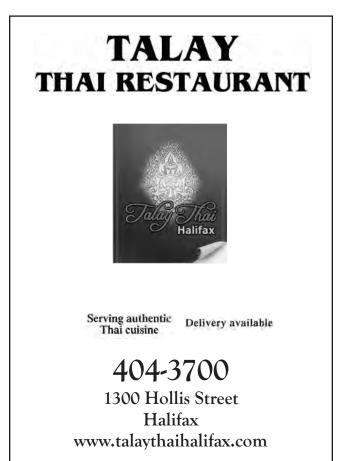


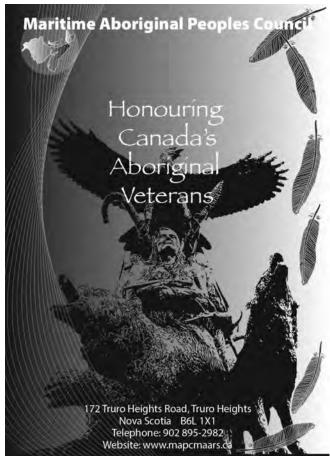
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GREENO, Arthur Raymond

WWII

Raymond was born in Newport, Hants Co., Nova Scotia in 1924. He enlisted in the Army with the West Novies which became the 48th Highlanders overseas. He trained as a sniper. In 1944, he was wounded at Lamone River Crossing in Italy and spent over a year in a Convalescent hospital in England. He served in North Africa, Sicily and Italy during World War II as Corporal. Arthur passed away in 1997.

Submitted by Family

HENDERSON, Robert "Bob"

Bob was born on January 15, 1934 in Charlottetown, PEI. He enlisted in the US Navy and served during the Korean War. He served on HMCS Ontario, Magnificent La Hulloise, Huron and Algonquin. Bob is a 41year member of Bridgewater Legion Branch 24.

Submitted Independently

KOREA





HOWIE, Arthur Mansfield

WWI

Arthur was born in 1890 in Cape Breton, Nova Scotia. He enlisted in the Army with the CEF, Canadian Field Artillery as a Gunner. He was killed in action at Vimy Ridge on April 18, 1917. His name is on a War Memorial located at Donkin Branch 5 of The Royal Canadian Legion. He is buried at Cabaret-Rouge Cemetery, Souchez, Pas-de-Calais in France.

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HUNTER, J. Ralph

SPECIAL DUTY AREA

Ralph was born in Springhill, Nova Scotia on July 22, 1927, the second son of Wylie and Violet (Churchill) Hunter. He enlisted in the Royal Canadian Air Force in 1957 and was posted to Greenwood, NS, Metz, France and Halifax during his military career. He also served with the UN Peace Keeping Unit in Ismalia, Egypt from 1974 to 1975. He received the Canadian Volunteer Medal, the UN Peacekeeping Medal, the French Medal, the NATO Medal and the Canadian Long Service Medal. He later worked in Finance for the City of Halifax. He married Elspa Nelson of Amherst in 1950 and they had two sons, Keith and David. Ralph passed away on July 2, 2018.

Submitted by Pugwash Branch #060, The Royal Canadian Legion

JOHNSON, Donna Treasa

Donna was born in Oxford, Nova Scotia in 1933. She served in the Navy as a Clerk in Halifax and the High Seas. She is a member of the Malagash Legion Branch 97.

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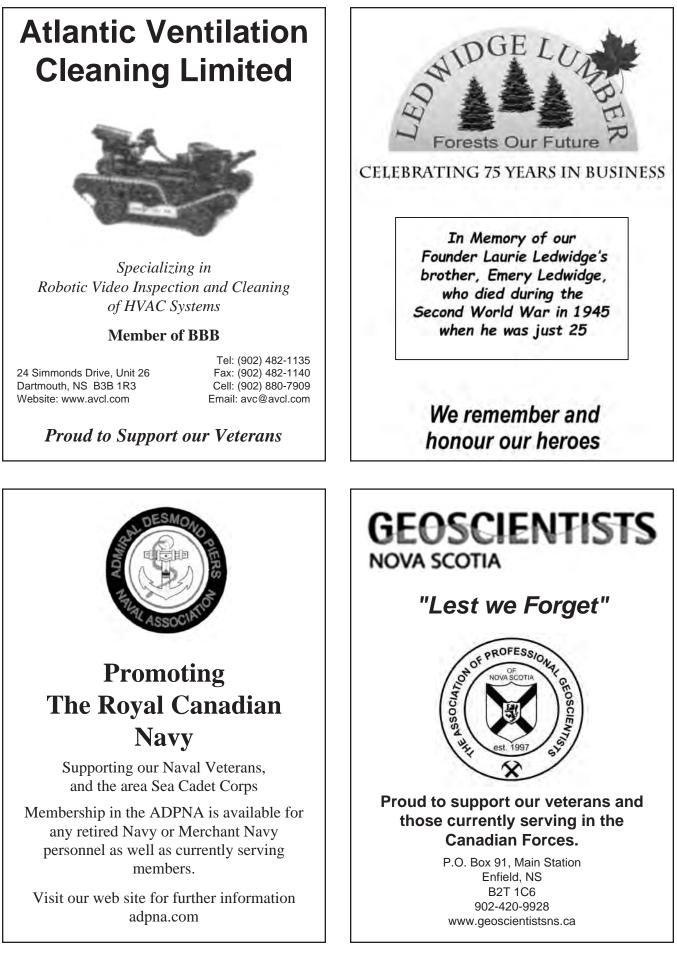
KEELING, George

SPECIAL DUTY AREA

WWI

George was born in Stafford, England in August 1893. He enlisted in the Army with the 40th Battalion, CEF and served in England during World War I. He was a fifteen-year member of the Legion Whycocomagh Branch 123. George passed away in 1980.

Submitted Independently







LEDWIDGE, Emery James

WWII

Emery served with the West Nova Scotia Regiment RCIC. He was the son of James Robert and Ida Mary Ledwidge of Goff Halifax County, NS. Emery was killed in action on Tuesday, January 2, 1945 at the age of 25 in a landmine accident in Italy. He is buried in Ravenna War Cemetery, Italy in the perpetual care of the Commonwealth War Graves Commission. Emery is commemorated on page 533 of the Second World War Book of Remembrance.

Submitted by the Montgomery Branch #133, The Royal Canadian Legion

LEVANGIE, Joseph A.

Joseph was born in Antigonish, Nova Scotia in 1922. He enlisted in the Canadian Army and served in Canada and Britain during World War II. He was a 25-year member of the Antigonish Aaras Legion Branch. Joseph passed away in 2005.

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WWII



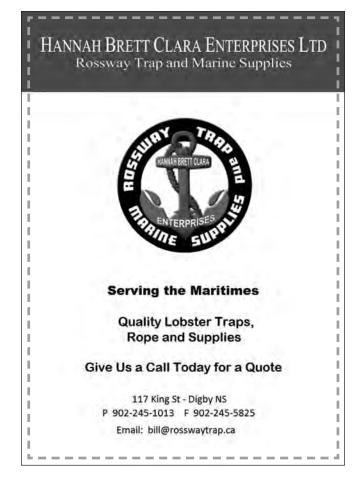


MacDONALD, Neil Francis

WWII

Neil was born in Glace Bay, Nova Scotia in 1919. He enlisted in the Army with the Canadian Scottish Regiment. He served in Canada, Britain and Northwest Europe during World War II. Neil was killed in action on February 19, 1945 in Germany. He was awarded the 1939-1945 Star, the Defence Medal, the France and Germany Star, the Canadian Volunteer Service Medal with Clasp and the 1939-1945 War Medal.

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MacDONALD, Philip Stephen

WWII

Philip was born in Glace Bay, Nova Scotia in 1914. He enlisted in the Merchant Navy and served during World War II. He was a member of the Legion Branches in Glace Bay and Sydney. Philip passed away in 1998.

Submitted by Family

MacNEIL, Gerald Austin Robert "Gerry"

Gerry was born in Guysborough, NS in 1942 and raised in Halifax. He became a Cadet at age twelve, and enlisted in the Canadian Armed Forces militia in 1958. After seven years of the militia, Gerry enlisted into the regular force on November 16, 1964. Throughout his career Gerry served in Gagetown, Germany, Shilo, Cyprus, and Halifax. In 1992 he was transferred to the Reserves and posted to District HQ in the position of Recruiting Coordinator for the NS District. On April 1, 1995 Gerry was posted to the 1st FD Regiment RCA as BSM 51 Battery until April 22, 1997 when he was placed on the SRR list. On April 23, 1997 he was transferred from the SRR list and attached posted to 2501 RCACC as the training officer until April 22, 2007 when he aged out and retired for the third time. Not being one to give in easily Gerry took the supply officer position as a volunteer in 2501 RCACC, where he presently serves. He presently resides in the St. Margarets Bay area with family, enjoying boating, sports, camping and playing his chanter. He is a 25-year member of the F.E. Butler Legion Branch 44. Submitted Independently





ODERKIRK, Chester "Glen" SPECIAL DUTY AREA & PEACETIME

Glen was born on September 12, 1935 in Parrsboro, Nova Scotia. Glen was a member of the Canadian Armed Forces – Artillery (1RCHA) and served our country for 37 years. Glen enlisted in the Armed Forces in Halifax, NS on February 1, 1954 and retired on September 12, 1990 in Trenton, ON. At his retirement he held the rank of Captain. He received the Canadian Long Service Medal and Canadian Volunteer Service Medal. Glen married Kathryn Hildebrand on May 12, 1956. Glen passed away on May 5, 2018.

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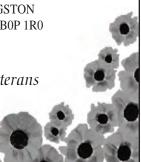
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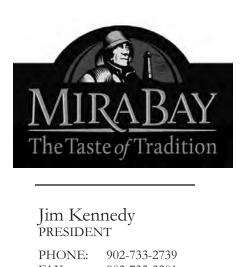
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PAQUET, Mélissa

SPECIAL DUTY AREA

Melissa was born in 1975. She enlisted in the Canadian Armed Forces in 1999 as an armoured solider. Following postings to 12e Régiment blindé du Canada and the Royal Canadian Dragoons, Mélissa deployed to Afghanistan in 2005. She was the Top Female Athlete during her Basic Training; Mélissa was an accomplished athlete who competed regionally and nationally in biathlon, winning numerous competitions and awards. Always looking to challenge herself, Mélissa applied to and was accepted for selection with the Canadian Special Operations Regiment (CSOR). In 2006, she became the first and only female to become a CSOR Special Forces Operator. Mélissa was a parachutist, Mountain Operations specialist and Recce Patrolmen, to name a few of her many qualifications. She was deployed with the Canadian Special Operations Forces Command mission in Afghanistan in 2007. She received the Canadian Volunteer Medal. Mélissa was a loving wife and godmother to three children. Amongst her friends and close colleagues she was known for her love of travel and adventure, water and whales. She was renowned for her warrior spirit and resiliency. Mélissa passed away in 2018. Submitted by Pugwash Branch #060, The Royal Canadian Legion

POLLOCK, Darren Andrew SPECIAL DUTY AREA & PEACETIME

Darren was born in 1976 in Saint John, NB and enrolled into the Canadian Armed Forces Saint John in 1994 with the Royal New Brunswick Regiment. In November 2004, Darren joined the Canadian Military Engineers when he completed component transfer to the Regular Force as a Water Fuel Environment (WFE) Technician. He completed his Qualification Level 3 at the Canadian School of Military Engineering (CFSME) in Gagetown, NB in July 2005 and had a successful and rewarding career as a WFE Technician. Darren deployed to TF Afghanistan on ROTO 2 and then was a WFE Instructor at CFSME Gagetown from July 2009 to July 2011. He was then posted to Canadian Forces Base Halifax, NS as a WFE Technician/Supervisor. Darren deployed on ROTO 8, Op REASSURANCE and was awarded the Canadian Forces Decoration 1st Clasp and the General Campaign Star – South West Asia. Darren passed away in 2018. *Submitted by Pugwash Branch #060, The Royal Canadian Legion*

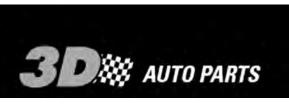




SNOW, Jeffrey Lyle SPECIAL DUTY AREA/PEACETIME

Jeffrey was born in Prince Edward Island in 1986. He served in the Canadian Army and Air Force. Jeffrey passed away in 2018.

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STEWART, Calvin Thomas

WWII

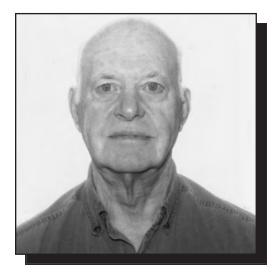
Calvin was born in West Indian Road, Hants County in 1923, the son of William and Sarah (Mason) Stewart. He was a Veteran of World War II, retiring after 30 plus years as a Mechanic with the Royal Canadian Air Force MSE Section. He received the CDN Volunteer Medal and the WWII Medal. Calvin passed away in 2018. He was the last surviving member of his immediate family.

Submitted by Pugwash #060, The Royal Canadian Legion

STRONG, Merlin Douglas "Merle" SPECIAL DUTY AREA

Merle was born in Clarenville, Newfoundland in 1943. He enlisted in the Navy and served in Halifax on HMCS Cap de la Madeleine. He is an eighteen-year member of the Royal Canadian Legion Bridgewater Branch 24.

Submitted by Bridgewater Branch #024, The Royal Canadian Legion

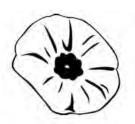




WHITE, Alfred Perry SPECIAL DUTY AREA & PEACETIME

Perry was born in Joggins, NS in 1926, the son of Oman and Elda (Rogers) White. He enlisted in the Armed Forces and served for more than twenty years, serving with the Black Watch and RCR in Camp Aldershot, Germany, Cyprus and CFB Gagetown. He received the CDN Volunteer Medal, Special Duty Medal and NATO Medal. He was a long-time member of the Black Watch Association and a 45 year member of the Royal Canadian Legion. After retiring from the Forces, he worked for twenty years for Sumner Plumbing, Fredericton. He loved animals and enjoyed nature, playing cards, reading Western novels, watching Star Trek, and most of all, spending time with family and friends. Perry passed away on December 14, 2017.

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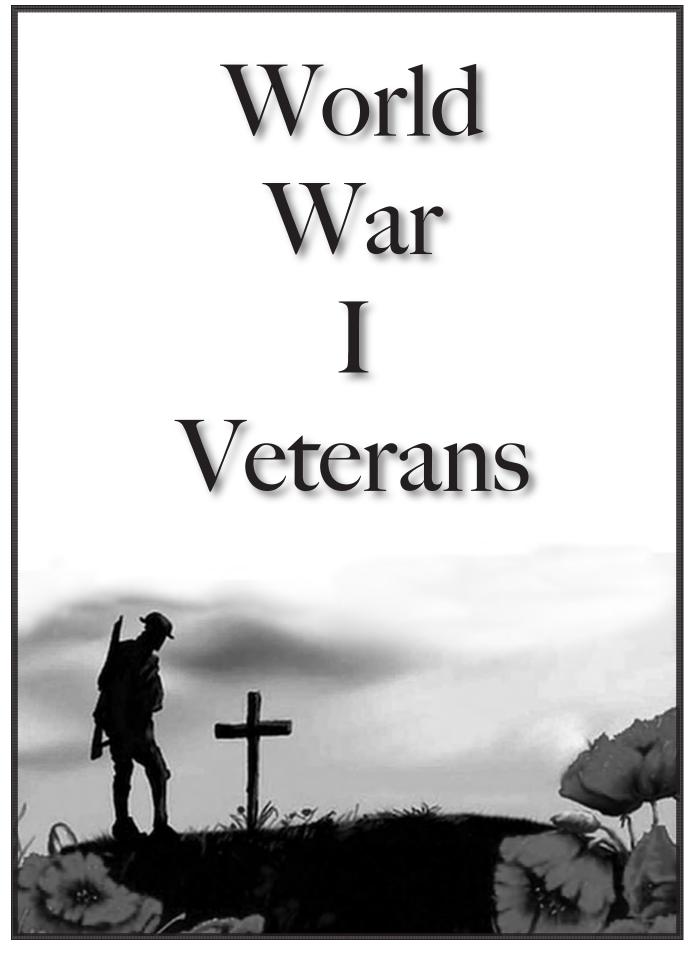
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ADAMS, G.A.

WWI

Private Adams enlisted at the age of 36 at Halifax around the November 1, 1917 in the Nova Scotia Forestry Battalion (No. 12) and sailed for England less than a month later. Various sections of his unit performed invaluable services in England, Scotland and France providing the necessary timber which was required in tremendous quantities all along the line of operations. Being detained in England on special duty he was only able to cross over to France a short time before the armistice was signed.

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ALLEN, Thomas W.

Thomas enlisted in the first days of the war joining up with the 4th Canadian Mounted Rifles in 1914 and crossed the ocean with his regiment in 1915 and developed into a splendid fighter. Unfortunately, he was taken prisoner on the Somme on June 2, 1915 and sent to Prisoner's Camp at Friedrichsfeld Ber Wesel and was imprisoned in Germany for three years.

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ANDERSON, Frederick Nelson

WWI

WWI

Frederick enlisted on July 28, 1915 with the 40th Battalion in England and after training at Val Cartier he reached England in the fall of the same year and then transferred to the 25th Battalion. With this famous unit he fought from the spring of 1916, being wounded on August 9. Later he was again wounded and as a result was long confined to hospital.

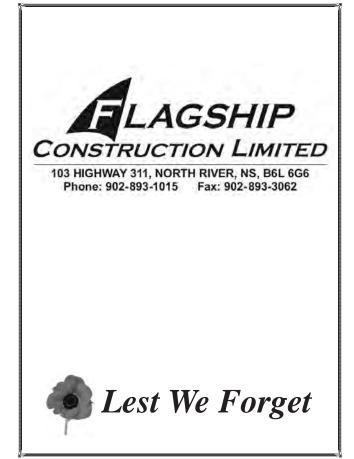
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ANDERSON, William Oscar

WWI

WWI

Oscar enlisted on July 28, 1915 with the 40th Battalion and after training at Val Cartier he reached England in the fall of the same year. In the spring of 1916 when the 40th was broken up he transferred to the 1st C.M.G. Battalion and went to France in the summer. There he fought until gassed and wounded in November 1917. On recovery, he returned to the trenches.

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ATKINS, Melvin Graydon

Melvin enlisted as a private in November 1916 and trained for three weeks at Toronto and then sailed with the mechanical transport reaching France in March 1917. From that time until the Armistice, he was engaged in driving munitions and men to the trenches over roads that were many times under shell fire and exposed top aerial attack, but he escaped without a scratch, his only casualty being an attack of Spanish Influenza which sent him to hospital.

Submitted by the Middleton Branch #001, The Royal Canadian Legion





BAGLEY, Charles

WWI

Charles enlisted in the 40th Battalion at Halifax on August 6, 1915 at the age of forty and received preliminary training in Canada and sailed from Quebec for overseas in the fall of the same year. During his year of service in England he was promoted to the rank of Staff Sergeant. In December 1916 he proceeded to France and was on active service for many months and answered the call of his country through a brave spirit of generosity for being over the age limit. He felt that the services of every man were needed to meet the great crisis and his constant promotions are a proof of his earnest desire to serve his country. Previous to his enlistment, Charles had been employed with the government.

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BAXTER, John S.

WWI

WWI

John was only seventeen when he joined the 66th P.L.F. and trained at Wellington Barracks, Halifax. He volunteered for overseas and sailed on January 22 to England being attached to the 17th Reserve at east Sandling. On March 17 he crossed to France joining the 2nd Canadian Pioneers and was though the Third Battle of Ypres, at St. Eloi and through the fierce battles of the Somme. He then served on the Lens Front and took part in the capture of Vimy Ridge and was sent two months later to England with an injured foot; while there he was made an instructor in the 25th Reserve and then to France again in June 1918. While in England he married Miss Nellie Martin and with his wife and little daughter arrived back in Canada in the spring of 1919.

Submitted by the Middleton Branch #001, The Royal Canadian Legion

BECKWITH, B. M.

Captain Beckwith is one of the few men who hold the distinction of having fought through two bloody wars. At the time of the South African War, he enlisted with the Canadian Mounted Rifles and that inspired him to do his share when the world's greatest war broke out in 1914. He then enlisted and received his commission as a Lieutenant in the 6th Canadian Mounted Rifles in 1915 and accompanied this unit to France where he was transferred to the Trench Mortar Battery and then to the 5th C.M.R. He was wounded on October 2, 1916 and invalided to England where he was made Adjutant of the Training Camp at Shoreham. Captain Beckwith took part in the Vimy, Lens, Somme and other great battles. He returned to the firing line in May 1918.

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BLACKMAN, George Alexander

WWI

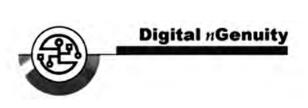
George enlisted at eighteen in the Army Corps in January 1917 and proceeded to England with this unit. After being in England a short time he was transferred at his own request to the infantry and was sent in a draft to France and attached to the Royal Canadian Regiment in September 1917. He was not there long when his regiment was ordered along with the other units of the Canadian Corps to take part on Passchendaele Ridge. On October 29, 1917 he was severely wounded in going over the top which resulted in the losing of one of his arms. He was invalided to England and on becoming convalescent was returned home to Halifax shortly after the Armistice was signed.



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BLAKENEY, Clarence A.

WWI

Clarence, second eldest son had served in the 66th for about fifteen years holding sergeant's stripes. When war broke out along with his brothers he answered the first day training three months in Sussex with the 64th and reverted to private to go to France. At Vimy Ridge, he was recommended for a commission and got the rank of Lieutenant.

Submitted by the Middleton Branch #001, The Royal Canadian Legion

BLAKENEY, Harold K.

Harold, fourth eldest son, enlisted with the original 25th and sailed with them to England and was badly gassed at Courcellette and sent to England where he was physical instructor with "C" Co. 2nd C.C.D. at Bramshott Camp.

Submitted by the Middleton Branch #001, The Royal Canadian Legion

WWI





BLAKENEY, Howard E.

WWI

Howard, the eldest of the five sons of Mr. and Mrs. A.H. Blakeney was part of the 17th Battalion and after sailing to England he was transferred to the 1st Divisional Train Army Corps and was an instructor at Shorncliffe for a year and was offered rank of Captain to remain as such, but instead gave up his color sergeant's crown and went to France. In April 1918 he came home on furlough and an instructor in the Depot Battalion in Aldershot.

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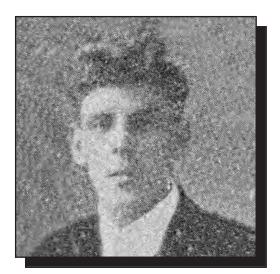
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BLAKENEY, J. Arthur

WWI

Arthur, third eldest son was with the original 66th and transferred to the Royal Engineers and after two years of service he was discharged unfit because of poor eyesight.

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BLAKENEY, Raymond C.

WWI

Raymond, fifth son joined the original 66th Battalion and sailed with the 1st Contingent and he was made Corporal on the way and reverted to go to France in the 1st Field Ambulance. During an engagement he had a leg broken and was sent to England. After a year there, he was transferred to the 25th and again sailed from France in March 1918. After again recovering from wounds received he was stationed at the Base, France.

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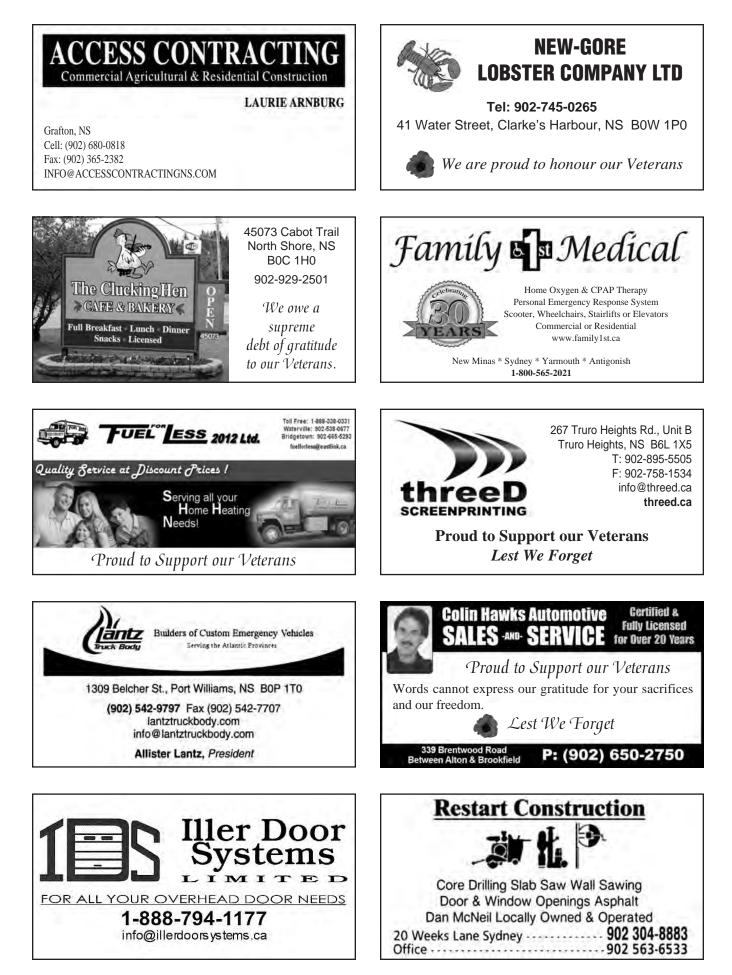




BLOIS, Arthur

WWI

Arthur was a Captain in the 66th P.L.F. but surrendered his commission in order to see speedier service enlisting in the 40th Battalion and was soon transferred to the 64th and became a Lieutenant. He accompanied the 64th Battalion to England in March 1916 and when this Battalion was broken up there he was attached to the 25th in eleven months in the field, an achievement all the more notable because this was one of Canada's hardest fighting battalions. Arthur was awarded the Distinguished Service Order for gallantry and devotion at Vimy Ridge on April 9, 1917.







BOLAND, Arthur William

WWI

WWI

Arthur, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward James Boland, Dartmouth, NS enlisted for service in November, 1916 in the Howitzer Ammunition Column as a driver and left for overseas in January 1917. He was wounded in the left arm and right leg at the Battle of Passchendaele and was invalided home in May 1918.

Submitted by the Middleton Branch #001, The Royal Canadian Legion

BOLAND, John Russell

John enlisted on January 19, 1916 in the 112th Battalion in Halifax and sailed in July 1916 for England where he was stationed at Bramshott and then went to France in October 1916 and was transferred to the 25th Battalion and was in the Battle of Somme, Vimy, Passchendaele and was killed instantly at Hill 70 on August 15, 1917.

Submitted by the Middleton Branch #001, The Royal Canadian Legion





BONNELL, Richard George

WWI

Richard enlisted with the original 85th Battalion in mid-summer of 1915 and accompanied his battalion to England sailing there on October 13, 1916 and after a period of preliminary training he went to France where he was promoted to the rank of Sergeant. He fought through the series of engagements from Vimy Ridge to Passchendaele and yet escaped without a scratch. His work won the approval of his military superiors and was recommended for a commission and was in training for it when the Armistice was signed.







BOURINOT, John J.

WWI

WWI

John was born in Port Hawkesbury, Cape Breton and enlisted on October 24, 1915 with the 36th Field Battery commanded by Major Walter Crowe. He trained two days later in Fredericton, NB and then sailed for England and was stationed at Bramshott and at Witley Camp. He left for France in July 1916 and took an active part in the heavy fighting at Ypres, the Somme, Arras and was invalided out of the line from Vimy Ridge in April 1971 and returned to Canada for discharge in December 1917. He was honourably discharged on June 24, 1918 being unfit for further service. From then until the Armistice was signed, he worked on 18 pounder shells at J.W. Cummings & Son, in New Glasgow. He is the only son of J.C. Bourinot, M.P.P., Inverness Co. NS.

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BRADLEY, James William

James, enlisted at Halifax on March 2, 1916 in "A" Company, 219th Battalion and after completing his preliminary training he sailed for England on October 13, 1916 and remained until the following May on special duty, crossing to France with No. 35 Company, Canadian Forestry Battalion serving in France for over two years and a half, fortunately without being wounded. The Canadian Forestry Battalions were responsible for keeping up the tremendous supply of timber required all along the line of operations. He returned to England on January 21, 1919 on his way home.

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BRADLEY, Richard

WWI

Richard enlisted at Halifax in the 66th Regiment in November 1914 and sailed for England in the following January and remained there for only about six weeks when he crossed to the firing line with the 8th Battalion Engineers, "A" Company taking an active part in the battle of the Somme and other engagements which brought fame to the Canadian Corps fortunately without receiving any wounds. Before his enlistment, Richard was a carpenter by trade.

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BRITTAIN, Louis W.

WWI

WWI

Louis enlisted at eighteen in the Royal Canadian Engineers early in the autumn of 1915 and the following winter he spent completing the necessary training for overseas duty in Halifax. He sailed on Good Friday, 1916 with his unit for St. Lucia, British West Indies. Louis is the son of Mrs. Charles Brittain of Halifax and was serving as a clerk in a store before his enlistment.

Submitted by the Middleton Branch #001, The Royal Canadian Legion

BROCKLEBANK, William H.

William enlisted at the age of fifteen in the Manchester Regiment and saw service in the Boer War. When his regiment was later disbanded he came out to Canada and joined the RCR and at the end of his term of service he returned to civil life and when the war was declared he enlisted with the 66th P.L.F. and left on the same ship for England with his brother-in-law, Sergeant Baxter and took part in many engagements. He was later transferred to the Canadian Engineers with the rank of Sergeant and later promoted to Quarter-Master Sergeant and was one among the first Canadians to enter Germany.

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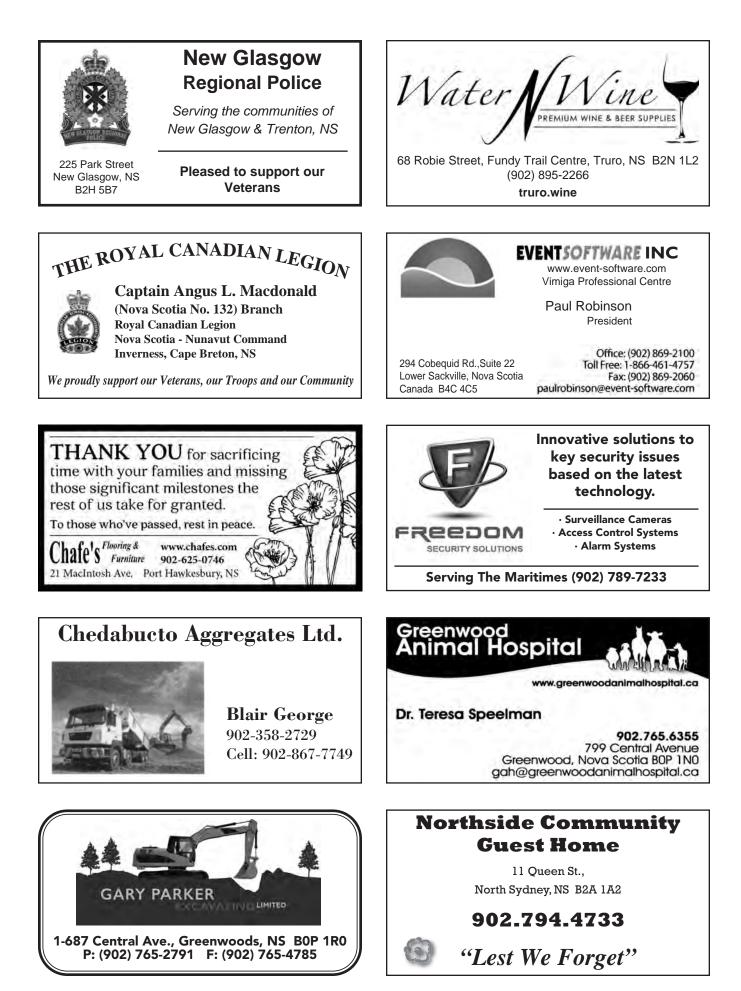




BURKE, Patrick L.

WWI

Patrick enlisted with the 66th Battalion in Halifax on August 14, 1914 and succeeded in getting overseas on January 22, 1916 where he was transferred to the 43rd Highlanders. He was wounded in France on Empire Day, 1916 and went to England for treatment and after recovery returned to France where he fought without further mishap taking part in the Battle of Mons when Armistice was signed.



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BURRILL, Lawrence

WWI

WWI

Lawrence was born in Kemptville, Yarmouth Co and joined the Canadian Railway Troops serving in Canada. He worked as a lumberman in Kemptville after WWI.

Submitted by the Carleton Consolidated Branch #167, The Royal Canadian Legion

CAMPBELL, William

William enlisted on March 8, 1916 at Port Hawkesbury and went to Broughton and joined the 185th Battalion and went in June to Aldershot Camp completing his training there and sailing for England on October 13, 1916 and was stationed at Witley Camp, Surrey until March 1, 1918 when he left in a draft for the Royal Canadian Regiment in France and served on the Arras front and took an active part in the big drive of August 8. He was hit by shrapnel from an exploding shell being wounded in the left thigh and right wrist and was sent to the Dorchester V.A.D. Hospital and from there to Epsom for convalescent treatment, returning home at the time of demobilization.



Submitted by the Middleton Branch #001, The Royal Canadian Legion



CARTER, Frank Leslie

WWI & WWII

Frank was born in Phillip's Harbour, NS on October 28, 1894 and served with the Canadian Army Active Force during WWI and with the Pictou Highlanders in WWII. He was a Life Member of the Torbay Branch 117. Frank passed away on October 25, 1986 and will always be remembered and respected for his years of service.

Submitted by the Torbay Branch #117, The Royal Canadian Legion



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COCHRANE, Roy A.

WWI

WWI

Roy enlisted on May 26, 1916 in the 4th Division Army Service Corps and sailed for England on June 22, 1916 and remained there on special duty until February 1918 when he crossed to France and remained there until the signing of the Armistice. He was engaged in the hazardous duty of transporting ammunition and supplies to the front line.

Submitted by the Middleton Branch #001, The Royal Canadian Legion

CURRIE, Clive W.

Clive, only son of N.A. Currie of Halifax was at the opening of hostilities a student at the Halifax Academy and enlisted with the Artillery at Charlottetown, PEI on August 6, 1914 being only seventeen years old and was sent to Canso, NS with his unit to protect cable station. He joined the 2nd Canadian Siege Battery in June 1915 and went overseas in October and then to France on April 1916, where he fought with his unit until the close of hostilities. He was then posted to headquarters staff in Germany.

Submitted by the Middleton Branch #001, The Royal Canadian Legion





DAY, Robert E.

WWI

Robert enlisted in the 6th CMR and was wounded in 1916 with shell shock and also suffered from trench fever and as a result he was invalided to England and on partial recovery made instructor at Bramshott.



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DAY, W. Fenwick

WWI

Sergeant Day enlisted in 1915 with the 6th Canadian Mounted Rifles and proceeded to France and saw long and hard service being badly gassed in February. On August 9, 1918 he made the supreme sacrifice being killed in action during the last offensive of the war.

Submitted by the Middleton Branch #001, The Royal Canadian Legion

DURKEE, Charles H.

Charles enlisted on April 12, 1916 in the 219th Battalion at Yarmouth and trained in Aldershot. He was turned down from the 219th as being medically unfit for service overseas when they sailed for England. He was sent to Wellington Barracks, Halifax and remained on duty there until December 6, 1917 when he was killed.

Submitted by the Middleton Branch #001, The Royal Canadian Legion

WWI





DURKEE, Forrester

WWI

Forrester was nineteen years of age when he enlisted on November 5, 1917 in the 63rd Regiment at Halifax and was transferred in June, 1918 to the 6th C.G.R. on the North Common and was still attached to the same unit when the Armistice was signed and he expected to go to France.







EDMONDS, Thomas Francis

WWI

WWI

Thomas enlisted with the 25th Nova Scotia Battalion and shared in the score of battles and victories that won fame for this celebrated battalion. These battles included the bloody ones at Ypres, the Somme and many more together with the decisive ones being in the closing days of the war. Though his battalion has a casualty list many times its original strength, Thomas came through the war unscathed.

Submitted by the Middleton Branch #001, The Royal Canadian Legion

EDWARDS, Roy S.

Roy joined the 63rd Regiment at age sixteen and qualified for a sergeant's certificate a year later in that Corps. He secured a position at Saint John, NB and transferred at that time to the 62nd St. John Fusiliers and became Sergeant Instructor. Up to October 1914 he served as Company Sergeant Major of the 62nd Home Defence Company and then joined the 26th as a private and rose to Battalion Sergeant Major and reached the front in September 1915. After a year in the front line service with the 26th he was recommended for Lieutenancy and then transferred back to Canada to take his commission in the 246th Nova Scotia Highlanders. He was gassed while with the 2nd C.M.G.C.R.D. in July 1918 and took three months of treatment and when he pronounced fit again he got back to the firing line.

Submitted by the Middleton Branch #001, The Royal Canadian Legion





GIFFIN, Lester Douglas

WWI

"L. D." was born at Isaacs Harbour, NS on December 18, 1893. He joined the Canadian Army, 85th Battalion in March 1916, and served in the UK and France. He was gassed in September 1918 and sent to England to convalesce. He returned home after the Armistice was signed. He lived until July 16, 1991, when he passed away at the Middleton VAC. "L. D." is mentioned in Pierre Berton's book Vimy.



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GIFFIN, Randolph Murray

WWI

Randolph was born at Isaacs Harbour on June 18, 1896, and joined the Canadian Army, 219th Battalion in March 1916. He eventually ended up with the 85th, the same unit in which his brother "L. D." served. He fought at Vimy Ridge and was killed in battle at Valenciennes on October 22, 1918.

Submitted by Middleton Branch #001, The Royal Canadian Legion

GRAHAM, Allister Sanford

WWI

Allie, son of Peter Woodbury and Minnie (Johnson) Graham of Burnside, was born in 1894. He was recruited in 1917 and served overseas. He was shot through the neck and declared dead and tossed on a pile of bodies until someone saw him move and rescued him. He married Jennie Fraser, daughter of George and Minnie (Deyarmond) Fraser of Pembroke and settled in Easthampton, Massachusetts where he worked for an ice company and then a coal company and later at a men's clothing store. Allie passed away in 1985.

Submitted by the Stewaicke Valley Historical Society





GRAHAM, Andrew Chester

WWI

Chester, born in 1891, was an adopted son of Charles and Ann (Johnson) Graham of Burnside. He was recruited in 1917 and signed with the 1st Nova Scotia Battalion. He married Bertha Graham, daughter of Ned and Cassie (MacKay) Graham of Burnside, and lived in Massachusetts, first in Hatfield, then in Northampton. He operated the Hatfield Ice Company. Chester passed away in 1984.

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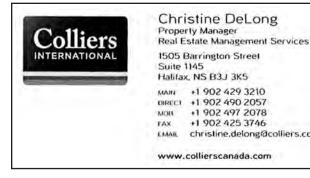


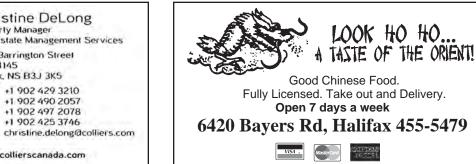


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GRAHAM, Frederick Alexander WWI & WWII

Fred was born in 1893 in Burnside, son of Ned and Cassie (MacKay) Graham. He served in both WWI and WWII. In WWI, he was a Corporal in the 106th Battalion of the Canadian Expeditionary Force serving in France and receiving a bullet wound in his right hand. In WWII, he served in Canada with the Veteran's Guard and the Canadian Army. He married Emma May Redmond and lived in Middle Musquodoboit. Fred worked as a carpenter and was also employed by the local school board. He passed away in 1972.

Submitted by the Stewiacke Valley Historical Society

GRAHAM, James Perley

WWI

Perley was born in 1896 in Burnside, son of Peter Woodbury and Minnie (Johnson) Graham. He was recruited in 1917. He and his brother Allie were to have gone overseas together, but Perley contracted mumps, so he was sent later, and the war ended by the time he got overseas. He married Lelia Frances Fulton, daughter of Walter and Laura (Crockett) Fulton, and lived in Easthampton, Massachusetts. He acquired the Wagner Ice Company there and later sold it when electric refrigerators came in. Perley passed away in 1970.

Submitted by the Stewiacke Valley Historical Society





GRAHAM, Maxwell

WWI

Maxwell was born in Burnside in 1888, son of William and Eva (Johnson) Graham. He enlisted in 1916 in the 106th Battalion of the Canadian Infantry, Nova Scotia Regiment, and was later moved to the 25th Battalion, Canadian Infantry. He fought in the trenches for over six months and was killed at the Battle of Vimy Ridge on April 9, 1917. Maxwell is buried in Thelus Military Cemetery, Pas-de-Calais, France.

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GRAHAM, Robert Olin

WWI

Olin, son of William and Eva (Johnson) Graham of Burnside, was born in 1887, and enlisted in March 1916 and served in the United Kingdom, France and Germany with the 193rd, the 73rd and the 25th Battalions. He fought at Vimy Ridge and was later wounded and sent to hospital in England. He and his brother, Maxwell, met in the trenches in France. On returning from overseas, he went to the United States for a time, then returned to Burnside where he worked in the woods. Robert passed away in 1964.

Submitted by the Stewiacke Valley Historical Society

GRANT, Peter Eugene

Peter, son of Charles and Margaret (Cox) Grant of Cross Roads, was born in 1899 and joined the Active Militia and was stationed at Fort Ogilvie in Halifax. He married Gertrude Jackson from PEI. They had a chicken farm in Spencer, Massachusetts, and moved to California in 1968. Peter passed away in 1992.

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WWI



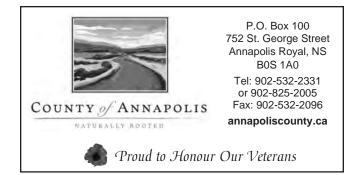


JOHNSON, Charlie

WWI

Charlie, son of Viola and William Johnson, was born in Bridgetown, NS, in 1892 and joined the Canadian Overseas Expeditionary Forces, 29th Division in December 1915 in Digby, NS at age 22. He sailed from Halifax on July 23, 1916, and arrived in Liverpool, England, on July 31, 1916, and then arrived in France on September 13, 1917. Charlie was killed in action at Vimy Ridge, France, on August 9, 1918 at age 26.

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JOHNSON, Francis McGill "Mac"

WWI

Mac, as he was known, was born in 1898, the son of William and Jessie (Harrison) Johnson of Upper Stewiacke Village and Cross Roads. He enlisted in 1915 in the 106th Battalion and went overseas with them. After the war, he returned to Cross Roads for a time, then moved to British Columbia, married, and lived there for the rest of his life. Mac passed away in 1969.

Submitted by the Stewiacke Valley Historical Society

JOHNSON, Frederick Douglas

Doug, son of George and Annie (Creelman) Johnson of Newton Mills, was born in 1896. He was recruited in 1917. Prior to this, he had been farming in Alberta. He went overseas with the 1st Depot Battalion Alberta Regiment and served in England following his basic training. After the war, he returned to Alberta and purchased land and continued farming. He married Laura Hubbel. Doug passed away in 1970.

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JOHNSON, Harry Arthur

WWI

WWI

Harry, son of Arthur and Margaret (Creelman) Johnson of Newton Mills, was born in 1892 and served overseas with the 193rd, the 75th and the 20th Battalions. He received special mention in a military dispatch, which in turn earned him a special military medal with oak leaves. After the war, he worked in different parts of Nova Scotia with the Department of Agriculture, then became postmaster at Upper Stewiacke, a position that he held until his retirement in 1959. He married Norma Cox, daughter of J. D. and Annie (Johnson) Cox of Upper Stewiacke Village.

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JOHNSON, James Foster

WWI

WWI & WWII

Foster, son of George and Annie (Creelman) Johnson of Newton Mills, was born in 1893 and enlisted in Truro in 1914. In 1915 he joined the Canadian Mounted Rifles and trained in Val Cartier then went overseas. He was sent to France but developed pneumonia so was taken back to England. He later went back to France and saw active duty at Vimy and Passchendaele, where he was gassed with mustard gas. He returned to Canada in 1919. He enlisted again for WWII and served in various places in Canada. James was then sent overseas again, and in 1943, he helped escort 3,000 German Prisoners of War to Canada. He finished his war career as an instructor in Debert. He married Mary Logan from Cross Roads and lived in Alberta.

Submitted by the Stewiacke Valley Historical Society

KENNEDY, Arthur Logan

Artie (or A.L.), as he was known, was born in 1896, the son of David and Margaret (McMullen) Kennedy of Upper Stewiacke Village. He was sent overseas and saw front line action in 1916. He was once buried alive in debris from an enemy shell until someone saw his hand move and rescued him. Later, he was seriously wounded when hit in the head by a bullet. He spent months in Germany and British hospitals. Artie worked as a police officer in England for a time. He married Lillian Cooper of Bexhell-on-Sea, Sussex, England. After the birth of their first son, they came back to Nova Scotia and lived in Upper Stewiacke where Artie farmed. He served as County Councillor for the area at the time. He passed away in 1982.

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KENRICK, Frank Oliver

WWI & WWII

Frank was born in Massachusetts in 1894 and enlisted in the American Army in 1918 and served one year overseas in France, and later with the Army of Occupation in Germany. He married Ellen Kathleen MacKenzie from Halfway Brook, who had gone to Massachusetts to work. After WWI, they moved from there to Middle Stewiacke where he operated a general store. Frank enlisted in the Canadian Army during WWII and served as Sergeant Major at Debert where he was in charge of the Fire Department. After WWII, he continued to operate the store, later in partnership with his two sons. Frank passed away in 1960.

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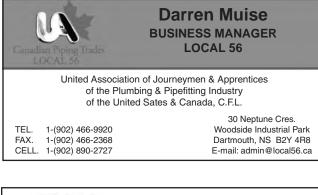


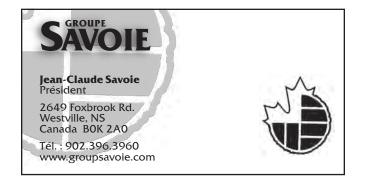
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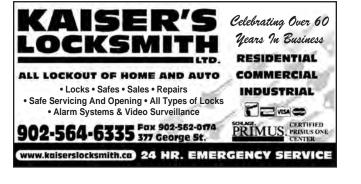




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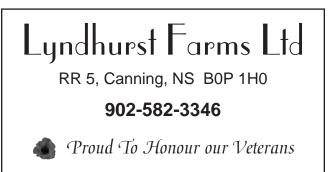
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LOGAN, Jotham Wilbert

WWI

WWI

Jotham, son of Andrew and Martha (Cox) Logan of Pembroke and Cross Roads, was born in 1864. He attended Truro Normal College then taught school before entering Dalhousie University. He received his B.A. in 1894 and his M.A. in 1909 and taught Latin and Greek at the Halifax Academy. In 1914, Jotham enlisted, going overseas as Captain with the 25th Infantry Battalion. He served in France and Belgium from 1915 to 1919. When the war ended, he returned to teaching at the Academy. He was a member of the Dalhousie faculty for fifty years and a Governor of the University, where he was well known and respected as an outstanding teacher. Jotham passed away in 1958.

Submitted by the Stewiacke Valley Historical Society

MacDONALD, Frederick Herbert

Frederick of Fall River, NS, joined the 63rd Battalion on McNab's Island on April 12, 1918, and served in the 85th Battalion in France. He came home and was discharged on June 8, 1919, at 24 years of age. He has three daughters in the CWAC and a son in the Army. Frederick and his wife had two more daughters at home. Frederick passed away on July 23, 1964, at the age of seventy.

Submitted by the Dieppe Branch #090, The Royal Canadian Legion





MacKENZIE, Charles Rutherford

WWI

Charles, son of John Fraser and Elizabeth (Rutherford) MacKenzie of Halfway Brook, was born in 1892, enlisted in 1914, and went to the front in February 1915. He was at the battle north of Ypres and was badly wounded at Hill 60 and was taken to hospital in England, and stayed in England for about two years. During his time in England, he married Bertha Tugwell. He returned to the front in April 1917, and was killed in action on August 15, 1917. His name is on the Vimy Ridge Memorial as he has no known grave.



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MacKENZIE, John Fraser

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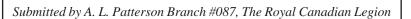
Fraser, son of John Fraser and Elizabeth (Rutherford) MacKenzie of Halfway Brook, was born in 1891. He was living in California but went to Vancouver to enlist in the Canadian Army and joined the 6th Field Company, C.E. Railway Construction Draft #2. He went to the front in July 1917 and remained there until the war ended. He married Alice Cullen of California and they made their home there. Fraser passed away in 1978.

Submitted by the Stewiacke Valley Historical Society

MAHONEY, Charles Peter

WWI & WWII

Charles was born in 1901 and enlisted in the Merchant Marines out of Cape Breton in 1917. He returned to civil duty after the war and married Iris Weagle, and together they had six children. In February 1941, at the age of forty, he enlisted at Halifax and served in Canada, the United Kingdom and the Central Mediterranean Area. Charles received the Canadian Volunteer Medal and Clasp. He returned to civil life in June 1945 and lived in the North Queens area. He was a founding member of A. L. Patterson Branch 87 in Caledonia. Charles passed away in 1983 at age 82.



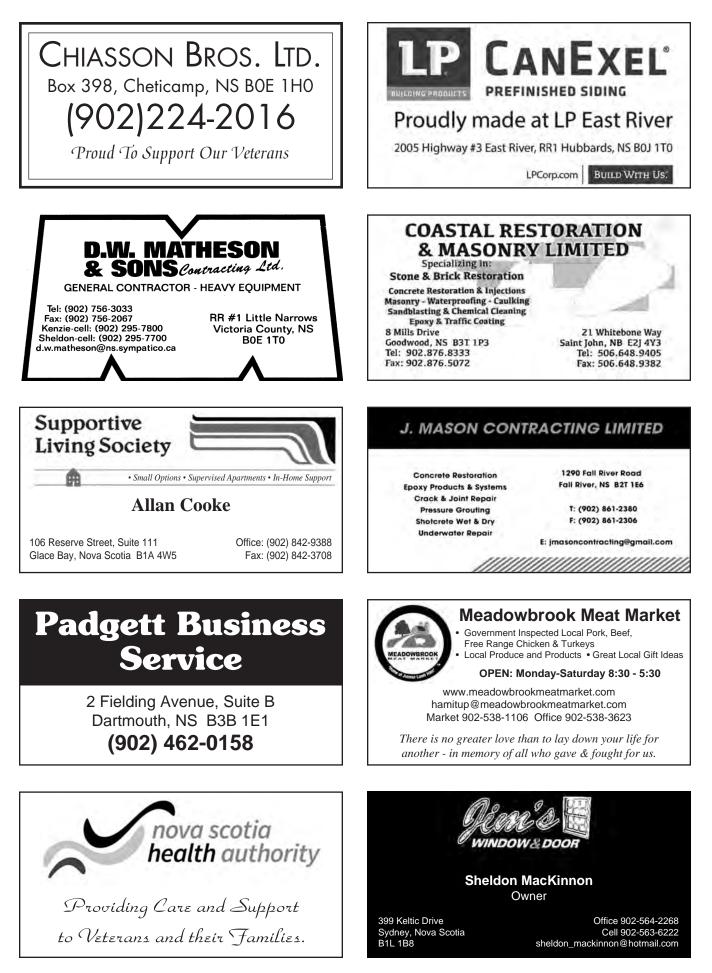




MAYNARD, George William

WWI

Bill, son of James and Margaret Jane (Wright) Maynard, was born in 1896 at Goshen, Upper Stewiacke and served with the 106th Battalion. After the war, he married Florence Letitia Boomer of Brookfield and settled there as a carpenter. He passed away in 1981.







McKAY, Gordon

WWI

Gordon was born in Thorburn, NS, and was working as a policeman when he enlisted in the CEF on September 10, 1915 at Sydney, NS, at age 25. He was part of 36 Battery of the Canadian Field Artillery and was killed on September 2, 1918, on the DQ Line in France. His remains are buried in plot 2 D 21 in the Monchy British Cemetery in Monchyle-Preux, France.

Submitted by Mahone Bay Branch #049, The Royal Canadian Legion

MERSEREAU, Byron McLeod

WWI & WWII

Byron was born in New Brunswick in 1894, son of Taylor Trueman and Minnie (McLeod) Mersereau, and served overseas in WWI with the 21st Howitzer Battery in England, France and Belgium. He served at Vimy Ridge, the Somme and Ypres among other places. He enlisted again when WWII began and served with the Veterans Guard in Fredericton before joining the Forestry Corps and going overseas to serve in England and Scotland. He married Winnifred Bunker and worked in civilian life for the CPR and retired to Middle Stewiacke. He passed away in 1982.

Submitted by the Stewiacke Valley Historical Society





MILLEN, Raymond Lee

WWI & WWII

Ray, son of James Andrew and Margaret (Watson) Millen of South Branch, was born in 1896 and served in the militia in WWI and signed up again in WWII. He achieved the rank of Major. After the war, he was employed as a locomotive engineer. He married (1) Catherine McIntosh, and (2) Pearl (Graham) Cooper, daughter of George and Matilda (Harrison) Graham of Cross Roads and lived in Pembroke for a time, and later in Truro. Ray passed away in 1976.







MILLER, Allen Henry

WWI

Allen, son of Henry and Selina (Henry) Miller of Upper Stewiacke, was born in 1892 and enlisted in 1913 with the 193rd Battalion. After the war, he married Carrie (Henderson) Linnell of Massachusetts, and formerly of Camden, NS. They lived in several parts of the United States. Allen passed away in Massachusetts in 1972.

Submitted by the Stewiacke Valley Historical Society

MILLER, Ernest Foster

WWI

Ernest was born in Nova Scotia in December 1873. He served in the Royal Canadian Army in Europe. Ernest passed away on July 25, 1942.

Submitted by Queens. Co. Branch #166, The Royal Canadian Legion

MILLER, John "Jack"

WWI

Jack, son of Henry and Selina (Henry) Miller of Upper Stewiacke, was born in 1888 and served overseas with the 106th Battalion and was wounded at Hill 70. After the war, he married Enid Henley of Pleasant Valley, Upper Musquodoboit, and lived in various parts of Upper Stewiacke. He was a caretaker of Riverside Cemetery for some years. Jack passed away in 1973.



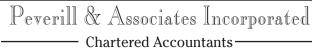


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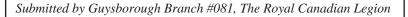
WWI

Amos was born in Jeddore, NS in 1887, and served with the 31st Battalion Canadian Infantry (Alberta Regt) in France. Lance Corporal Amos Mitchell was killed in action in France in 1917. He is buried and remembered with honour at Vimy Memorial, Pas de Calais, France.

Submitted by Four Harbour's Branch #120, The Royal Canadian Legion

MORRISON, Sholto Douglas

Sholto served with the Canadian Expeditionary Force from December 21, 1914 to August 31, 1919. He was twenty years old when he first became a Sapper with the 2nd Divisional Engineers. He attained commissioned rank of Signalling Officer with the NS Rifles as part of the 106th Overseas Battalion of the CEF. The first two years of his military career included service in Canada and England with the 2nd Divisional Engineers, 5th Field Company, CEF, 2nd Signal Company, CEF, 106th Battalion, 40th Battalion, 26th Res. Battalion, N.S.R.D. and General List. In 1917, he joined the newly-formed Royal Flying Corps and had postings with the British Expeditionary Force in France. Sholto passed away in 1978.







MURDOCK, H. Ward

WWI

WWI & WWII

Ward was born in Amherst, NS, on April 4, 1895. On March 8, 1916, he joined the Canadian Overseas Expeditionary Force with the 85th. In 1939, Ward was commanding the Infantry Training Centre at Aldershot, NS. On June 3, 1940, the North NS Highlanders were included in the 9th Infantry Brigade of the 3rd Canadian Infantry Division and Lieutenant-Colonel Murdock was its CO. On May 20, 1942, he was promoted to Brigadier and returned to Canada on June 8, 1942, to command the 18th Brigade in the 6th Division on the West Coast. He was President of Colchester Branch 026 from 1931 to 1934. He passed away in 1963. Honours and awards he received include: Commander of the British Empire, Efficiency Decoration, Canadian Volunteer Service Medal, Defence of Britain, Canadian War 1939-1945, George 5th Jubilee, British War 1914-1918, and the Victory Medal.

Submitted by Colchester Branch #026, The Royal Canadian Legion







MYERS, Clarence Odis

WWI

Clarence was born in Oyster Pond, Jedore, NS in 1893. He served with the 4th Battalion Canadian Infantry, Central Ontario Regiment in France as Lance Corporal. He was killed in action in 1917 and is buried in Lapugnoy Military Cemetery, Pas de Calais, France.

Submitted by Four Harbour's Branch #120, The Royal Canadian Legion

NEWTON, Willard

Willard, son of Charles and Agnes (Laird) Newton of Middle Stewiacke, was born in 1881 and served overseas with the 93rd Battalion. After the war, he worked 35 years as a section man with the CNR. He married Georgie McPhee of East Indian Road, Hants County. He passed away in 1976.

Submitted by the Stewiacke Valley Historical Society

WWI





NICKERSON, J. E.

WWI

Lance Corporal Nickerson was born at Sable Island, NS in 1880. He served with the Cape Breton Highlanders 185th overseas. He passed away in 1959.

Submitted by Chedabucto Branch #046, The Royal Canadian Legion







NORSE, Thomas E.

WWI

Thomas of Middle Cornwall joined the CEF on December 2, 1914, in Halifax and was assigned to the 25th Battalion (Nova Scotia Rifles). At the time of his enlistment, he was a 29-year-old shoemaker. Thomas was involved during the battle for Hill 62 in the Ypres Salient and was listed missing on December 2, 1916. His body was never recovered and he is memorialized along with 54,322 other Commonwealth war dead who were killed in Belgium but have no known graves on the Menin Gate in Ypres, Belgium.

Submitted by Mahone Bay Branch #049, The Royal Canadian Legion

O'BRIEN, James

James was born in Elmsdale, NS in 1883. He served in the Royal Canadian Army. He was a member of Elsmsdale Branch 48, The Royal Canadian Legion, and served as President of the Branch from 1938 to 1940. James passed away in 1950.

Submitted by Elsmsdale Branch #048, The Royal Canadian Legion

WWI





PARKER, Norman MacKelvie

WWI

Parker was born in 1897, and was another son of Reverend Lewis W. and Anna (MacKelvie) Parker of Middle Stewiacke. He was a Lance Corporal in the Canadian Infantry, Central Ontario Regiment, 58th Battalion. He was killed in action on October 26, 1917, and is buried in Poelcapelle British Cemetery, Belgium.







PEARSON, William Edward

WWI

WWI

Edward, son of William and Matilda (McMullen) Pearson of Upper Stewiacke Village was born in 1895. He was recruited in 1917, trained at Aldershot and became a member of the 1st Nova Scotia Battalion. After the war, he went to Massachusetts and married Barbara Skinner and lived in Waltham, Massachusetts. He worked as a machinist for Sherman Paper Products. Edward passed away in 1963.

Submitted by the Stewiacke Valley Historical Society

PETERMANN, Wilfred Ferrier

From a Private in the ranks of the Cobalt Regiment to a Major on the battlefield, Wilfred was killed in action at the Battle of the Somme in 1916. He was only 28 years old, and it has been recorded that he was wounded six times before he was killed. He won the Military Cross, and is buried in Albert Cornnlunal Cemetery Extension in Somme, France.

Submitted by Colchester Branch #026, The Royal Canadian Legion





PHINNEY, Hugh A.

WWI & WWII

Hugh was born in Middelton, NS in 1896. He joined the Air Force in 1916, trained as a pilot and served in Canada. He rejoined as a pilot instructor in 1940 and served at Summerside, PEI and Peers, Alberta, until his retirement in 1944. Hugh passed away in 1961.

Submitted by Middleton Branch #001, The Royal Canadian Legion







PRATT, Charles Edward

WWI

WWI

Charles, son of John Henry and Sarah Ann (Pratt) Pratt of Smithfield, was born in 1889 and served as a Lance Corporal with the Canadian Infantry, Quebec Regiment, 13th Battalion. He was killed in battle on October 8, 1916. There is no gravesite and his name is on the Vimy Memorial at Pas de Calais, France.

Submitted by the Stewiacke Valley Historical Society

PRATT, John James Alexander "Sandy"

Sandy, son of John Henry and Sarah Ann (Pratt) Pratt of Smithfield, was born in 1892. He enlisted in Winnipeg and spent some time overseas. After the war, he again went west and eventually homesteaded near Hines Creek, AB. He was involved in community affairs and was a great supporter of the Alberta Farmers Union in his community. He passed away in 1947.

Submitted by the Stewiacke Valley Historical Society





PREST, Boyd Embree

WWI

Boyd was born in Mooseland, NS in 1898. He served with the Royal Canadian Engineers in Canada. Boyd passed away in 1953.

Submitted by Four Harbour's Branch #120, The Royal Canadian Legion



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PREST, Harry Clark

WWI

Harry was born in Mooseland, NS in 1891. He served with the 246th Battalion, Canadian Expeditionary Force in England and France. Harry passed away in 1973.

Submitted by Four Harbour's Branch #120, The Royal Canadian Legion

PURCHASE, Henry Eric

WWI

Eric, son of Henry Archer Purchase of Harborne, Birmingham, England, was born in 1895. He was sent to Canada at age sixteen, and lived with a family at Cross Roads. He enlisted in 1916 in the 193rd Battalion, Canadian Expeditionary Force. After the war, he married Lila MacKay, daughter of J. William and Emma Jane (Deyarmond) MacKay of Burnside. They lived in Chicago, where he worked on the railway. When he retired, they returned to Upper Stewiacke, building a new home in Otter Brook. Eric passed away in 1961.

Submitted by the Stewiacke Valley Historical Society





REID, George

WWI

George was born in Petites, NL in 1890. He passed away in 1935.

Submitted by his daughter, Zelda McPhail. of Westside Branch #126, The Royal Canadian Legion, Ladies Auxiliary



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RHUDE, Burton S.

WWI

Burton enlisted in January 1916 and trained with the Royal Canadian Horse Artillery in Kingston, sailing for England on April 1, 1916. He was transferred as Pay Sergeant to the Pay and Record Office in London but reverted and went to France in November 1917 with the 43rd Howitzers, Canadian Field Artillery. He was in every engagement with them until the Armistice was signed.

Submitted by the Middleton Branch #001, The Royal Canadian Legion

RHYNO, George Edgar

WWI & WWII

Ed, son of William and Anna Rhyno of Sheet Harbour, was born in 1895. He was recruited in 1917, fought at Vimy Ridge and in the trenches in France. He enlisted again during WWII and was part of the Veterans Guard. He was a guard at the Welland Canal checking for Germans who might show up. He guarded the bridge in the daytime and the bank of the canal at night. He went back to Timmins after the war and worked in a gold mine. In later years, he returned to Upper Stewiacke and died there in 1959.

Submitted by the Stewiacke Valley Historical Society





RITCHIE, Wylie Arthur

WWI & WWII

Wylie was born in Middleton, NS. He joined the Canadian Army, 16th Canadian Scottish Regiment and served overseas. He was gassed and wounded, but survived to remain in the war until 1918. He re-joined for World War II and served in Debert, NS, from 1939 to 1945. His sons, Donald, Forrest, and John (Jack) also served in World War II. Wylie's wife was a Nursing Sister in World War I.

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RUSSELL, Roy Franklyn

WWI

WWI

Russell was born in Clam Harbour, NS, in 1897. He served in the Canadian Army in the First Depot Battalion Regiment from 1918 to 1919. He received the Canadian Volunteer Service Medal and Clasp, and 1939-1945 Star. Roy passed away in 1964.

Submitted by Four Harbours Branch #120, The Royal Canadian Legion

RUTHERFORD, Roy Foster

Roy, son of Frederick and Isabel (Waddell) Rutherford of Middle Stewiacke, was born in 1896. He was drafted in 1917, and spent some time at Camp Aldershot. After the war, he went to California, married and settled there. Roy passed away in 1935.

Submitted by the Stewiacke Valley Historical Society





SANFORD, Kenneth

WWI & WWII

Kenneth, son of Thomas Richard and Emma Jane (Brown) Sanford was born in 1898. The family lived for a time in Newton Mills. He served in WWI and WWII. During WWII, he was a scout at a Prisoner of War camp for Germans in Monteith, ON. Later, he worked for Hollinger Gold Mines in Timmins, and for the Ontario Provincial Government as a conservation officer. He married Anna May Rhyno of Eastville. Kenneth passed away in 1985.

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SANFORD, Thomas Richard

WWI

Thomas, son of John and Jane (Jack) Sanford, was born in 1875. He married Emma Jane Brown of Woodside, Upper Musquodoboit, in 1896 and lived in Caribou Gold Mines before moving to Newton Mills, where they remained for several years. He enlisted in Truro in 1916 with the 193rd Battalion. He died in Camp Hill Hospital, Halifax in 1943.

Submitted by the Stewiacke Valley Historical Society

SHAFFNER, Karl C. "KC"

WWI & WWII

KC was born in Middleton, NS, in 1897. He joined the Canadian Army, King's Canadian Hussars in 1915 and served in France. He was wounded in Corselet in 1915 and was sent to England for treatment. Amazingly, he was treated by Dr. Sponagle, a Canadian Army Doctor who delivered him when he was born. He remained in the UK and returned home in 1919. After the war, he attended Camp Aldershot, received his commission and spent World War II as an instructor in Canada until his retirement from military life. He lived in Middleton and was a Charter Member and Past President of Middleton Branch 001 of The Royal Canadian Legion. KC passed away in 1989.



Submitted by Middleton Branch #001, The Royal Canadian Legion



SHRUM, James H.

WWI

James enlisted with the 66th Princess Louise Fusiliers and sailed overseas on January 22, 1915. He fought through all the big battles, was buried twice in shell holes, was shell shocked and invalided to England.

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SITEMAN, John Andrew

WWI & WWII

John was born in Lower Ship Harbour, NS, in 1897. He was a P.O. Sailmaker in the North Atlantic and Pacific Oceans with the 2nd Battalion 45th in England. He served from 1917 to 1918 in World War I and from 1939 to 1946 in World War II. He received the British War Medal, Victory Medal, Canadian Volunteer Service Medal and Clasp, and 1939-1945 Star.

Submitted by Four Harbours Branch #120, The Royal Canadian Legion

SLADE, William

WWI

William was born in England in 1900 and came to Canada in 1904. He lived in Mulgrave until 1915 when he enlisted in 106th Battalion. He was with the 95 Regiment, transferred to the 25th Battalion and fought at Vimy Ridge, Hill 70 and Passchendaele in 1917. He was at the Liberation of France, also serving in Belgium and Germany until 1919 when he was discharged in Halifax, NS. He received the British War Medal and the Victory Medal. His brother Arthur fought with the US Army and a sister was a nurse with the British Army. After the war, he went to the US, married and had a son then came to the Monastery area in the 1930s after he was widowed. In 1939, he married Elsie Hart with whom he had 4 children. William is buried in Linwood Anglican Cemetery.

Submitted by Tracadie & District





SMITH, Graham Cox

WWI

Graham, born in 1887, was a twin son of David Holmes and Martha (Fulton) Smith of Otter Brook. He enlisted while in Western Canada and served overseas. He was wounded in the face while fighting at Ypres. After the war, he homesteaded in Saskatchewan and developed a business growing and selling wheat. He passed away in 1956.

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SMITH, Roy Sidney

WWI

Roy was born in Otter Brook in 1898, son of David Holmes and Martha (Fulton) Smith. He was a member of the 1st Canadian Motorized Machine Gun Brigade of the 106th Overseas Battalion. He saw most of his war action in France. At one time, he was gassed, left for dead, and thrown into the back of a truck picking up dead bodies. A soldier riding in the back of the truck saw his hand move and pulled him out. He married Nellie Rutherford, daughter of Frederick and Isabel (Waddell) Rutherford of Middle Stewiacke. After the war, he homesteaded in Saskatchewan and later moved to California. Roy passed away in 1967.

Submitted by the Stewiacke Valley Historical Society

SMITH, William Roderick

Rod, son of Henry Martin and Martha (Cox) Smith of Otter Brook, was born in 1896. He was recruited in 1917, joining the 1st Nova Scotia Depot Battalion. He worked as a blacksmith on his home place in Otter Brook after the war, and for a time, he was the postmaster for the community. He also ran a small canteen there. He married Ruth Faye (Perry) (Wilson) Hunter in 1966. Rod passed away in 1979.

Submitted by the Stewiacke Valley Historical Society





SOUTHAM, Frederick George

WWI

WWI

Fred was born in England in 1898. He came to Nova Scotia as a Home Child and was placed on the Lester Creelman farm in South Branch, but he left there and went to the George Dickey home in Middle Musquodoboit and enlisted underage in WWI. He arrived in England in June 1916, and again, in October 1918. He was in hospital when the Armistice was signed. In 1967, Frederick received a Centennial Medal for valuable service to his country. He passed away in 1973.

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SPARES, Owen Gardiner

WWI

WWI & WWII

Owen was born in Northfield, Hants Co., NS in 1888. During WWI, he served with the Royal Canadian Army with the 18th Battalion in London, ON. He enlisted in December 1915, serving in England, France and Belgium, until his discharge in May 1919. He re-enlisted in September 1942 serving with the Veterans. Guard of Canada in Canada and England until his discharged in January 1947. Owen passed away in 1956.

Submitted by Queens. Co. Branch #166, The Royal Canadian Legion

SPATES, Vernell

Vernell was born in Summerville, Yarmouth County, NS, in 1897. He served with the 42nd Battalion in England and France. Vermell was killed in action at Vimy Ridge in 1917.

Submitted by Carleton Consolidated Branch #167, The Royal Canadian Legion





SPENCER, John

WWI

John was born in Fortune Bay, Newfoundland in 1897. He joined the Royal Canadian Navy and served in the Mediterranean Sea. He was awarded the Victory and British War Metals, and was discharged at Nova Scotia in 1919. John served as President of Elsmsdale Branch 48, The Royal Canadian Legion in 1934. John passed away in 1983.

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SPONAGLE, Dr. John A.

WWI

WWI

John was born in Parrsboro, NS, in February 1861. After completing medical training, he set up practice in Middleton and joined the local Militia in 1887. He enlisted for World War I in November 1914 with the Canadian Army Medical Corps, rising to rank of Lieutenant Colonel. He served as Commanding Officer of Uxbridge Military Hospital in England. After the war, he commanded the Cogswell Street Military Hospital in Halifax until February 1920. John was the first President of the Great War Veterans Association, forerunner of The Royal Canadian Legion in Middleton. Dr. Sponagle passed away in February 1937.

Submitted by Middleton Branch #001, The Royal Canadian Legion

STEWART, Dr. John Murdock

John was born at Pictou, NS, in 1885, the son of James MacGregor and Julia (Creelman) Stewart. He received his education at Pictou Academy, Dalhousie University and the University of Toronto and interned at the Royal Victoria Hospital in Montreal. He went overseas in WWI with the No.1 Casualty Clearing Station, and later transferred to the Canadian Army Medical Corps No. M7 Stationary Hospital, Dalhousie Tent. By the end of the war, he had achieved rank of Major. In 1925, he became resident doctor in Upper Stewiacke (his mother's birthplace), and he remained there for ten years. In 1935, he joined the staff of Camp Hill Hospital in Halifax, and remained there until retirement. He married Martha Riggs of Charlottetown, PEI. John passed away in 1961.

Submitted by the Stewiacke Valley Historical Society





STODDARD, Ernest Ellis

WWI

Ernest was born in Clam Harbor, NS, in 1889. He served with the 7th Brigade Canadian Infantry British Columbia Regiment as Corporal, serving in England and France. Ernest was killed in action in France in 1917, and is buried in Aubigny Cemetery Extension, Pas-de-Calais, France.

Submitted by Four Harbours Branch #120, The Royal Canadian Legion

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STODDARD, John

WWI

John was born in Ship Harbour, NS. He served the Canadian Army Composite Battalion and Overseas Expeditionary Force from April 3, 1915 until 1918. He was discharged on July 10, 1919, in Halifax. John passed away in 1971.

Submitted by Four Harbours Branch #120, The Royal Canadian Legion

SUMMERSGILL, William Ernest

Ernie was born in Otley, Yorkshire, England, in 1893 and came to Nova Scotia as a British Home Child. He lived with Mattin and Agnes Fulton in Upper Stewiacke. He was recruited in 1917 and served with the 85th Battalion. He was wounded on October 8, 1918, while fighting at Amiens. After the war, he returned to the Fulton home. Ernie passed away in 1963.

Submitted by the Stewiacke Valley Historical Society





TAYLOR, Reuben Dewitt

WWI

WWI

Reuben, son of Elmira Taylor of Goshen, was born in 1893. He enlisted with the 193rd Battalion and transferred to the 85th Battalion in 1917. Reuben was wounded in 1917 at Len. After the war, he moved to the United States and at the time of his death in 1925, he was residing in Sommerville, Massachusetts.

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THOMSON, James Goodfellow

WWI

James was born in Jedburgh, Scotland on May 18, 1885. He joined the Royal Canadian Army and served with the Royal Canadian Horse Artillery I.C.A., L.D.A.C. in Canada, England, France, Belgium and Germany. He was a member of Elsmsdale Branch 48, The Royal Canadian Legion. James passed away in 1944.

Submitted by Elsmsdale Branch #048, The Royal Canadian Legion

TROWSDALE, Frank Hicks

WWI

Frank was born on August 29, 1897, in Crapaud, PEI. In October 1917, he was drafted under Military Service Act, 1917, with the 1st Depot Battalion Nova Scotia Regiment. Throughout World War I, Frank served with the 6th Detachment Canadian Garrison Regiment and was discharged on April 25, 1919 in Halifax, NS. Following discharge, he returned home to Crapaud, where he farmed the land until his untimely death on May 7, 1925 of tuberculosis.

Submitted by Colchester Branch #026, The Royal Canadian Legion





TROWSDALE, Harry Dienstead

WWI

Harry was born on July 21, 1895 in Crapaud, PEI. On May 9, 1917, he joined the 105th Battalion draft of the Canadian Overseas Expeditionary Force. Harry was shipped overseas on the SS OLYMPIA on June 1, 1917, and arrived in Liverpool on June 10, 1917. He was taken on strength with 13th Reserve Battalion Seaford on June 12, 1917, and with the 26th Battalion in the field in France on December 8, 1917. He was then attached to Headquarters 5th Canadian Infantry Brigade from September 28 to October 26, 1918. He proceeded to England on April 10, 1919 and was discharged on May 17, 1919 in Saint John, NB. Harry was a Past Commander of Flanders Post, Canadian Legion Milford, Massachusetts, USA. Harry passed away in November 1966.

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TUPPER, Oliver William

WWI & WWII

Oliver was born on February 2, 1898, in Port L'Hebert, NS. On May 14, 1917, he enlisted in the Canadian Army Medical Corp Canadian Expeditionary Force at Halifax, NS. He served with the 4th Battery, Canadian Machine Gun Corps in France. Oliver was discharged by reason of Demobilization on June 9, 1919, and was awarded the British War Medal and the Victory Medal. On September 15, 1942, Oliver enlisted in the Veteran's Guard of Canada in the Canadian Army (Active) at Truro, NS, serving in Canada and the Caribbean Area. Oliver was discharged from the service on August 18, 1945 as a Lance Corporal and was awarded the Canadian Voluntary Service Medal and the Defence Medal. On Sunday, December 24, 1989, at ninety-two years of age, Oliver passed away.

Submitted by Colchester Branch #026, The Royal Canadian Legion

UHLMAN, William "Bill"

William was born in Carleton, NS, in 1892. He enlisted with the 85th Battalion CEF serving in Canada and Europe. Bill was an overseas Veteran, twice wounded at Vimy. He was very proud of his military service. He returned to Carleton and worked as a lumberman until his death.

Submitted by Carleton Consolidated Branch #167, The Royal Canadian Legion







WALKER, Harry

WWI

Harry was born in Sydney Mines, NS, and joined the 85th Battalion Cape Breton Highlanders serving in France at Vimy Ridge and Passchendaele. Harry's brother Charlie served with the British Army during WWI, and his other brother, Bill, served with the British Navy as a submariner. During WWI, he was killed in action off the coast of England.

Submitted by the Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command, The Royal Canadian Legion

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WESSELL, Gilbert

WWI

Gilbert son of Aaron Wessell of Lunenburg County was born in 1865 and enlisted in WWI and was serving in Halifax, when on December 7, 1917 the city was devastated by the Halifax Explosion. He passed away in 1959.

Submitted by the Stewiacke Valley Historical Society

WHIDDEN, Thomas Harry

Harry, son of Thomas Campbell (Cam) and Blanche (Inglehut) Whidden of Springfield, was born in 1896, and enlisted in 1917 and served in France, Germany and Belgium. Wounded in battle, he suffered the effects of it for years. After the war, he lived on his home place at Smithfield and then moved to Murray Siding, near Truro. Harry passed away in 1968.

Submitted by the Stewiacke Valley Historical Society





YOUNG, Clayton Foster

WWI

WWI

Clayton, son of Joseph and Mittie (Foster) Young of Upper Stewiacke, was born in 1897, and joined the 85th Battalion in 1915 and spent some time in France. In 1917, he was promoted to Lance Corporal but left the unit due to sickness that same year. After the war, he went to the United States and became very successful in real estate. At the time of his death in 1985, he was living in Phoenix, Arizona.

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