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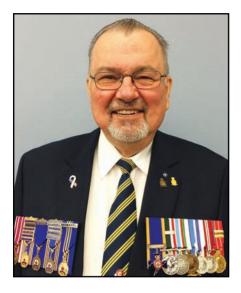
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A Message from the President





June 6, 2019 marked the 75th Anniversary of D-Day. The beginning of the end. On June 6, 1944 the world saw the beginning of the largest assault in history land on the Normandy beaches. Of the 156,000 troops to storm ashore that day, 14,000 were Canadian at Juno Beach. That day 359 Canadians were killed, 574 wounded and 47 captured. Every day we should remember those who went ashore on that historic day, some who never returned and those who did.

Next year we will celebrate 75 years since V-E Day. We Will Remember Them.

This is the 10th edition of the Manitoba and Northwestern Ontario Command, *Military Service Recognition Book.* It is intended as a tribute to all those who served or are serving. We recognize that without their sacrifice we would be unable to enjoy the freedoms that we now cherish. The stories in this book play a small part in our acknowledgement of their service.

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We liked the picture so much that we had it professionally framed and it is hanging proudly in our Command office.

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Brief History of the Belgian Veterans' Association, Branch 107



The Belgian Veterans' Association, Branch 107 originated on February 12, 1920. The Belgian Club has always been our home. The Branch was originally known as the British Empire Service League. On April 10, 1933 the name was changed to Belgian Veterans' Association with the first President Comrade Cornelius De Steene, Jules DeCruyenaere as Secretary with a membership of 10 Comrades. The membership reached 100 in 1930 with Julien Buysse as President. A Ladies Auxiliary was formed in 1926 and discontinued in 1964.

In October 1937 under the chairmanship of then President Louis Nobel a fundraising committee was formed to erect a monument known as Albert Place. This monument was erected in front of the Belgian Club by sculptor Hubert Garnier. The models depicting the two Belgian soldiers were Jules DeCruyenaere (lying down) and Julien Buysse (standing) both deceased now. The monument is the only one depicting a fallen soldier. In April 1995, the monument was officially declared historical war memorial by the City of Winnipeg.

During World War II most members rejoined the Canadian or Belgian forces. The Ladies Auxiliary provided many comfort parcels to the Comrades overseas. Upon cessation of the War, the branch was very active with the return of many servicemen. Much credit goes to Louis Speliers for the resurgence of our branch to its present membership of 145. The branch accomplishment and contribution to The Royal Canadian Legion can best be exemplified by two of our Comrades, Father Leo Baert and Louis Speliers.

The branch has also been honoured by two Comrades, Joe Beock, Paul Deprez and our present Belgian Consul Jean-Marie DeClercq. And to finish we can say that all the founding and charter members, and all the members today, and those that are gone have contributed to make The Royal Canadian Legion Branch 107 as it is today with over a hundred members and we are working to further the aims and objectives of this great organization.

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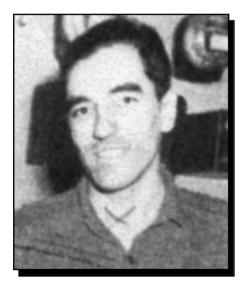
Edwin was born in Preeceville, Saskatchewan in 1922. He served in the Navy during World War II with the RCNVR, HMCS Kirkland Lake. He was a member of The Royal Canadian Legion Flin Flon Branch 73.

ADAMS, Thomas Smith "Scotty"

WWII

Scotty was born in Glasgow, Scotland on September 16, 1911. He enlisted in the Army during World War II. He served in the United Kingdom, Belgium, France, Germany and the Netherlands with the 26th Field Regiment and the Canadian Black Watch. Scotty was awarded the 1939-1945 Star, the France and Germany Star, the Defence Medal and the Canadian Volunteer Service Medal with Clasp. Scotty was a member of The Royal Canadian Legion Branches in Winnipeg and Brandon before his passing in 1979.





AIMOE, James A.

WWII

James was born in Carman, Manitoba in 1921. He served during World War II overseas and in Canada with the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry. Private James A. Aimoe received the Service Medal. James is a member of The Royal Canadian Legion Branch 73 in Flin Flon.

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ALGATE, Lorne W.

WWII

Lorne served overseas during World War II with the Royal Canadian Air Force as a Flying Officer. He was a member of The Royal Canadian Legion Flin Flon Branch 73.

ALLAN, Enid M.

WWII

Enid was born in Swan River, Manitoba in 1925. She served in the Canadian Women's Army Corps during World War II in Canada as a Sergeant. She was awarded the Canadian Volunteer Service Medal. Enid was a member of The Royal Canadian Legion Flin Flon Branch 73.



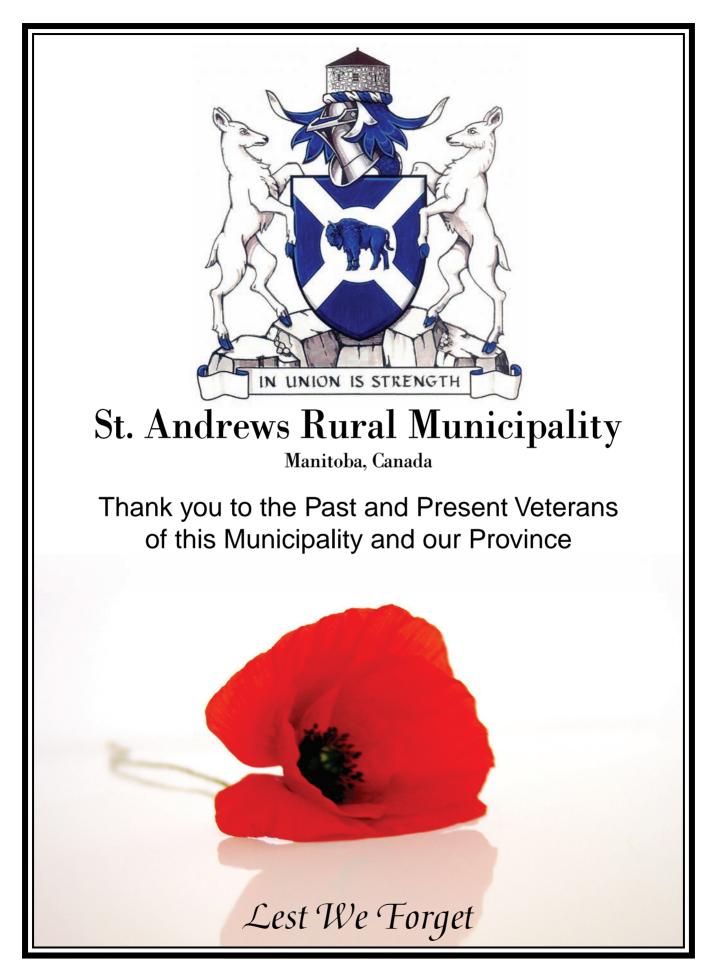


ALLEN, Gerald W.

Gerald was born in Eden, Manitoba in 1920. He enlisted in the Royal Canadian Air Force and served in Canada and the United Kingdom during World War II in Costal Communication. He was awarded the Canadian Volunteer Service Medal and the Atlantic Star. Flight Lieutenant Gerald W. Allen was killed when a DC3 crashed in Port Hardy, BC in 1957, fourteen lives were lost. He was a member of The Royal Canadian Legion Flin Flon Branch 73.

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ANDERSON, Alexander C. "Alex"

WWII

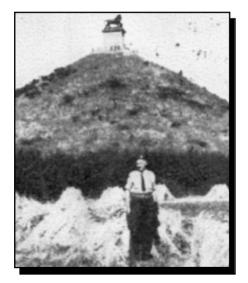
Alexander was born in Winnipeg in 1923. He enlisted in the Navy at HMCS Chippawa, Winnipeg in March 1942. He was discharged at HMCS Chippawa, Winnipeg on November 22, 1945. Alex crossed the North Atlantic twelve times. He was awarded the Canadian Volunteer Service Medal, the North Atlantic Star Medal and Overseas Bar, the 1939-1945 Star, the Maple Leaf Bar and the King George VI Medal. Alex was a Leading Seaman – Torpedo Man on Minesweepers from Prince Rupert to Homeport, St. John's, NL and from St. John's to Londonderry, Ireland protecting Merchant Ships and destroying German Submarines. Alex was a member of The Royal Canadian Legion Winnipeg Beach Branch 61 for nineteen years. He passed away in 2000.

ANDERSON, Elizabeth M. "Bessy"

WWII

Elizabeth lived in the Bagot, Manitoba area. She joined the Royal Canadian Air Force during World War II, becoming a Corporal.





ANDERSON, Miles J.

WWII

Miles was born in 1898. He enlisted in the Army with the Royal Canadian Engineers and served during World War II in Canada and Europe. Corporal Miles Anderson was awarded the Service Medal. Miles was a member of the Flin Flon Royal Canadian Legion Branch 73.

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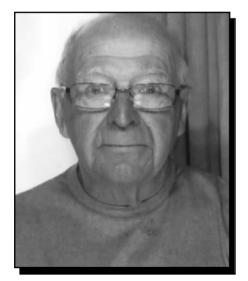
KOREA

Norman was born in Layland, Manitoba in 1934. He enlisted in the Army and served with the RCHA in Korea and with the PPCLI in Germany and Canada. Norman received the United Nations Medal, the Peacekeeping and Korean War Medals. Norman is a ten-year member of The Royal Canadian Legion Winnipeg Branch 61.



ARCHER, George H.

George was from the Bagot, Manitoba area. He joined the Army as a mechanic and tank operator serving in England, France and Belgium during World War II. In one incident, his tank was disabled and he was stranded in it for three days; he was injured at one point in the war.



ARSENAULT, Kenneth A.

WWII

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Kenneth was born in 1939 in Summerside, Prince Edward Island. He enlisted in the Air Force and served from 1956 to 1973. In 1973, he served in the Army with the 3rd Regiment Royal Canadian Horse Artillery until 1995 in Shilo. Kenneth received the Peacekeepers Medal, the Canadian Forces Decoration with two Bars and the NATO Medal. He is a 33-year member of The Royal Canadian Legion Branch 4, St. James.





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ARTHURS, George

WWI & WWII

George was born in Bath, England in 1890. He served as Sergeant in World War I with the 9th Lancers in France and re-enlisted in World War II serving with the Veterans Guard of Canada. George received the 1914 Star, the Military Medal, the Distinguished Conduct Medal and the Canadian Volunteer Service Medal. He was a member of the Flin Flon Royal Canadian Legion Branch 73. George passed away in 1964.

WWII

ASPHOLM, Reuben L.

Reuben was born on January 31, 1922 in Melville, Saskatchewan, son of Albert and Esther Aspholm. He enlisted and served overseas as Signalman with the Royal Canadian Corps of Signals during World War II. Sergeant Major R.L. Aspholm was wounded in France in 1944 and on February 13, 1945 died of his wounds. Reuben was married to Dorothy Vivian Aspholm of Elmwood, Manitoba.





ATHEY, Alex Ross

WWII

Alex served in the Air Force. Corporal Athey arrived overseas in May 1941. He served overseas in England during World War II. He spent several months in a hospital in England. Alex was discharged in Winnipeg on June 19, 1945.









ATTRIDGE, William Nelson

WWII

William, the son of Mr. Sid Attridge, served overseas with the 8th General Hospital Unit with the Royal Canadian Army Medical Corps, CAMC during World War II.

AVISON, Robert Joseph

WWII

Robert enlisted in the Navy in Saskatoon on June 1, 1942 at the age of nineteen. He served as Seaman with the RCNVR doing boom defense.

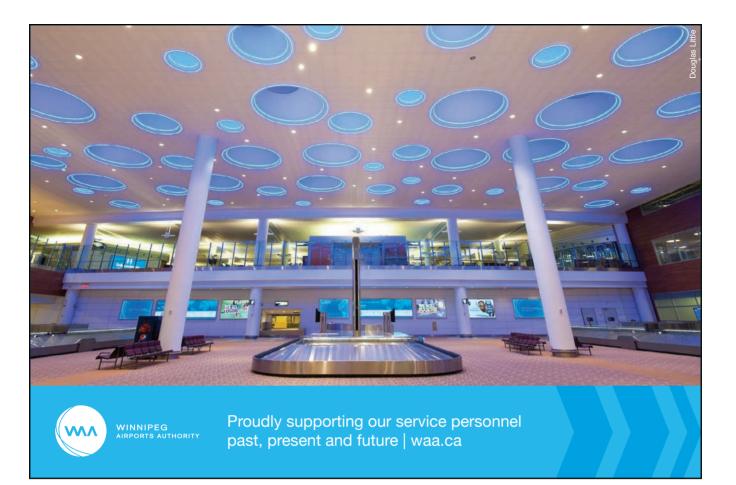




BABCZONEK, Anatol

WWII

Anatol was born in Koscinki Village, Poland in 1921, to parents Gregor and Julia Babczonek. He was deported and interned by the Russians and released on amnesty. He joined the Polish Army in the USSR on September 26, 1941, served with the 8th Army in World War II, and came under British Command on August 15, 1942. He served in the Middle East from 1942 to 1944, in Italy from 1944 to 1946 and in the United Kingdom until his discharge on November 29, 1946 for immigration to Canada. He was awarded the Polish Cross of Monte Cassino, British 1939-1945 Star, Italy Star, Defence Medal, and War Medal 1939-1945. Becoming a Canadian Citizen and Legion Member was why he always smiled when he called Canada home. He lived in Neebing, Ontario. He was a member of The Royal Canadian Legion Slovak Branch 129 in Thunder Bay, ON for twenty years. Anatol passed away on October 2, 1990.



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BAER, Robert Graham

WWII & PEACETIME

Robert was born in Milwaukee, USA on September 25, 1913. He enlisted in Winnipeg and served as a Private with the Grenadier Guards (MG) "D" Company in Jamaica and Bermuda. He also served with the 45th Battalion, Portage la Prairie and 90th Battalion Winnipeg Rifles from 1929 to 1931. Robert married Mary Rose Thacker, a Canadian skater.

WWI

BAILEY, Alfred James

Alfred was born in Redding, England on July 24, 1884. He enlisted in the Army in Vancouver, BC on August 14, 1914. He served with the 16th Battalion in Canada, the British Isles and France. He was discharged from the 11th CRT in New Westminster, BC on March 28, 1919. His final rank was Regimental Sergeant Major. His medals include the Military Medal, 1914 Star, Victory Medal and General Service Medal. Alfred passed away in March 1951 at the age of 67.





BAILEY, Hugh Charles

WWII

Hugh enlisted in the Air Force and served overseas as a Pilot Officer with the 423 Squadron during World War II.





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BAIRD, James H. "Jim"

WWII

Jim enlisted in the Air Force and served in Canada and overseas as Squad Leader and Pilot Officer during World War II. He received Official Commendation for services as Instructional Officer in flying. Jim was a Jockey along with his brother Sam.

WWII

BAIRD, Sam L.

Sam enlisted in the Navy and served overseas in aircraft carriers HMS Illustrious and HMS Liverpool. He served as Engineer-Lieutenant during World War II. He was discharged in October 1945. Sam was a former Winnipeg Jockey.





BANTING, Harvey Gordon

WWII

Harvey was born in Melville, Saskatchewan on December 13, 1914. He enlisted in the Royal Canadian Air Force in Flin Flon on November 4, 1941. He served in the United Kingdom and in India as a Sergeant during World War II. He was discharged in Winnipeg on January 10, 1945. Harvey received the Service Medal.

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BANTING, Sinclair Bradley

wwii

Sinclair enlisted in the Air Force at #10 MD in Winnipeg on December 21, 1941. He served as a bombardier and did a tour of operations (thirty trips) from Yorkshire, England. Pilot Officer Sinclair Banting was discharged on September 6, 1945 in Birch River, Manitoba.

BARBE, Maurice J.

WWII

Maurice was born in England on January 2, 1912. He enlisted in the Air Force in Winnipeg in June 1941 and served overseas as a Wireless Air Gunner. Sergeant Maurice Barbe was killed in action on January 27, 1943 leaving behind his wife Leta.

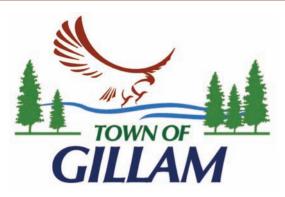




BARBER, John Raymond

WWII

John was born in Carberry, Manitoba on April 8, 1921. He enlisted in Winnipeg in October 1941 and served with the Air Force in Bomber Command in England and Canada during World War II. He was discharged on September 4, 1945 in Moncton, NB. He married Betty-Jean and he had two daughters, Allison and Mary, and one son, Boyd. John received the Canadian Volunteer Service Medal and the 1939-1945 Star.



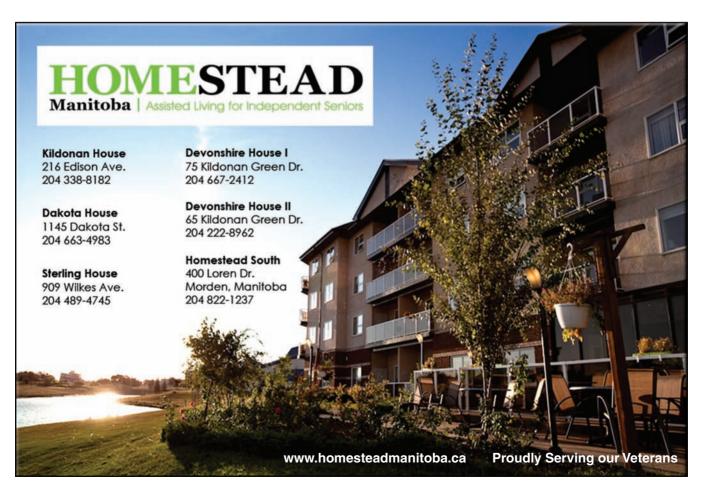


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WWI

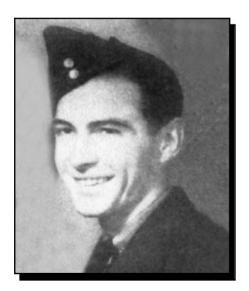
Eric was born in Fenny Stratford, Bucks, England on December 31, 1898. He enlisted in the Army in Regina in February 1915. He served as a Corporal with the 2nd Canadian Division Training Center and 28th Battalion overseas during World War I. He was discharged in Winnipeg in May 1919. Eric received the Service Medal.

BARKER, Eric P. J.

WWII

Eric enlisted in the Air Force and served overseas as well as in Canada with #13 SFTS as Leading Aircraftman.





BARKER, George Richard

WWII

George was born in The Pas, Manitoba in 1920. He enlisted in the Air Force in Winnipeg in July 1941. He served in Canada during World War II as Leading Aircraftman. He was discharged in Winnipeg in September 1945. George was awarded the Service Medal. His wife, Mary Louise, served as a Leading Aircraftwoman with the RCAF. He had a daughter named Leah Louise.



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BARKER, Russell George "Bud"

WWII

Russell enlisted in the Navy in Saskatoon in February 1943 at the age of nineteen. He served on HMCS Stadacona I and HMCS Levis during World War II as Stoker. He was discharged in November 1945.

BARNARD, Harry George

BOER WAR

Harry was born in England on November 17, 1882. He enlisted in the Army in Basingstoke on August 15, 1899. Private Harry George Barnard served in England with 3 Battalion Hants until his discharge in Winchester in August 1906. He was married to Irene Virgin. Harry passed away on February 12, 1948 in Victoria, BC.





BARTRAM, John H.

WWII

John was born in Angusville, Manitoba in 1919. He enlisted in the Army during World War II. He served in the Canadian Infantry Corps in Canada from 1941 to 1946. He was a 68-year member of The Royal Canadian Legion Branch 55 Birtle, MB. John passed away in 2016.



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BASCHUK, Stephen R.

AFGHANISTAN

Stephen was born in 1981 in Winnipeg, Manitoba. He joined the Army in 2001 and was stationed in Edmonton for his training. He went twice to Afghanistan for six months. He quit the Army in 2008. He is the son of Ron Baschuk, both are members of The Royal Canadian Legion Flin Flon Branch 73. Stephen lives in Flin Flon, works for Hudson Bay and married Paige McBratney.

BEAUREGARD, Alain Y.

PEACETIME

Alain was born in 1947 in Asbestos, Quebec. He enlisted in the Air Force and did basic training in CFB St-Jean, QC. He received Safety Systems Tech trades training at CFB Borden, ON. His postings included 407 Squadron CFB Comox, BC; CFB Gimli, MB; CFB Bagotville, QC; CFB Winnipeg, MB; Trade Instructor CFB Borden; CFB Portage la Prairie, MB and Defence and Civil Institute of Environmental Medicine (DCIEM) Research Centre in Toronto, ON. Alain was awarded the Canadian Forces' Decoration with Clasp and the Queen's Silver Jubilee Medal. He is a five-year member of The Royal Canadian Legion Winnipeg Beach Branch 61.





BEAUREGARD (TOMKO), Teresa G.

PEACETIME

Teresa was born in Gimli, Manitoba in 1951. She enlisted in the Air Force and received basic training in CFB Cornwallis, NS and admin trade training in CFB Borden, ON. Her postings included Training Command HQ CFB Winnipeg, MB, Air Command HQ CFB Winnipeg, CFSAL CFB Borden, Finance Coy CFB Borden and CFSAOE CFB Borden. Teresa is a five-year member of The Royal Canadian Legion Winnipeg Beach Branch 61.



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BELL, T. Gordon

WWII

Gordon was born on October 21, 1912 in Desford, Manitoba. After receiving his schooling he moved to Killarney where he worked until joining the RCAF in August 1942.

His training started in Brandon, MB then on to Bombing and Gunnery in Paulson, MB and later Mont-Joli, QC where he received his Air Gunner Wings. In August 1943, he was posted to Pennfield Ridge, NB where he joined a crew of four flying a Ventura aircraft. Later he was posted to Halifax, NS and then on to England in November 1943.

In March 1944, the crew was converted to a B-25 Mitchell aircraft. After their Operational Training Unit they were posted to Dunsford, England doing daylight tactical bombing.

On September 9, 1944 their aircraft was hit by flak over France. All of the crewmembers but one was able to bail out. Gordon injured his leg and

broke his ankle. He was missing for eleven days. He spent the next five months in the hospital in England.

He returned to Canada in February 1945 and received his discharge in May 1945. He returned to Killarney and received the 1939-1945 Star, the France and Germany Star, the 1939-1945 Defence Medal, the Canadian Volunteer Service Medal and the 1939-1945 War Medal.

Gordon married Helen Smith in April 1949 and they lived in Killarney with their three children. He was a member of The Royal Canadian Legion Killarney Branch 25 until he passed away in 1972.

BLACK, Guilford N.

WWII

Guilford was born in 1918 in Ottumwa, Iowa, USA to Roy and Flora Mae Black. He enlisted in the Army and trained in Hondo, Texas and Billings, Montana.

He was a pilot then a navigator. He flew many missions over Germany with 551 Bomber Squadron, 385 Bomber Group, Heavey. 2nd Lieutenant Guilford N. Black was killed on September 26, 1943 in England.

He was buried at the Cambridge American Cemetery and Memorial, Coton, South Cambridgeshire, Cambridgeshire, England.

A memorial grave is located at Hillside Cemetery, Portage la Prairie, Manitoba. His brother Lt. GN Black received the American medals: Air Medal with 2 Oak Leaf Clusters and a Purple Heart. He is named on the US WWII Roll of Honor.



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BOUCHARD, Albert R.

wwii

Albert was born in McCreary, Manitoba in 1903. He enlisted in the Army and served in the RCOC as a Gunner in Canada during World War II. He received the Canadian Volunteer Service Medal. Albert passed away in 1976.

BRACKEN, Robert Evans "Bob"

WWII

Bob was born on March 12, 1923 in Toronto, Ontario. He was a machinist at an auto plant prior to the war.

Bob joined the Canadian Navy in Toronto in 1941. He was then sent to Halifax for training in October 1941. Bob was an Ordnance Artificer 5th Class, working with small arms, large guns as well as torpedoes, all aspects of weaponry.

At 21 Bob was promoted to Acting Petty Officer. He was assigned to his first ship in the spring of 1942 on the HMCS Annapolis 104. The ship was part of a mid-ocean convoy that met the Royal Navy halfway from England. Bob witnessed damage to ships hit by U-boat torpedoes.

He later worked in Saint John, New Brunswick for eighteen months, refitting merchant ships with protective guns, DEMS (defensive equipment merchant ships). He worked there until September 1944 on refits and gun trials on the merchant ships.



Bob was then sent to Esquimalt, BC to work on British LST's (landing ship tank) with the rank of Ordnance Artificer 3rd Class, helping train allies to fire their guns. He was in Vancouver ready to go to Japan when the war ended.

Bob returned to Winnipeg on a train with Canadian soldiers just released from Prisoner of War camps in Japan. He was discharged in November 1945, re-joining the Navy in 1946 until 1959.

Bob then served with the combined Armed Forces until 1973. He lived the last several years in Portage la Prairie, Manitoba.

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BRIDGE, Jack K.

WWII

Jack was born in York, Ontario in 1925. He enlisted at HMCS York and was sent to HMCS Montcalm for basic training. He then had A/B training at HMCS Cornwallis and at HMCS Stadacona took torpedo courses. He joined HMCS Niagara River Class Destroyer as LTO Atlantic Service Niagara decommissioned at the end of the Battle of the Atlantic. He joined HMCS Jonquiere Frigate until the end of the war. He volunteered for Pacific and he toured the PEI Gaspe Bay Region in Jonquiere. They decommissioned her at Shelmerdine, NS. Jack was demobilized at HMCS York, supported by DVA hearing loss (Veterans Independence Program). He is a member of The Royal Canadian Legion St. James Branch 4.

BRIDGEMAN, Ernest

WWI

Ernest was born in Orillia, Ontario in 1892. He eventually moved to Manitoba where he worked on a farm in the Bagot area. He joined the Army in April 1915 in Portage la Prairie, Manitoba. Ernest served with the 44th Battalion as a Corporal. He was sent to England, then France in May 1916 when he was transferred to the 4th Division Signals. After the war, he returned to Canada in June 1919 on the HMTS Mauretania. Ernest passed away in 1957.



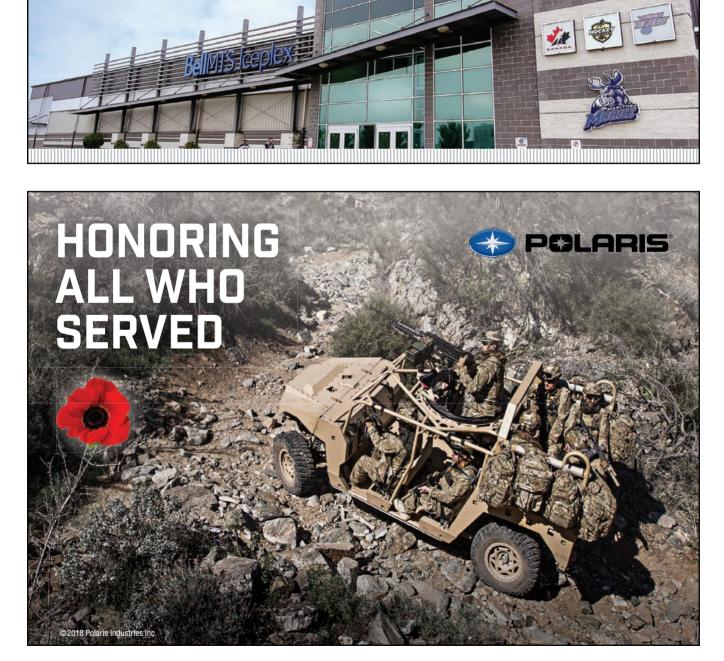


BRIDGES, William A.

WWI

William was born in Haddington, Scotland in 1880. He was a farm labourer in the Bagot, Manitoba area. William enlisted in the Army in November 1915 becoming a Lance Corporal with the 144th Battalion, Winnipeg Rifles, training at Camp Hughes in Manitoba. He had the mumps, bronchitis and tonsillitis before being sent overseas. William left Halifax for Liverpool in September 1916 on the SS Olympic. He was transferred to the 44th Battalion in April 1917 and sent to France. William was captured in August 1917 and sent to a Prisoner of War camp at Lindberg, Germany, and then was moved to Dülmen, Germany in October 1917. He was released in November 1918 and returned to Canada in April 1919. William passed away on August 30, 1936 in the RM of Portage la Prairie.

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BRISCOE, William Andrew

WWI

William was born in Renfrew, Ontario in July 1896. He worked as a clerk in the Bagot, Manitoba area. William joined the Army in April 1917 in Winnipeg. He had the mumps while training in Canada. William left Halifax in June 1917 for Liverpool on the SS Justicia. He served in England, Belgium and France with the 43rd Battalion, Canadian Army Medical Corps. William arrived in Canada after the war on November 29, 1918 on the RMS Aquitania and was discharged in January 1919.

BROWN, Clifford R.

Clifford was born in Campbellford, Ontario in 1924. He worked on the family farm until he enlisted in 1942 with the 2nd Midland Regiment (R). In August 1943 he joined the Canadian Armoured Corps. He saw action in France and Germany, where he was wounded. He received the France and Germany Star, the Canadian Volunteer Service Medal and Clasp and the 1939-1945 War Medal. Clifford stayed active after the war and joined the Lake Superior Scottish Regiment (R) serving from 1950 to 1956. In 1956 he joined The Royal Canadian Atikokan Legion Branch 145 and served as Sergeant-at-Arms for 28 years and one year as President. He worked for Ontario Hydro as a Lineman for many years until he moved to Atikokan where he was a general contractor. Clifford passed away in 1998.





BUFFINGTON, Lorenzo Packard

WWII

WWI

Lorenzo was born in Lanark, Illinois in 1897. He joined the Canadian Army on May 21, 1917 and served overseas in both France and Belgium. He was gassed multiple times, the first time was on December 28, 1917. He spent two years and one month with the Medical Corps, Machine Gun Battalion and then was transferred to the Royal Air Force as a cadet. Lorenzo also suffered from shell shock and received the Wound Stripe. He was medically discharged on April 4, 1919 to Winnipeg General Hospital having served with the 43rd Battalion and the 11th Reserve Battalion. Lorenzo passed away on February 12, 1956 at Deer Lodge Hospital in Winnipeg and is buried in the Veterans Cemetery in Fort Frances. He was a 29-year member of The Royal Canadian Legion Fort Frances Branch 29.

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BUNDY, Arthur Cecil

WWI

Arthur was born in Alderbury, England in 1893. He was a farm labourer in the Bagot, Manitoba area. Arthur joined the Army in November 1915 in Brandon, Manitoba. He was a Private with the 1st Canadian Mounted Rifles, 79th Battalion. He sailed from Canada on the SS Lapland in April 1916 serving in England and France. Arthur was killed in action in France on September 15, 1916 at the Battle of the Somme and is buried at the Serre Road Cemetery #1 at Pas-de-Calais, France.

WWI

BYLES, James Harvey Guy

James was born in Southsea, England in 1884. He worked on a farm in Bagot, Manitoba and joined the Army in November 1916. James was a Corporal with the 200th Battalion, sailing from Halifax in April 1917 on the HMT Megantic. He served in England and France. He was in action in France with the 27th Battalion in July 1917. He encountered mustard gas in August 1917 as well as suffered ear drum damage, a concussion and shrapnel wounds to the face. He was awarded the Military Medal and the Good Conduct Badge. James arrived home after the war at Halifax in May 1919 on the HMT Northland and was discharged on May 26, 1919.





CAMPBELL, Arnold William

WWII

Arnold was born in Homewood, Manitoba in 1920. In October 1942 he enlisted in the Canadian Army, the Loyal Edmonton Infantry Regiment. After a brief training, he served in World War II in the United Kingdom, Central Mediterranean area and Continental Europe. He returned to Manitoba on the SS Queen Mary in November 1945. He received the Canadian Volunteer Service Medal, the 1939-1945 Star, the Italy Star and the France and Germany Star. He was an active member of The Royal Canadian Legion Carman Branch 18 for approximately twenty years, some of which he served as President. Arnold passed away in 1990 leaving his spouse, Lila, and daughter, Eleanor, and her family.



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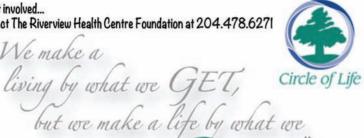
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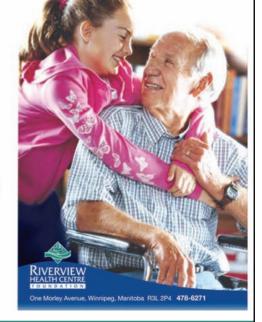
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CAMPBELL, Robert G.

WWII

Robert was born in Brandon, Manitoba in 1923. He enlisted in the Army with the Royal Canadian Horse Artillery First Division, First Field Regiment. He served in Canada, England, Italy, France and Holland during World War II. He received the Canadian Volunteer Service Medal and Clasp, the 1939-1945 Star, the Italy Star, the France and Germany Star and the War Medal 1939-1945. Robert married and had two children. He worked until retirement with the Manitoba Vehicle Branch. Robert passed away in 2008; he was a nineteen-year member of The Royal Canadian Legion St. James Branch 4.

WWII

CARROLL, George Alvin

George was born in 1921 and was raised on the family farm in Bagot, Manitoba. He joined the Navy in 1938 eventually becoming a Radio Direction Finder and radar expert. While serving on the HMCS Iroquois in 1944, George received the Distinguished Service Medal for his skill in successful attacks on enemy ships off the French coast. He continued in the Navy after the war, becoming Commissioned Officer. In 1958 George was in charge of planning a training facility for Radar Plotters at HMCS Stadacona in Halifax. The facility opened in 1962 and a plaque is placed there in his honour. George passed away in 1963. In 1985 the main building of the Maritime Command Training Centre in Halifax was renamed the Carroll Building. He was promoted to full Commander posthumously.





CARROLL, Russell Thomas

WWII

Russell was born in 1919 in Stockton, Manitoba and lived on a farm in Bagot, Manitoba. He joined the Army in Winnipeg becoming a Sergeant with the 1st Canadian Motor Ambulance Convoy, 1st Division. Russell served in the United Kingdom, Sicily, Italy, France, Holland and Germany. After the war, he served with the Military Government in Germany with the Canadian Occupation Force. He was discharged in 1946 and rejoined the military in 1953 serving until 1969. Russell passed away in June 2002. Proudly supporting the men and women of our armed forces past, present, and future.

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CHESTER, James Russell

WWI

James was born in Baldur, Manitoba in 1894 and farmed in the Bagot, Manitoba area. He joined the Army in November 1915 in Winnipeg. Russell sailed from Halifax on the SS Olympic in April 1916, serving in England, France and Belgium as a Corporal with the 44th Battalion. He was sent to France in August 1916 where he suffered a gunshot wound in February 1917 at Vimy Ridge, also picking up influenza and trench fever. James was awarded the Military Medal for Bravery in the Field. He returned home after the war to St. John's on the SS Melita in December 1918. He was discharged on January 22, 1919. James passed away in 1925.

WWII

CHRISTENSEN, Arthur E.

Arthur was born in Winnipeg, Manitoba in 1916. He enlisted in the Army during World War II with the 13th Winnipeg Field Battery. Arthur served in England and received the Territorial Service Medal. Arthur passed away in 2018 and was a 76-year member of The Royal Canadian Legion Branch 30 West Kildonan.





CLARKE, Fred

WWII

Fred was born in England. He enlisted in the Army on November 15, 1940 in Winnipeg serving as a Private with the Royal Canadian Engineers. Fred served in Canada, the United Kingdom and Northwest Europe. He was discharged on December 13, 1945.



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CONAN, Joseph

WWI

Joseph was born in Colpo, France on May 2, 1884. He served in the Army with the 116th Battalion, French Regiment in France. He was killed in action on June 30, 1915.

WWI

CONAN, Louis

Louis was born on March 17, 1895 in Colpo Morbichan, France. He came to Canada in 1912, at the age of 17, when he joined his brother Joseph who was already in Fisher Branch. Early in 1915 he was called up for military training with the French army and later joined the 35th Heavy Artillery Regiment in Vannes, France. On September 20, 1915 he fell sick with dysentery and was hospitalized until December 18, 1915. In 1916, he was sent to Italy with the 111th Heavy Artillery Regiment. He was in Germany and Austria from December 28, 1917 to April 30, 1918. Louis was discharged in Lorient, France and on August 28, 1919 he received a Good Conduct Certificate. He came back to farm in Fisher Branch shortly after his return to Canada. For many years Louis was a Life Member of The Royal Canadian Legion Branch 158, Hodgson. Louis Conan passed away on June 5, 1982, at the age of 87 years.





COUBROUGH, Malcolm

WWI

Malcolm was born in Glasgow, Scotland in 1889 and farmed in the Bagot, Manitoba area. He joined the Army in November 1916 in Winnipeg and trained at Camp Hughes and Winnipeg. Malcolm qualified as a Wire Entanglement Farmer, sailing to England in May 1917 on the SS Olympic. He was sent to France in August 1917, serving as a Private with the 1st Battalion, Canadian Machine Gun Corps. He served in the 174th Battalion, the 16th Battalion and the 1st CMGC in France during World War I. After the war he sailed home in May 1919 from Liverpool, England. Malcolm passed away in 1990 and is buried at Hillside Cemetery.



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COUSINS, James Henry

WWII & KOREA

James worked on the family farm in the Bagot, Manitoba area when he joined the Army. He did some training in Petawawa, Ontario and was in the artillery with the Canadian 1st Division serving in England, Sicily, Italy, France and Holland. James enlisted with the infantry in the Korean War saying it was "hell on earth".

COUSINS, Sidney John

WWII

Sidney was born on March 11, 1920 and worked on the family farm in the Bagot, Manitoba area. He joined the Army on January 20, 1940 in Winnipeg becoming part of the Royal Canadian Infantry Corps, Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry (A Company), serving in England and Sicily. At Leonforte, Sicily while under attack, Sidney picked up a bren gun and proceeded to, single handed, take out two, five-men enemy machinegun positions. His actions caused the enemy line to collapse. Sidney was killed later that evening on July 22, 1943 when a shell landed on his position. He was recommended for a Distinguished Conduct Medal and Military Medal, but these could only be to a living person, Sidney was "Mentioned in Dispatches". His story was mentioned on the TV program 'For King and Country'. Sidney is buried at the Agira Canadian War Cemetery in Sicily. Cousins Lake in northern Manitoba is named in his honour.

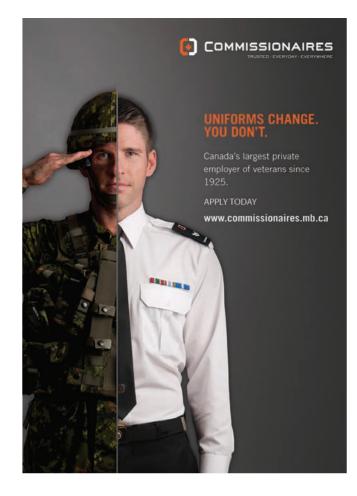




COUSINS, William A.

WWII

William was working on the family farm in the Bagot area when he joined the Army. He drove a truck in the Armoured Corps while serving in England, France and Belgium. He landed in France on D-Day. William passed away in 1980.





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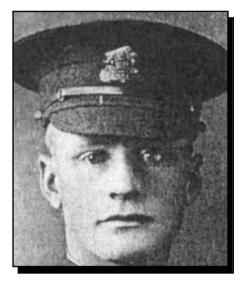
PEACETIME

Robin was born in St. Albans, England in 1933. He enlisted in the Royal Navy and served for ten years. Then he transferred to the Royal Canadian Navy for an additional twenty years. He served on NATO Duty on the North Atlantic, on Canadian Coastal Patrol and the Cuban Blockade. Following his retirement, he joined the Canadian Naval Reserves attached to HMCS Chippawa, Winnipeg. Robin is a 28-year member of The Royal Canadian Legion Branch 18 in Carman, MB.

WWI

COX-SMITH, Walter Evan

Walter, the son of Hugh and Christina, was born in High Bluff, Manitoba in 1894. He enlisted in the Army on March 30, 1916 in Winnipeg. He arrived in England on November 23, 1916 and was taken on strength in the 27th Overseas Battalion and by December 5, 1916 he was in the field in France. He was reported missing on May 29, 1917, after action on May 3, 1917. He was unofficially declared a Prisoner of War on June 1, 1917. On June 19, 1917, he reportedly died of his wounds whilst at Bad Langensalza POW Camp, Thuringia, Germany. He was initially buried at the POW Cemetery No. 1 Prussian Saxony however due to amalgamation, his body was moved to Plot 9, Row C, Grave 15 at Niederzwehren British Military Cemetery near Kassel, Germany. Private Walter Cox-Smith's mother was awarded the Plaque, Scroll and the Memorial Cross.





CREALOCK, Lawrence Edgar

WWII

Lawrence was born in 1916 and farmed in the Bagot, Manitoba area. He joined the Royal Canadian Air Force in September 1941. He was stationed in Defoe, Saskatchewan for about one year and was sent overseas in the spring of 1943, serving until the end of the war. Lawrence passed away in the early part of 1970.



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CREALOCK, William Barry "Bill"

WWI & WWII

Bill was born on the farm in Burnside, Manitoba in 1897 and farmed in the Bagot, Manitoba area.

He enlisted on January 6, 1916 in Portage la Prairie, Manitoba. Bill started with the 10th Cavalry Mounted Rifles and arrived in England on the SS Olympic in May 1916.

He was sent to France in October 1916, serving at the battle of the Somme, Vimy Ridge and Passchendaele. Bill became a candidate for the Royal Flying Corps in January 1918 and became a Flight Cadet by June 1918 flying with a Sopwith Camel. He trained as an Air Traffic Controller in England near the end of the war, returning home by 1919.

Bill's name is on the wall at the Western Canada Aviation Museum in Winnipeg as an Aviation Pioneer. He joined the Air Force in 1942 retraining as an Air Traffic Controller in Montreal.

Bill was posted to Watson Lake, Yukon for sixteen months as well as Fort William, Ontario and MacDonald, Manitoba. He was discharged in 1945. Bill passed away in Portage la Prairie on January 19, 1995. He was a Life Member of The Royal Canadian Legion Portage Branch 65.

CREW, William A.C. "Bill" WWII, KOREA, SPECIAL DUTY AREA & PEACETIME

Bill was born in Hamilton, Ontario in 1924. Shortly after turning seventeen he enlisted in the Air Force and served with the 443 Squadron as an armourer.

After completing high school and trying civilian life, he joined the army and completed officer training just in time to join the Queen's Own Rifles in Korea.

Shortly after his return from there he married Mary Joan White of Ottawa, with whom he would have four children, Tom, Laurie, Shaun and Brett.

In 1957, he went to Egypt and was one of Canada's original one hundred peacekeepers, implementing the new concept of PM Lester Pearson.



Upon his return and additional training he was stationed with the 2nd

Battalion in Calgary. He was transferred to the 1st Battalion in Victoria and went with them to Cypress in 1964 as a company commander.

After this tour he ended up in Winnipeg, working with the militia. In 1967 to 1968 he served in Vietnam with the UN. He finished his military career back in Winnipeg.

After retiring he joined the Charleswood Royal Canadian Legion where he served for many years as Sergeant-at-Arms and on the Ways and Means Committee. Just before his death in 2003, he was awarded the Queen's Jubilee Medal for community service.





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CROY (WARD), Helen L.

WWII

Helen was born in Toronto, Ontario in August 1920 and moved with her family to Stonewall, Manitoba in 1925. She became a teacher after high school. In 1944, she enlisted in the WRCN (Women's Royal Canadian Naval Service). After basic training at HMCS Conestoga in Galt, Ontario she was transferred to HMCS Stadacona in Halifax where she worked as a confidential book corrector. After discharge in 1945 she returned to the Stonewall area and in 1946 she married Tom Croy, her husband of 66 years. Helen joined the Stonewall Royal Canadian Legion Branch 52 in 1946 and was actively involved for many years as well as being Secretary from 1987 to 1990. Helen received a Life Membership in 1990.

WWII

DAVIDSON, William Cameron

Cameron, son of William Lewis Davidson and Lucy Mary Metcalf, was born in High Bluff, Manitoba on March 28, 1917. He enlisted in the RCAF in February 1941 at #2 Manning Depot in Brandon, Manitoba and trained in Regina, Portage la Prairie and Rivers. Early in 1943 Cameron went to North Africa with the Squadrons which were preparing the way for the Sicilian Invasion. He was navigation leader of his squadron. Cameron was reported missing on July 13, 1943. His last flight was over Messina, Italy. Cameron has no known grave and his name is inscribed on the Malta War Memorial in Malta, an island in the Mediterranean. The Davidson Peninsula in Northern Manitoba is named in honour of Flying Officer Navigator William Cameron Davidson.





DeSCHATTER, Joseph

WWI

Joseph was born in Belgium in April 1883. He enlisted in the Belgium Rescue. He was mustard gassed but came home. He spent some time in the McKellar Hospital in Fort William. Joseph passed away on March 23, 1957.



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ELLIOTT, Thomas John

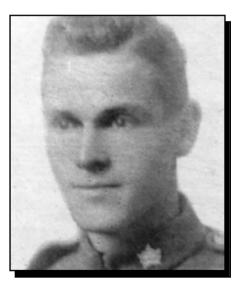
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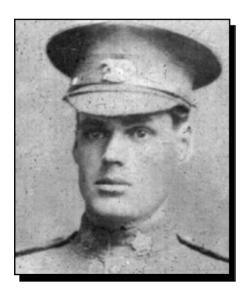
Thomas was born in Portage la Prairie, Manitoba in 1887 and resided in the Bagot, Manitoba area. He enlisted in May 1916 in Winnipeg, training with the Canadian Army Medical Corps. He sailed from Halifax for England on the SS Laconia in 1916. Thomas served in a Canadian Military Hospital in England and the continent as well as serving in France in July 1918 with the Canadian Army Surgical Corps, 7th Field. He suffered a dislocated shoulder and had tonsillitis while in the Army. Thomas was awarded the Good Conduct Badge. He sailed from Liverpool to Canada on the RMS Carmania in May 1919 and was discharged in June 1919. He married Clara May Byers of Portage la Prairie in Prescott, Ontario on June 20, 1919.

EVERETT, Albert

WWI

Albert was born in Gravesend, England in 1888 and farmed in Bagot, Manitoba. He enlisted in May 1918 in Winnipeg and served as a Private with the 10th and 6th Battalion Canadian Garrison Regiment. He was discharged on February 26, 1919. Albert passed away on January 24, 1960 and is buried in Brookside Cemetery in Winnipeg, Manitoba.





EVERETT, Ernest

WWI

Ernest was born in Gravesend, England in 1898 and worked on a farm in Bagot, Manitoba. He enlisted in March 1916 in Winnipeg sailing from Halifax in September 1916 for England on the SS Olympic. Ernest was a Private with the 107th Battalion, Canadian Mounted Rifles. He was sent to the continent in October 1916 and was in France by December 1916 where he was awarded the Good Conduct Badge. After the war, Ernest sailed for Canada from Southampton, England in March 1919 on the SS Olympic. He was discharged on March 31, 1919. Ernest passed away in 1971.







FALLOON, John E. "Jack"

WWI & WWII

John was born in Crewe, Manitoba in 1893. He served as a Machine Gunner with the Winnipeg 27th Battalion, 13th Platoon in France at the battles of Vimy Ridge, Passchendaele and Cambrai. He was wounded twice and hospitalized after a gas attack. At wars end he was with a peacekeeping group at Dusseldorf. John joined the Veterans Guard – stationed at Red Rock, Ontario guarding German prisoners then transferred to the RCAF, the Motor Transport Department in Saskatoon. John passed away in 1977 and was a Life Member of The Royal Canadian Legions, being a member of Fox Warren Branch 152 and Fort Qu'Appelle Branch 35.

FARNCOMBE, Alfred Roy

WWI

Alfred was born in Portage la Prairie, Manitoba in 1893 and was a merchant in Bagot, Manitoba. He enlisted in June 1918 in Winnipeg and was a Private with the 18th Reserve Battalion. He sailed from Canada in August 1918 and served in England. After the war he sailed to Halifax on the HMT Aquitania and was discharged on June 24, 1919. Alfred passed away in 1969 and is buried at the Hillside Cemetery at Portage la Prairie, Manitoba.

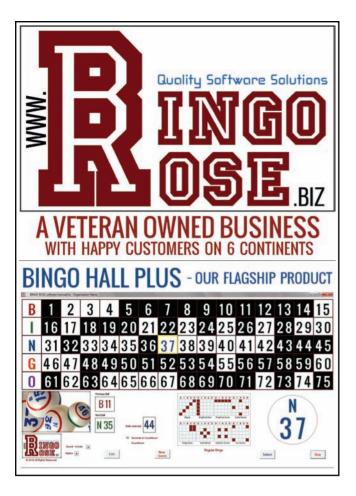




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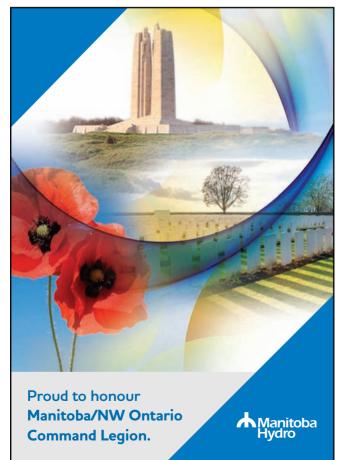
WWI

Archie was born in 1895 and worked as a clerk in Bagot, Manitoba. He had two years of service with the 18th Mounted Rifles before the war. Archie enlisted in December 1915 in Portage la Prairie, Manitoba, as a Private with the 43rd Battalion, Cameron Highlanders. He sailed from Halifax in December 1916 on the SS Olympic. Archie served in England, Belgium and was sent to France in May 1917. He had the measles while training in Canada and was wounded by shrapnel in France as well as having trench foot. Archie was awarded the Good Conduct Badge. After the war he sailed home on the HMHS Araguaya and was discharged on May 31, 1919. Archie passed away in 1988 and is buried at the Hillside Cemetery at Portage la Prairie, Manitoba.





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FARNCOMBE, Walter Norris

WWI

Walter was born in 1898 and farmed at Bagot, Manitoba. He served with the reserve militia before war, joining the Army in June 1917 in Portage la Prairie, Manitoba with the 99th Manitoba Rangers. Walter sailed from Halifax for Liverpool in November 1917 in the SS Megantic. He was a Private with the 43rd Battalion serving in England and was sent to France in March 1918. Walter was wounded by machine gun bullet to the arm and chest and later had a head injury at Amiens, France. After the war he sailed home on the HMHS Araguaya and was discharged on October 7, 1919. Walter passed away in 1945 and he is buried at Hillside Cemetery in Portage la Prairie, Manitoba.

FENTON, Fred I. N.

WWI & WWII

Fred was born on January 15, 1900 in Toronto, Ontario. He served in World War I with the 101st Battalion and the 25th Battalion in Canada, England and France. He received the British War and Victory Medal. Fred also served during World War II in England with the 3rd Art. H.U. He was killed in a motor vehicle accident in England in October 1941.





FERRIS, Clement Allen "Clem"

WWII

Clem was born on the family farm in MacDonald, Manitoba on October 18, 1910. He enlisted in the Royal Canadian Air Force on September 10, 1942 during World War II. He was a Leading Aircraftman and was stationed in Calgary and Vancouver. He was discharged on January 24, 1946. He worked as an electrician and was an excellent and renowned violinist. Clem passed away on November 18, 2003 in Calgary at the age of 93.



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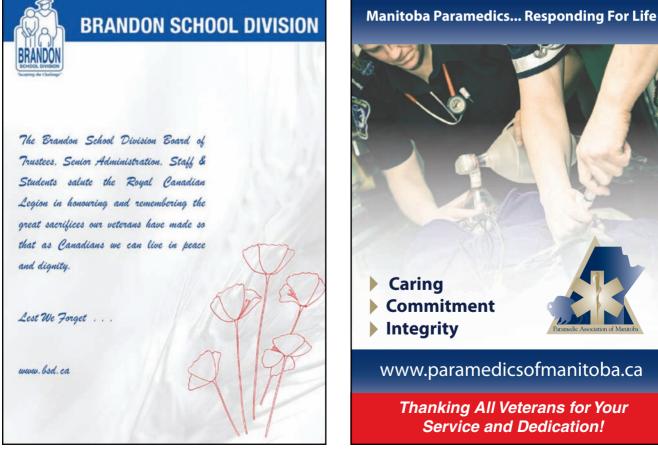


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FERRIS, Donavon "Don"

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Don was born on June 26, 1924 and was raised on the family farm in MacDonald, Manitoba. He enlisted in the Royal Canadian Air Force in 1943 and was discharged in 1945. Don farmed just north of Portage la Prairie after the war until 1953 when he was stricken with polio. Don passed away on June 16, 1962 in Winnipeg.

WWII

FORREST, Frank L.

Frank was born in 1905. He lived on a farm in the Bagot, Manitoba area. He enlisted in the Army in 1943 and was sent to England. Frank served with the Medical Corps, also graduating from a motor mechanics school in London. He suffered a broken leg during a training exercise in Ipperwash, England. Frank was discharged in 1946. He passed away on April 5, 1999 at the age of 94. He was a Life Member of The Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 468 in Hensall, Ontario.

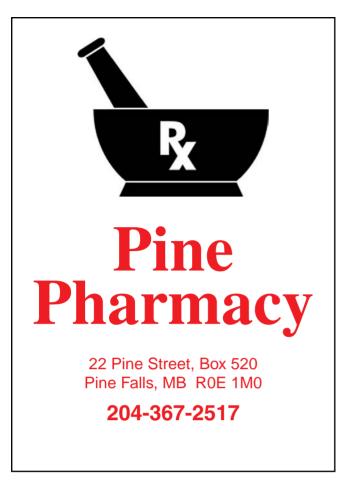




FORREST, Melvin George

WWII

Melvin was born in 1910 and lived on a farm in the Bagot, Manitoba area. He enlisted in the Army and after basic training was sent to England. George served with the Forestry Division in Scotland, also serving with the Royal Canadian Army Medical Corps. Melvin passed away on December 28, 1997 at the age of 87. He was a member of The Royal Canadian Legion, Virden Branch 8.





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FOSTER, Harry

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Harry was born 1892 in Aldbury, England and farmed in Bagot, Manitoba. He joined the Army in March 1916 in Winnipeg. Harry was a Private with the 78th Battalion sailing from Halifax in May 1916 on the SS Empress of Britain. He served in England, France and Belgium being sent to France in August 1916. Harry suffered a gunshot wound to his hand, having his finger amputated as well as a cheek, chest and head injury at Ypres, Belgium. He sailed home on the SS Grampian in October 1917 from Liverpool, England. Harry passed away in 1958 and is buried at Sparling Cemetery, south of Justice, Manitoba.

WWII

GORESKY, Nicholas "Nick"

Nick was born on October 11, 1918 in the Rural Municipality of Rockwood (Stonewall, Manitoba) the son of Basil and Victoria Goresky, who were immigrants from Ukraine. He joined the Fort Garry Horse during World War II in 1940 and then transferred to the Lord Strathcona Horse in July 1942. He went overseas in 1943 to England, North Africa, Italy, Germany, France, Belgium and Holland. He was discharged in January 1946. For his service, he was awarded the 1939-1945 Star, Italy Star, France and Germany Star, Defence Medal and the Canadian Volunteer Service Medal. Nick came back to Stonewall where he dairy farmed. He married Sheila Thomsen in 1947 and had five children: Judy, Phillip (deceased), Gordon, Gary and Bonnie. He was a Life Member of The Royal Canadian Legion Stonewall Branch 52. Nick passed away in February 1993 and Sheila in 2009.





GOURLEY, David

WWII

David was born on April 20, 1922 and worked on the family farm in the Bagot, Manitoba area. He joined the Army on November 11, 1942 in Winnipeg, training in Winnipeg at Fort Osborne and Fort Garry. David was transferred to Chilliwack, BC to train with the Royal Canadian Engineers in January 1943. He was sent overseas in July 1943 and attached to Headquarters Company, 3rd Battalion. David served in England, France, Belgium, Holland and Germany being discharged on February 16, 1946.



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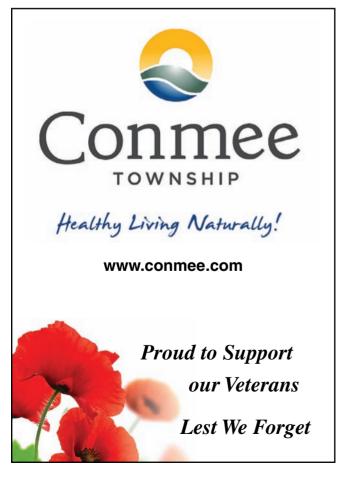


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GOURLEY, Margaret Jane

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Margaret was born on September 6, 1912 and lived in the Bagot, Manitoba area. She joined the Royal Canadian Air Force doing basic training in Winnipeg. She served as a clerk, being stationed in Calgary and Claresholm, Alberta.

GREGOR, Joseph James

WWII

Joseph was born in Fort William, Ontario on August 16, 1920. He enlisted in the Army with the Royal Winnipeg Rifles during World War II and served in Canada, the United Kingdom, Continental Europe and the North Pacific Area. Sergeant Joseph James Gregor was awarded the France and Germany Star and the Canadian Volunteer Service Medal with Clasp. He passed away on February 18, 1987.





GRYWINSKI, Steve

Steve joined the Light Ack Ack in 1942 and took his basic training at Portage la Prairie. He transferred into Heavy Ack Ack and moved to Prince Rupert, British Columbia. He later transferred to the Royal Canadian Corps of Signals. He received his discharge in March 1946 as Corporal. After service, he lived in Winnipeg and belonged to The Royal Canadian Legion Branch 1.

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GUIMOND, Rosario

WWII

Rosario enlisted in Winnipeg Light Infantry in May 1942. He did basic training in Fort Osborne Barracks, Winnipeg for one month then was sent to Vernon, BC for advance training. On August 19, they got word of the Dieppe Raid and the 2nd Division needed many reinforcements, so Rosario was one of the many Winnipeg Light Regiment sent to England as reinforcement to the Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders of Canada on the Athlone Castle French Luxuryship. The Camerons were posted in "Pathworth Park" an estate in England near Worthing.

They did a lot of battle drill training and were always cold and wet. Rosario and his buddy Milton Needolin were smaller in stature than average so they were called "Short Asses" and decided there should be an easier job in this man's army than crawling in muddy ditches doing battle drill, so they applied for a signallers course which they graduated with flying colours. They stayed at signal school and escaped battle drill at least three months before being called back to the Camerons. When they went on their first scheme, they found out that signaller was not that easy because they had to carry an extra eighteen pounds, besides their normal equipment. They had many a

good time too, going on leave and seeing the British Isles. Edinburgh, Scotland was their favorite city. They completed training at Broome Park near Canterbury.

On July 3, 1944, they took off to Caen, France which was their first baptismal of battle at Fontenay le Marion. On August 8 they were dug in, in an orchard. By the time the battle was over there were no branches left on the apple trees.

Rosario was wounded at the "Moaning Minnie Barrage" by the enemy, that area was known as the Falaise Gap. On August 18, they broke through the Gap and had the Jerries on the run with some resistance from the rear guards at Roven and crossing the Somme River, from there to Belgium. They travelled until they had some hard fighting in Brasschat and were stopped at "Mook" on November 9 and were held there until February 13, 1945. In an attempt to break through the enemy strong-hold the SSR were making a night raid. Rosario's buddy Milt had to maintain telephone communication between the leading troop and HQ. Milt got wounded while laying telephone lines which earned him a military medal. After the Allies decided to make the big move, the Germans blew up the dykes and flooded the Reichswald Forest. It was very slow going, all the heavy equipment was getting stuck and blocking the roads. On the April 14 they lost their Colonel. There were many concrete "Pill Boxes" to contend with which also slowed them.

On May 3, 1945 they reached Oldenburg and were organizing for another attack when they got word on May 6 that the war was over. Rosario and Milt spent most of this summer in Amsterdam, Holland waiting to get repatriated. In October they got moved to Aldershot, England. In November they boarded the Queen Elizabeth and were home by the end of the month.

GUIMOND, Todd G. J.

PEACETIME

Todd is the son of Jean and Rosario Guimond of Fisher Branch. He enlisted on October 23, 1986 at the Recruiting Centre in Winnipeg. He arrived in Cornwallis, Nova Scotia on October 24, 1986 to begin basic training. He stayed in CFRS Cornwallis for ten weeks. After he graduated he went to an air frame technician course in Canadian Forces Base Borden, Ontario. He spent six months there from January to June 1987. After the course, he left for posting to CFB Moose Jaw, SK. He was at Moose Jaw for three years and received a posting at CFB Winnipeg.





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HALAYKO, Peter

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Peter enlisted on September 15, 1944 in the Royal Winnipeg Rifles. He trained at Fort Osborne Barracks, Fort Garry, and Camp Shilo, Manitoba. He went overseas on the ship Aquitania and landed in Scotland. He served in England, France, Holland, Belgium and Germany. He came back to Canada at the beginning of September 1946 on the same ship. He was discharged on September 30, 1946.

HALL (HENDERSHOTT), Arley Pearl

PEACETIME

Arley enlisted in Winnipeg with the Royal Canadian Air Force in October 1951. She attended boot camp in Saint-Jean, Quebec and went to Clinton, Ontario to learn a trade. She graduated from the radar and communications school as a performance checker (ground) in July 1952. She transferred to Summerside, Prince Edward Island until May 1953, then back to the radar and communications school and graduated as a communications mechanic in November 1953. She transferred to Falconbridge, Ontario where she met Albert Kotilla, who was a radar technician. She married him in Sudbury, Ontario in November 1954. Arley was honourably discharged in April 1955 in Falconbridge, Ontario and then resided in Campbell River, British Columbia.





HALL, Charles

WWI

Charles enlisted in Winnipeg on March 16, 1916 in the 184th Battalion. He trained at Camp Hughes, which later became Camp Shilo. As a result of the intensive training which he received he developed severe varicose veins in both legs, which is why his time overseas was spent in the orderly room in London. When Charles was at Camp Hughes, a request was received by the commanding officer for volunteers to help with the harvest on southern Manitoba farms. He volunteered on the condition that the farmer would allow his family to stay at the farm while he worked there. Charles served in England with the Canadian Army Service Corps and was demobilized on February 27, 1919. He was instrumental in the founding of The Royal Canadian Legion in Fisherton in February 1945 and was the first Secretary. Charles passed away on May 17, 1952 and is buried in the Soldiers Plot in the Beechwood Cemetery in Ottawa.



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HALL, John R. "Jack"

WWII

John joined the Army Service Corps from Fisher Branch in September 1941. He later transferred to the Ordnance Corps and in April 1942 he was posted overseas. John served in Italy in 1944. He also served in Belgium, Northwest Europe and was in Holland in 1946. He was repatriated in 1946 and discharged in March 1946. John rejoined the army in 1947 and spent 1953 to 1954 on a course in Monterey, California. He was in the army; this time until 1960. After John's army career he spent several years teaching school. He lived near Barry's Bay, Ontario on a forty acre hobby farm. He said it was the nearest thing he could find to living in Fisherton where he was raised.

WWII

HALLET, Lawrence

Private Lawrence Hallet enlisted in 1940 in the Winnipeg Grenadiers. He trained with his regiment at Minto Armouries and Fort Osborne Barracks in Winnipeg. He went to Bermuda on the Lady Drake in May 1940 and Jamaica in September 1940, returning to Canada in October 1941. The Winnipeg Grenadiers were shipped to Hong Kong at the end of October 1941. Lawrence was taken prisoner in December 1941 and died a Prisoner of War in December 1942, as a result of contracting yellow jaundice. Roy Stodgell, a comrade and friend from the Fisherton area, was there at the time of Lawrence's burial in Hong Kong.





HALLET, Ralph

WWII

Ralph enlisted in Fort Osborne Barracks in Winnipeg on March 10, 1943. He took basic training at Fort Garry, advance training at Camp Shilo, Manitoba and Debert, Nova Scotia. In March 1944 he embarked in Halifax on the lle-de-France for overseas and landed in Scotland. He took further training in various places in England. On June 10, 1944 he went to France as reinforcement troops for the Highland Light Infantry, Third Division, 9th Brigade. He saw action in France, Belgium, Germany and Holland. He was wounded on October 19, 1944 in Holland and was hospitalized for about two weeks. While he was in Germany, he advanced from Private to Lance Corporal on January 12, 1944. He was later promoted to Corporal on February 7, 1945 in Germany and remained there until August 1945. He returned to Canada on the ship Louis Pasteur. Ralph travelled back to Fort Osborne Barracks where he was discharged on October 4, 1945. After service, he resided in Fisher Branch with his wife Mary.

Master Bombardier Shastan Beaumont-Smith



Shastan was born in Winnipeg in 1991. She served with the 26 Field Regiment in Canada during Peacetime.

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HALLETT, Benjamin "Ben"

WWII

Ben enlisted in the Army in 1939 with the Royal Canadian Artillery and was discharged in 1940. He re-enlisted in the Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders and served overseas in England. Ben was discharged in 1944 and lived in Fort Frances, Ontario. He died in a car accident and is buried in the Fisherton Cemetery.

HALLETT, Bruce Fraser

WWII

Bruce enlisted in the Armed Forces in Winnipeg at No. 10 District Depot. He trained in Winnipeg and Dundurn, Saskatchewan and went overseas in May 1944. He served in Canada, United Kingdom, France, Belgium and Holland with the Lake Superior Regiment. While in Europe, Bruce was wounded and was listed as "missing in action" for a month. The following is an excerpt from a letter to Bruce's mother from his company commander. "On March the 2nd, 1945 Bruce's unit had been given the task of capturing some 'high ground' just southeast of the Hoschwald Forest (Germany). The attack was successful but before the infantry could get up to help them the Germans counter attacked and captured some of the forward positions. The ground was retaken shortly but Bruce was missing. He had stepped on a land mine, and was wounded in both legs. The Germans took the wounded to a hospital and they remained there until they were liberated, sometime in April, and taken to England. During this time, Bruce was a Prisoner of War." Because of his wounds Bruce had an artificial leg. He came home to Winnipeg on May 24, 1945. He was discharged from the Armed Forces on August 15, 1945. Bruce lived on the farm in Fisherton until his death on November 21, 1981.





HALLETT, Eli "Fat"

Eli enlisted in 1940 in the Fort Garry Horse. He trained at Camp Borden, Ontario. Later in 1940 he went overseas and was stationed in Aldershot, England. Eli took part in the Normandy Invasion. He received his discharge in 1945 and returned to farm at Lake Francis, Manitoba. He is now deceased.

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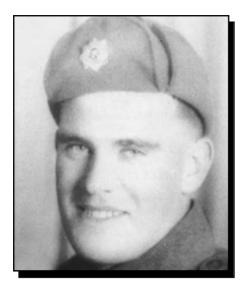
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HALLETT, Gordon

WWII

Gordon enlisted in Winnipeg in January 1941 to RCASC (Royal Canadian Army Service Corps). He trained at Camp Borden, Ontario. He went overseas in June 1941 and landed at Greenock, Scotland and went to Camp Borden in England. He went to First Canadian Corps Ammunition Park. Then they were split up into four units: First Canadian Ammunition Corps Co., First Corps Petrol Co., First Canadian Supply Co. and First Canadian Central Transport Co. He went to Sicily, Italy in 1943 for eighteen months, then back to Belgium, France, Holland and Germany in 1945. Gordon came home to Canada in November 1945 and was discharged in January 1946. Gordon passed away in Stonewall, Manitoba in March 1990.

HALLETT, Leslie Wilbert "Slim" "Les"

WWII

Leslie enlisted in the Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders Regiment of Canada on June 25, 1940 at No. 10 District Depot, Fort Osborne Barracks, Winnipeg, Manitoba. He served in Canada, the United Kingdom, and Continental Europe.

He received the following Medals: the Canadian Volunteer Service Medal and Clasp, the France and Germany Star, the Defence Medal and 1939-1945 Star.

After training for a few months at Fort Osborne Barracks, volunteers were called to travel through the United States to Galveston, Texas, to transport 300 mules overseas to Britain. Les was one of the volunteers. At this time the United States was not at war and the volunteers became Americans. When the ship docked in Halifax the boys believed they would go on leave, however they were disappointed as they were confined to the ship as they were still Americans.

They travelled overseas in a convoy by way of Greenland and Iceland.



The ship was old and it did not take long before it became separated from the convoy. The Atlantic Ocean was very rough with continuous dense fog. Days on end they were plagued by German submarines. After thirty days, they docked at Liverpool, England and the boys were glad to see the end of the mules.

Les trained in England (Folkstone) then instructed small arms and later instructed physical Training. Eventually in 1942, after several cancellations Les went over to France on the Dieppe Raid. When the raid was over the soldiers on the beach were trying to get into the little boats. When Les tried to get in the tailgate was closed and thanks to two soldiers Les was pulled into the boat.

Later he went through France, Holland, Belgium and Germany. At one point there was a house on a hill to be taken. Here Les caught a stray bullet in his face. He was invalided back to England (Basingstoke) where he spent many months in the hospital including many operations and needles. Later he became an outpatient and toured England and Scotland.

Upon arriving back in Winnipeg, he spent some time in Deer Lodge Hospital and was discharged from Fort Osborne Barracks on November 1, 1945. Les passed away on November 24, 1979 and is buried in Fisherton Cemetery, Fisher Branch, Manitoba.



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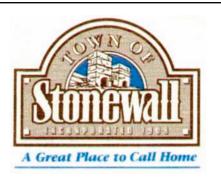
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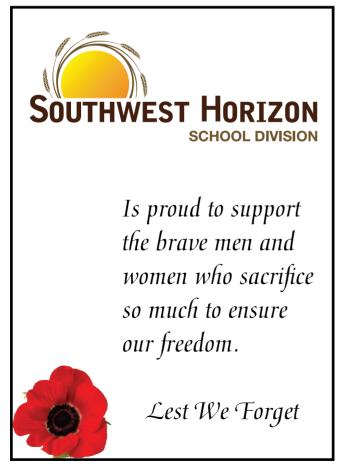
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HALVORSON, Gustav C. "Gus"

WWII

Gus joined the Royal Canadian Air Force at the beginning of World War II and served at remote Radar bases in the Queen Charlotte Islands and in the Northwest Territories. He spent many years of service on Canadian bases in Quebec, Manitoba and Saskatchewan. Gus also served four years on a NATO Air Base in Germany. He retired from the services in 1961 as Corporal. Gus spent eighteen years in the RCAF and passed away on April 9, 1988.

HAMELIN, Alcide

WWII & KOREA

Corporal Alcide Hamelin enlisted in Winnipeg on July 22, 1942 at No. 10 District Depot. His rank was Corporal in the PPCLI (Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry). He served overseas in Sicily, Italy, and Continental Europe. He received the 1939-1945 Star, the Sicily and Italy Star and the Canadian Volunteer Service Medal. He was discharged from No. 10 District Depot in Winnipeg on February 1, 1946. He later rejoined the service and went to Korea. He returned to Canada and lived in Ontario until his death.





HAMELIN, Francois F. "Fred"

WWII

Private Fred Hamelin, of Fisher Branch, enlisted in July 1941 and took his training at Camp Shilo and Portage la Prairie. He was in Winnipeg when the Winnipeg Grenadiers were leaving for Hong Kong at the end of October 1941. As they were short of men Fred volunteered to go with them and at this time transferred to the Winnipeg Grenadiers. He was taken prisoner in December 1941. Fred Hamelin died in the prison camp in 1943 at the young age of seventeen.



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HAMRLIK, Albert

WWII

Albert volunteered for service on November 11, 1942. He served on active service with the Royal Canadian Air Force at different air bases in Canada as Leading Aircraftman. Albert was honourably released from service on March 26, 1946 and received the Canadian Volunteer Service Medal. He was a Life Member of The Royal Canadian Legion Hodgson Branch 158 and on the executive committee as Secretary. Albert passed away on February 6, 1987 at the age of seventy.

HAMRLIK, Edward "Eddie"

WWII

Edward joined the Royal Canadian Air Force in Winnipeg in 1942 for service in Canada as Leading Aircraftman. He was discharged on December 11, 1945 and returned to farm in the Hodgson area. Eddie was a member of The Royal Canadian Legion Hodgson Branch 158. He was killed in a truck accident on November 1, 1972 at the age of 58.

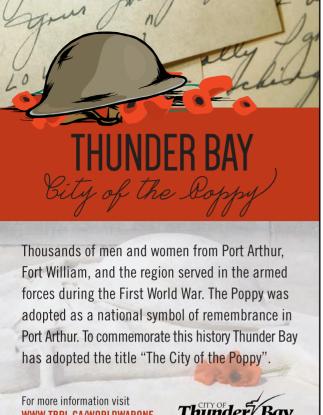




HANNAFORD, Richard Harold

WWI

Richard was born in Marlborough, England in 1889 and farmed in the Bagot, Manitoba area. He joined the Army in March 1916 in Winnipeg. Richard was a Private with the 78th Battalion, sailing from Halifax in May 1916 for Southampton, England on the SS Empress of Britain. He was married in England on August 1, 1916 and was sent to France on August 12, 1916. Richard died of his wounds while fighting in France on October 29, 1916 and is buried at the Vimy Memorial in France.



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HEBERT (STODGELL), Iva

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Iva enlisted on November 6, 1942 in the WRENS. She served in Galt, Ontario and Halifax, Nova Scotia as Private. She was discharged on October 14, 1943.

HEBERT, Louis

Louis enlisted in October 1942 in the 15th Field Regiment. He took his basic training at Fort Garry, Manitoba for about three months. He went overseas in the beginning of 1943 on the ship, Bangor. The ship was torpedoed close to Iceland and an American ship picked them up. Louis was in Aldershot and Brighton, England and in Sunny Bridge, Wales. Louis met Cyril Stodgell, his brothers Curly and Ray Hebert, Billy Hyde and Jack Romanson while he was in England. He went into action six days after D-Day. He served in England, France, Belgium, Holland and Germany. Louis came home on the Queen Elizabeth and received his discharge on January 19, 1946 after which point he resided in Winnipeg.





HEBERT, Oliver "Curly"

WWII

Oliver enlisted on April 12, 1941 in Winnipeg. He was only sixteen years old. He joined the infantry and was a rifleman with the Royal Winnipeg Rifles. Curly took six months training at Camp Debert, Nova Scotia and went overseas in October 1944. They landed at Greenock, Scotland and later were stationed at Aldershot, England. For about six months they were posted on the Isle of Wight. Curly was held in England for a time because of his age. After serving in the United Kingdom they were stationed in the Mediterranean Area where he joined the 5th Division. From there he served in Continental Europe, France, Belgium, Holland and Germany. In recognition of his service to his country he received the 1939-1945 Star, the Canadian Volunteer Service Medal and Clasp and the Defence Medal. He died on December 17, 1972 at the age of 48.

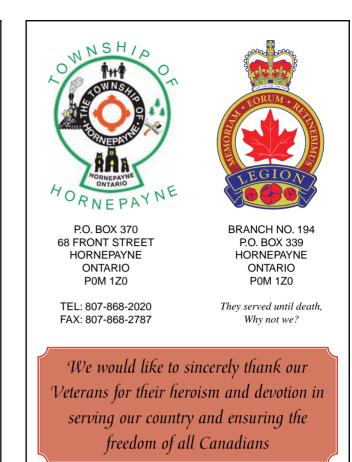
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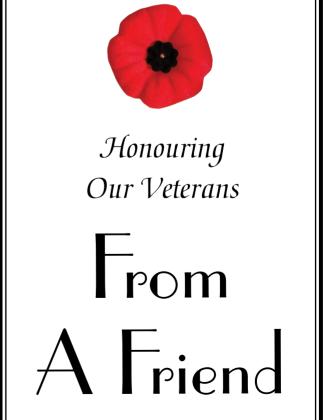
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HEBERT, Pete

WWII

Pete enlisted in July 1940 and went overseas on the Earle of Athlone to land in Liverpool, England with the Lake Superior Regiment. He served in England and France. Pete came back to Canada in 1945 on the Queen Elizabeth and resided in St. Laurent, Manitoba.

HEBERT, Raymond "Ray"

WWII

Ray enlisted on April 11, 1941 in an Infantry Regiment. He transferred to the Royal Winnipeg Rifles. Ray served in England and France. He got married in England to Betty Jones. He was wounded in France but was later returned to active service. He returned to Canada for a number of years then returned to England.





HENDERSON, Robert Ernest "Bob"

WWII

Bob was born on August 27, 1921 in Morden, Manitoba. He joined the Canadian Army, landed in France on June 11, 1944 with the Royal Canadian Army Service Corps. He attained the rank of Sergeant. For his service in the liberation of France, Bob was awarded the French Legion of Honour at a ceremony at Shoal Lake, Manitoba in 2017. He fought through France, Belgium, Holland and Germany and was discharged at the end of the war. Bob went on and became a pharmacist and bought a drug store in Shoal Lake where he and his wife Ruth reside today. They had two children, a boy and a girl who were both raised in Shoal Lake. Unfortunately, his son Rick died at the young age of 51. Bob and Ruth have been active in community affairs over the years. His medals, besides the France Legion of Honour, include the Canadian Volunteer Service Medal, Defence Medal, 1939-1945 War Medal, and the France and Germany Star. Bob is also a member of the Shoal Lake Royal Canadian Legion Branch 72.

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HENDRICKSON (DEWALT) (FLOOD), Irene

WWII

Irene enlisted in 1943 in the CWAC (Canadian Women's Army Corps). She served with the Occupation Force in England and Germany for two years. Irene received her discharge in 1946.

HENDRICKSON, Kermit

WWII

Kermit enlisted in the Royal Winnipeg Rifles in November 1941. He went overseas in March 1942 and transferred to the Royal Regina Rifles. He served in England and France. He was promoted to Lance Corporal. Kermit was wounded on June 6, 1944, D-Day at Normandy. He lost a leg due to his injuries. Kermit passed away on September 30, 1980.





HENDRICKSON, Norman E.

PEACETIME

Norman joined the Army on October 13, 1950. He took his basic training and gunnery in Shilo, Manitoba. In the spring of 1951, he was posted to Work Point Barracks in Esquimalt, BC. There he took his Coastal Gunnery, Aircraft Gunnery, a Radar course and his Junior NCO course. In November 1953 to 1954 Norman was posted to Whitehorse, Yukon. Then, transferred to the RCAPC (Royal Canadian Army Pay Corps). In June 1954 he was posted to Fort Osborne Barracks, Winnipeg and transferred to 1st RCHA where he also took a course in the 105 MM Howitzers. He was then posted to Germany from 1957 to 1960. From 1960 to 1965, he was posted to Camp Gagetown, New Brunswick then to Winnipeg to the 1st Loc Battery. Norman did trials in Camp Shilo, Yuma, Arizona and back to Camp Shilo. He then went to Ottawa for three months. In 1968, Norman was transferred to the 3rd RCHA. In 1969, he went to Norway for three months for Arctic Express 1. After 21 years of service Norman retired on December 15, 1971 with an Honourary Discharge. He resided in Winnipeg with his wife Annette until his death in 1990.



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HERSHFIELD, Harry Hymie

WWII

Harry was born on April 30, 1918 in Winnipeg. He enlisted in the Royal Canadian Air Force at 24 years of age on June 23, 1942. He was posted in many areas of Canada - Winnipeg, Brandon, Regina, Toronto, Angus and Belleville. On December 12, 1945 Harry was honourably discharged from the RCAF with the rank of Leading Aircraftman. The Canadian Volunteer Service Medal and War Medal were awarded to him on January 15, 1944. After his discharge, he spent many years travelling the northern parts of Manitoba. He eventually settled in Hodgson where he became an integral part of the community for 35 years as a general merchant. Ill health forced him to retire and shortly thereafter he passed away at the age of seventy.

WWII

HICKS, Walter Marvin

Walter was born to George Hicks and Martha Jane Lee on July 31, 1918 in High Bluff, Manitoba and enlisted in the Air Force on February 6, 1941 in Winnipeg. He trained at Brantford, Victoriaville and Portage la Prairie, receiving his wings at Yorkton, Saskatchewan. He married Hilda Margaret Smith in Neepawa, Manitoba on August 31, 1941. He was assigned to #22 Squadron and was deployed to the Far East on January 7, 1942 to defend against the Japanese following Pearl Harbor, flying the Bristol Beaufort I bomber. He was killed on April 14, 1943 while on a reconnaissance flight over the English Channel. His plane went down near Newcastleton, Scotland. He is buried at the Annan Cemetery in Lockerbie, Dumfriesshire, Scotland. He was posthumously awarded the rank of Warrant Officer 2. A lake in the Lynn Lake area called Hicks Lake was named after him.





HIGHFIELD, Edward E. "Ted"

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Ted was born in Flin Flon, Manitoba on August 14, 1950. He served on the HMCS Yukon and HMCS Qu'Apelle in the Navy for three-and-a-half years. His favorite memory was when the HMCS St. Croix was tied inside the Qu'Appelle and they had made their coxswain angry, at which they loosened the ropes so they could place two paint barrages between the two ships. The next day, the admiral's inspection wasn't pleased when the St. Croix outer aide was painted pink. Ted is a 47-year member of The Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 73.



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HIGHFIELD, Ron R. C.

WWII

Ron was born in Gilbert Plains in 1925. He enlisted in the Army and served during World War II.

He lived and breathed The Royal Canadian Legion. He was volunteering for any construction. He was very much a part of the conventions when he and his wife went to Ottawa for all district Presidents when his uniform and medals went missing. Two days later, a new uniform and medals turned up in Ottawa with apologies at which time all the Presidents and wives went on a cruise and dined with Prince Philip.

After the cruise and dinner, he came home and all he could talk about was how impressed he was with Prince Philip and how knowledgeable he was about The Legion.

Ron joined Flin Flon Branch 73 in 1951, was Branch Executive from 1952 to 1958, Branch Second Vice President from 1959 to 1960, Branch First

Vice President from 1961 to 1962; Branch President, District Secretary #1 North from 1963 to 1964; Branch Past President District Secretary #1 North from 1965 to 1966; District Secretary District #1 North from 1967 to 1968; District Commander District #1 North from 1970; District Commander District #1 North from 1971 to 1972; Vice Chairman, M&NW Ontario, Command from 1971 to 1972; 3rd Vice President from 1975 to 1976; 1st Vice President from 1977 to 1978 and President from 1979 to 1980.

He was Chairman of Branch 73 Housing Committee from 1982 to 1983; President of Branch 73 Housing Corporation from 1983 to 1986; Manager and maintenance, Jubilee Residence from 1983 to 1986.

Ron transferred membership to Red Deer Branch 35 in 1991. He supervised volunteers on Branch renovations in 1992, served on Branch committees in 1993, chaired the Committee on Revisions of Branch by-laws in 1995 and was involved in Green Thumb, fundraising and car raffles in 1995. Ron was awarded Life Membership in 1983, LMSM in 1988, Certificate of Merit in 1993, Palm Leaf in 1995, Canada's Centennial Medal in 1967, Queen's 25th Anniversary Medal in 1977 and Canada's 125th Confederation Anniversary in 1993. Ron passed away in 2002.

HILL, Harold Wilfred

WWI

Harold was born in Brantford, Ontario in 1886 and was a decorator from the Bagot, Manitoba area. He joined the Army in March 1916 in Brandon, Manitoba with the 181st Battalion. Harold sailed from Halifax in April 1917 for England on the SS Grampian. He served as a Private with 44th Battalion in England and was sent to France in March 1918. Harold had diphtheria and had a hammer toe amputated. He was awarded the Good Conduct Badge. He sailed home to Canada after the war on the Empress of Britain and was discharged on August 16, 1919. Harold passed away in 1963 and is buried at the Farringdon Cemetery in Brantford, Ontario.





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HILLE, Harold J. E.

WWII

Harold was born on July 24, 1918 in the MacGregor area, son of Walter and Catherine Hille. Walter was four when he came to Canada in 1896 from Germany. They grew up as farmers in hard times. Harold finished grade eight and besides farming did some carpentry. When war broke out Harold signed up as PPCLI infantry, his two brothers joined the Signal Corps. When they signed up, they were told to drop the 'e' from Hille so they would sound more English. If the Nazis caught them, they would be shot on the spot for being a "traitor to the Father Land". He started training on January 13, 1940 and sailed for England in May. In England, they continued their training and he was promoted on June 1, 1943. He was sent to Sicily on July 22, 1943 and just four days later he was shot dead taking the town of Agira. These Canadians had marched and fought farther in the campaign than any other formation in the Eighth Army. He was buried at the Canadian War Cemetery in Agira, Italy.

WWII

HNATIUK, Michael "Mike"

Mike enlisted in the RCAF on October 15, 1942. He took his basic training at Brandon, Manitoba for six weeks. Then, he was transferred to #7 Equipment Depot in Winnipeg until May 1943. Also, he took a course in Diesel Engineering while there. After this training, they were formed into a Construction Maintenance Unit. He went to Armstrong, Ontario for two weeks. Then, he went back to Winnipeg for a short time and then on to Virden and Rivers, Manitoba. In the fall of 1944, he was sent to Watson Lake in the Yukon. This was a staging base where the Canadians and Americans transferred fighter planes to Russia. He looked after the Power House at Watson Lake Air Base. When the war ended, Mike was still there. He got his discharge on October 24, 1945 and resided in Winnipeg.





HOBDEN, Alice

WWII

Alice joined the Canadian Women's Army Corps at Military District #10 in Winnipeg, Manitoba in 1943. This unit took their basic training at Vermilion, Alberta.



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HOBDEN, David Frederick

WWII

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David, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hobden Sr., of Hodgson District, joined the Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders on October 6, 1940. He went overseas with the Cameron Regiment in October 1941. He joined up at the same time as Cyril Stodgell and they went overseas at the same time. David was wounded in the Dieppe Raid. After the war, he resided in Alberta.

HOBDEN, Harry

Harry enlisted in the Lake Superior Regiment in 1942. His training took about a year; the basic training was taken in Winnipeg and his advance training in Camp Shilo. From Camp Shilo he went to Truro, Nova Scotia for about one month. He went overseas on the ship Pasteur. It took them about one week to cross the Atlantic as they had to zig-zag to keep away from German submarines. They landed in Liverpool, England and then they were posted at Aldershot, England. Harry saw action in France, Belgium, Holland and Germany, and slightly wounded his leg. For one year he was in the Occupation Forces. He returned to Canada in the fall of 1946 and received his discharge in December 1946. He then resided in Harwill, Manitoba.

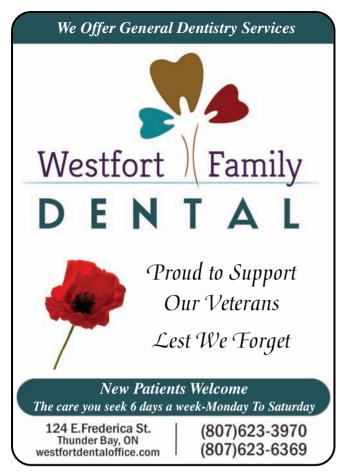




HODGSON, Allan David

WWI

Henry Rosser Hodgson and Margaret McDonald homesteaded in 1909 and received ownership of the land in April 1916. This couple had a total of twelve children - two died in infancy. Four of the sons served 'on active service' during World War I. The town, of Hodgson, Manitoba, bears this family's name. Allan was the sixth son of the Hodgson family. He also had a homestead east of town as of July 1912. He served with the 78th Battalion as Private during World War I. Allan was killed in action while in France on October 1, 1918. His family received a memorial copper plaque honouring him.





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HODGSON, Henry Septimus "Harry"

WWI

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HODGSON, Lawrence George Davis

WWI

Henry Rosser Hodgson and Margaret McDonald homesteaded in 1909 and received ownership of the land in April 1916. This couple had a total of twelve children - two died in infancy. Four of the sons served 'on active service' during World War I. The town of Hodgson, Manitoba, bears this family's name. Lawrence was the fifth son. He received his homestead east of town in January 1911, on the quarter next to his father's. He served during World War I with the Cavalry as Private. After the war he moved to Edmonton where he died on April 6, 1952.

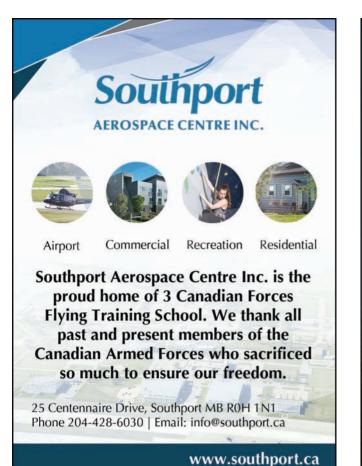




HODGSON, William Anthony

WWI

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HOMICK, Peter

WWII

Peter enlisted in October 1944 in Winnipeg at the age of eighteen. He took basic training at the Fort Garry Basic Training Centre at the University of Manitoba. He received advance training at Camp Shilo, then took an Infantry Signals Course in Barriefield, Ontario. He enlisted for the Pacific Volunteers after VE Day and was transferred to Dundurn, Saskatchewan then back to Winnipeg in 1945. From October 1945 until February 1946 he attended Khaki College in Winnipeg. He was transferred back to Shilo until May 1946 when he received his discharge.

HOPGOOD, Alfred Sr.

BOER WAR & WWI

Alfred was born in England on June 30, 1877. He served in the British Imperial Army for 21 years, joining at the age of fourteen. He was in active service in both the Boer War and World War I. He lived near his daughter in British Columbia for the last years of his life.





HOPGOOD, Thomas

WWII

Sapper Tom Hopgood enlisted on May 31, 1940 in the 1st Corps Field Park Company RCE (Royal Canadian Engineers). He served in England but was unable to meet medical standards so was returned to Canada. Tom received his discharge on May 3, 1943.



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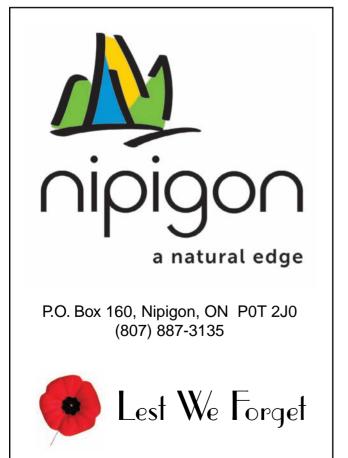
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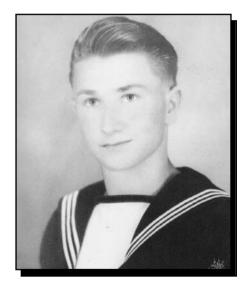
WWI

Reginald was born in London, England in 1889 and farmed in the Bagot, Manitoba area. He joined the Army in March 1916 in Winnipeg, Manitoba, sailing from Halifax in September 1916 on the SS Olympic. He served in England and was sent to Boulogne, France in February 1917. Reginald initially was a Private with the 107th Pioneer Canadian Battalion and then became a Sapper with the 2nd Battalion. He was a Batman to a Lieutenant for a short period of time. Reginald was awarded the Good Conduct Badge. He sailed home after the war on the RMS Mauretania in June 1919 and was discharged on July 8, 1919. He retired in the United Kingdom in 1960, passing away in Dorset, England in 1970 at the age of 81.

WWII

HUK, Jerry "Zado"

Jerry was born on June 14, 1924 in Zbaraz, Manitoba, son of Petro and Josephine Huk. He enlisted in the Royal Canadian Navy in 1942 and served as an A/B (Able Bodied) Seaman on the HMCS Cobalt, a Corvette, attached to the North Atlantic Escort Duty. Their duties were to protect the Allied Merchant ships against enemy attacks as they crossed the Atlantic Ocean to the European theatre of war. He was discharged in 1946. After his discharge he worked for the Railway Police Staff in the Grand Beach Area and the Department of National Defense as Supervisor of Base Supply Stationery Department. He then retired and lived in Winnipeg, Manitoba. He enjoyed being a member of The Royal Canadian Legion Ukrainian Branch 141.

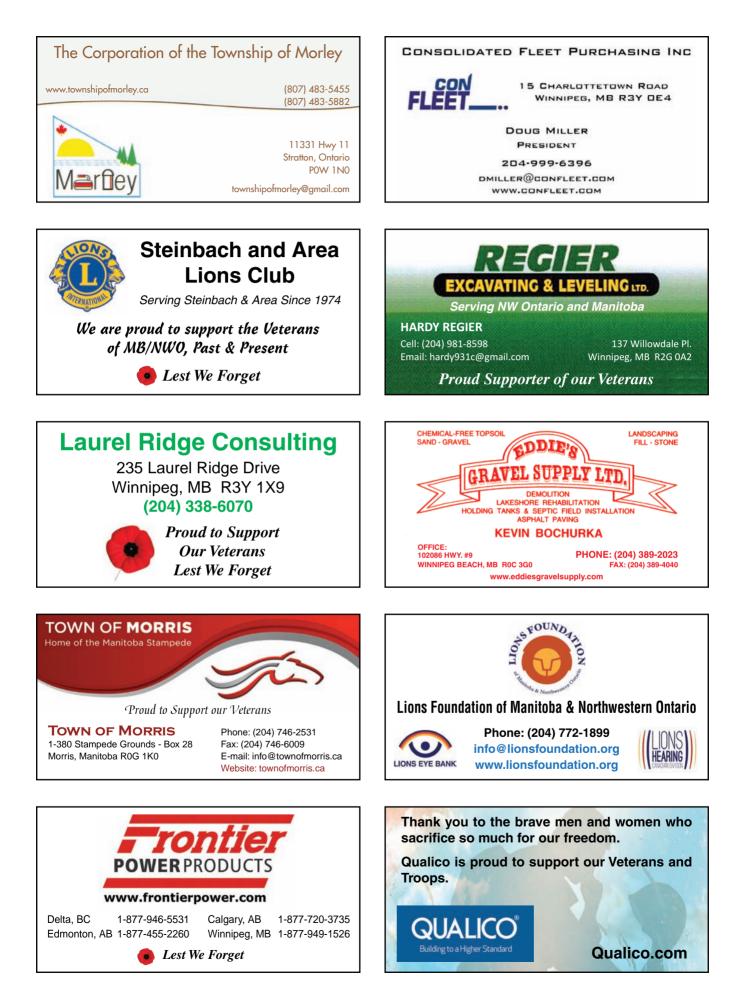




HUTCHINSON, Thomas M.

WWI

Thomas was born in Egton, Yorkshire, England in 1887 and farmed in the Bagot, Manitoba area. He joined the Army in 1915 in Portage la Prairie, Manitoba with the 226th Overseas Battalion. He had scarlet fever at Camp Hughes Manitoba in October 1916. Thomas sailed from Halifax in December 1916 for Liverpool, England on the SS Olympic. He was a Private with the 44th Battalion serving in England, France and Belgium and was sent to France in April 1917. Thomas suffered a gunshot wound to his arm in September 1917. He married Frances Pauline McAvan in Epson, Surrey, England in August 1918. Thomas was injured in action near Lene, France and was hospitalized before being sent home. He was awarded the Military Medal, sailing home from England after the war in September 1918, being discharged on November 14, 1918. Thomas passed away in Winnipeg on January 12, 1975 at the Deer Lodge Hospital. He is buried at Alta Mount Cemetery in Pilot Mound, Manitoba.



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JOHNSON, Fred

PEACETIME

Private Fred Johnson was born on March 3, 1930. He joined the PPCLI 1st Battalion and was with this regiment from 1951 to 1954. Fred took basic training in Camp Borden and Camp Ipperwash, Ontario. He left for Korea in the spring of 1952 and returned to Canada in March 1953 and was then stationed at Currie Barracks in Calgary, Alberta. Later Fred took paratroop training at Rivers, Manitoba and Camp Shilo. In the summer of 1953 he was made qualified paratrooper and later made thirteen jumps. He took a winter survival course in White Horse, Yukon with one paratroop jump in February 1954. He was discharged in September 1954. Fred rejoined the service in November 1954 in Winnipeg as Gunner 1st Battalion, RCHA and was stationed in Winnipeg until his discharge in 1957.

WWI

JONES, John

John was born in Hampstead, Ontario in 1890 and was a carpenter from Bagot, Manitoba. He joined the Army in March 1916 in Winnipeg with the 196th Overseas Battalion, sailing from Halifax in November 1916 on the SS Southland. John was a Private with the Canadian Mounted Rifles, serving in England and was sent to France in April 1917. John was severely wounded on August 11, 1918 in Rouen, France by machinegun bullets to his elbow, femur and pelvis. He was awarded the Good Conduct Badge. After the war, John sailed back to Portland, Maine in May 1919 on the HMAT Essequibo (ambulance transport). He was discharged on February 7, 1920. John passed away at the Deer Lodge Hospital in Winnipeg on January 15, 1966.





KENNEDY, Clinton G.

SPECIAL DUTY AREA & PEACETIME

Clinton was born in Neepawa, Manitoba in 1940. He joined the Royal Canadian Corps of Signals/Communications & Electronics Branch in 1959 and served with different units in Alberta, Manitoba, Ontario, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia. He also served in Congo from 1962 to 1963, Germany from 1965 to 1969 and 1975 to 1979 and Cyprus in 1974. Clinton retired in 1980. He is presently a 31-year member of The Royal Canadian Legion Winnipeg Beach Branch 61.

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KING, Harold Herbert

WWII

Herbert was born on July 1, 1920 in Virden, Manitoba. He was the only son of Rev. William King and Lola Edith Groese. He enlisted with the 101 Squadron on May 9, 1942 with the Air Force while his father ministered in High Bluff, Manitoba. He trained in Edmonton, Saskatoon, Virden, Brandon and Paulson receiving his Bomber Wings in Winnipeg. The Lancaster and crew of eight, including Harold, flew out of RAF Station Ludford Magna England at 2215 on June 30, 1944 with a target at Vierzon, France, his 23rd mission. Harold was reported missing on July 4, 1944. On August 7, 1945, a local woman reported a burnt out plane and seven or eight bodies in a field between Autheuil and La Chapelle-du-Noyer. FO King was buried in Grave #597 in the Chateaudun Civil Cemetery located thirty miles north of Orleans, France and was posthumously awarded the Operational Wings. King Creek was named in his honour.

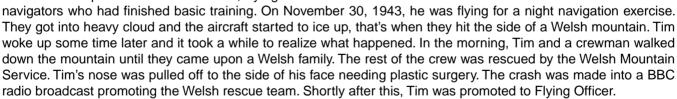
KNIGHT, Albert James "Tim"

WWII

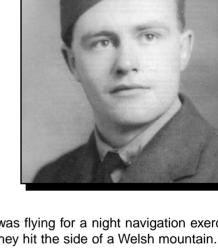
Tim was born on a farm near Clearwater, Manitoba on November 10, 1917. He worked on the farm prior to enlisting in the RCAF on November 21, 1941 in Winnipeg. Tim started basic training in Lachine, Quebec, basic aeronautics in Belleville, Ontario as well as training in a Tiger Moth in Windsor Mill, Quebec. He graduated as a Pilot in Moncton, New Brunswick in March 1943, sailing to Scotland in April on the Queen Elizabeth. Tim then went on to Bournemouth, England, which was a holding unit for Canadian Airmen. He flew Oxford aircraft at Church Lawford, England training in cross country and solo.

Tim was at a concert in London where Vera Lynn was singing when there was an air raid. No one could leave, so the airmen stayed and Tim had a dance with Vera. He was part of 433 Porcupine Squadron at Skipton-on-Swale, England for some of the war.

Tim was staff pilot on the Isle of Man, flying aircraft to train student



One memorable occasion Tim recalled was in the evening of May 7, 1945 when he was on a flight to an area off the coast of Norway to lay mines. His Lancaster aircraft had six tons of mines and 2,000 gallons of fuel. Tim just got off the ground when it came over the radio that the war was over. He flew over the North Sea along England for five and a half hours to burn enough fuel for a safe landing. What Tim noticed as he flew were lights coming on in the towns and farms as the English people slowly realized the blackout was over, after more than five years of war. It was "like England was waking up after five years of complete blackouts", "just like coming back to life again". Tim also volunteered for Japan after getting back to Canada, but the war ended. He left the Air Force after the war and farmed for ten years, rejoining as an LAC at the age of 36. Tim was stationed in France for four years as part of NATO after he rejoined. Tim passed away in Portage la Prairie, Manitoba on December 22, 2006.









KON, William

WWII

William joined the Sault Ste. Marie Regiment in January 1943 and went overseas in January 1944 on a Dutch boat. Later he joined Royal Winnipeg Rifles, he spent some time in England and then in the Occupation Force in Holland. He returned to Canada on the Queen Elizabeth and three and a half years in the army was discharged in 1946. After the war he resided in Kilkenny.

WWII

KOSIE, John

Private John Kosie was born in Fisher Branch, Manitoba in 1923. He enlisted with the Royal Canadian Army Service Corps on June 13, 1941 in Fisher Branch. He served in Canada, the United Kingdom and Continental Europe, England, France, Germany, Belgium and Holland. His active service was as a dispatcher. "The only unfortunate thing that happened to me, I had an accident with my motorcycle while on duty and ended up in the hospital for about three weeks." John's medal decorations/awards in respect of services during the war were: the France and Germany Star, the Defence Medal and Clasp and the Canadian Volunteer Service Medal and Clasp. He was discharged on January 21, 1946 and returned to civilian life. He married and has two sons and four grandchildren. He retired and lived in Arborg, Manitoba.

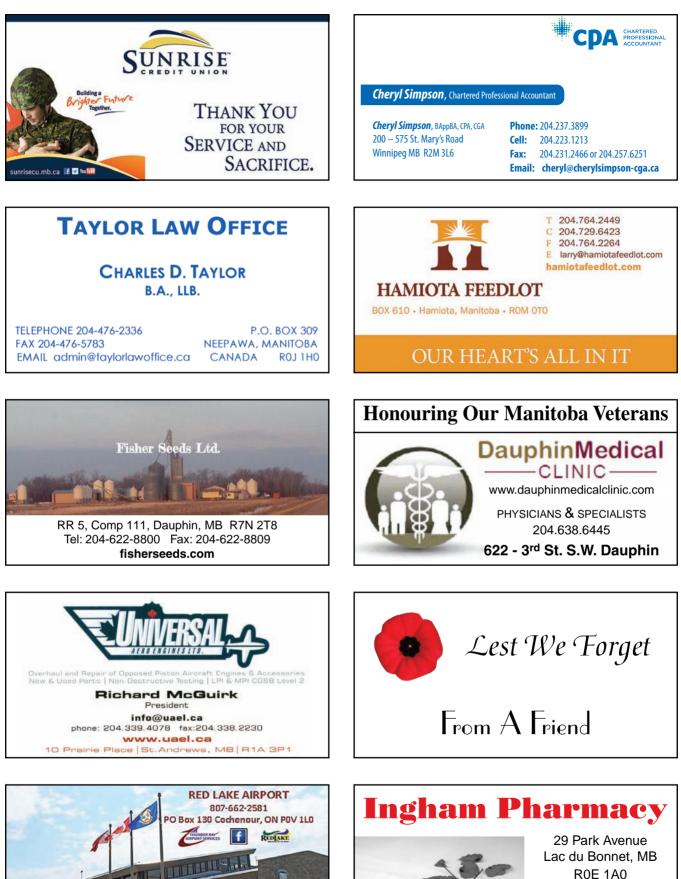




KRAWCHUK, Harry F.

WWII

Harry was born in Fisher Branch, Manitoba in 1918. He joined the Canadian Army on April 24, 1944. He took his basic training at Fort Osborne Barracks in Winnipeg. On August 2, 1944 he transferred to Camp Shilo, Manitoba to train as a paratrooper with the 1st Canadian Parachute Battalion. On October 18, 1944 he qualified as a trooper. Harry left Canada on December 25, 1944 on board the Martain for Ringway, England. He trained further at Ringway as the training he took at Shilo allowed 700 ft. drops only. The jumps they made in Europe were only 500 ft. The difference was that at a 500 ft. drop they could not use reserve chutes. Many troopers dropped out because of this difference. Harry parachuted across the Rhine and through Germany to Wismar. Harry lost many of his trooper friends and saw many wounded. Harry was never wounded but his war memories never left him. The war ended and on May 31, 1945 the Battalion received a send-off and two weeks later they left for Canada on the Île-de-France. The ship landed in Halifax and Harry left from there by train to Winnipeg and then home to Fisher Branch. He was discharged from the army on December 22, 1945.



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KRAWCHUK, Nestor

WWII

Nestor enlisted on March 12, 1941 at HMCS Chippawa. He was there until June 1942 when he was discharged because he was underage.

On July 21, 1944 he re-enlisted in the Navy. The first part of his training was at HMCS Chippawa, Winnipeg until November 10, 1944. He then went to Cornwallis, Nova Scotia until December 23, 1944.

He served on HMCS St. Francis from December 23, 1944 to January 26, 1945 in the Bay of Fundy. He took torpedo training at HMCS Stadacona in Halifax from February 21, 1945 to April 15, 1945. After this he was assigned to the Anti-Submarine Mining Base at the Naval Magazine at Bedford Basin in Halifax because he had leg trouble and was unable to remain at sea.

Nestor was in Halifax during the explosion in July 1945 which destroyed all of the Naval Magazine except the Mining Base Building.

While he was at the Mining Base he boarded out, as they did not live at the base. The day of the explosion he had just got back to his room about an hour and a half before the explosion and was lying on the bed when the first blast came. It blew the plaster off the ceiling and he ended up on the floor. Nestor's landlady, who had survived the first explosion in 1917, took off and they did not see her for three days. When they heard from her she was in Lunenburg, Nova Scotia.

On November 5, 1945 he was sent back to Winnipeg for discharge on November 25, 1945. He returned to Fisher Branch to farm, got married and had three children. They moved to Winnipeg in 1962 and Nestor worked for Canada Post Corp until his retirement in 1984.

KROKOSH, Phillip

WWII

Phillip was born in Poland in 1907. He served with the South Saskatchewan Regiment during World War II. He was a member of The Royal Canadian Legion, Frenchman Butte Branch 183 for fifty years. Phillip passed away in 1990.



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KUDELSKI, Paul

WWII

Paul enlisted on September 29, 1942 in Winnipeg and took his training at Esquimalt, BC. He was promoted to Bombardier and stationed in Vancouver and Victoria for two years. They were then moved to London, Ontario. In January 1945 he went overseas on the ship Amsterdam. He landed in England and while there he was transferred to the Royal Winnipeg Rifles in the 3rd Division, then as a private. He served in Canada, Britain, France, Belgium, Holland and Germany during World War II. He served in the Occupation Force in Holland for about five months and returned back to Canada on the ship Cynthia. Paul was discharged in Winnipeg on February 21, 1946.

WWII

KULCZYCKI, Paul

Paul was born in 1917 in Winnipeg, Manitoba. He voluntarily enlisted in the Army on January 29, 1942 and was discharged on January 16, 1946. He was a member of the Winnipeg Light Infantry (NPAM) for six months in 1932. He was a member of the Royal Canadian Engineers 4th Battalion and served in Canada, England and Continental Europe. His rank was Sapper and he had a War Department Driver's License to drive Group 3 vehicles. He was awarded the 1939-1945 Star, the Defence Medal, the France and Germany Star and the Canadian Volunteer Service Medal. He was a member of The Royal Canadian Legion in Winnipeg since 1945. Paul passed away in 1973.

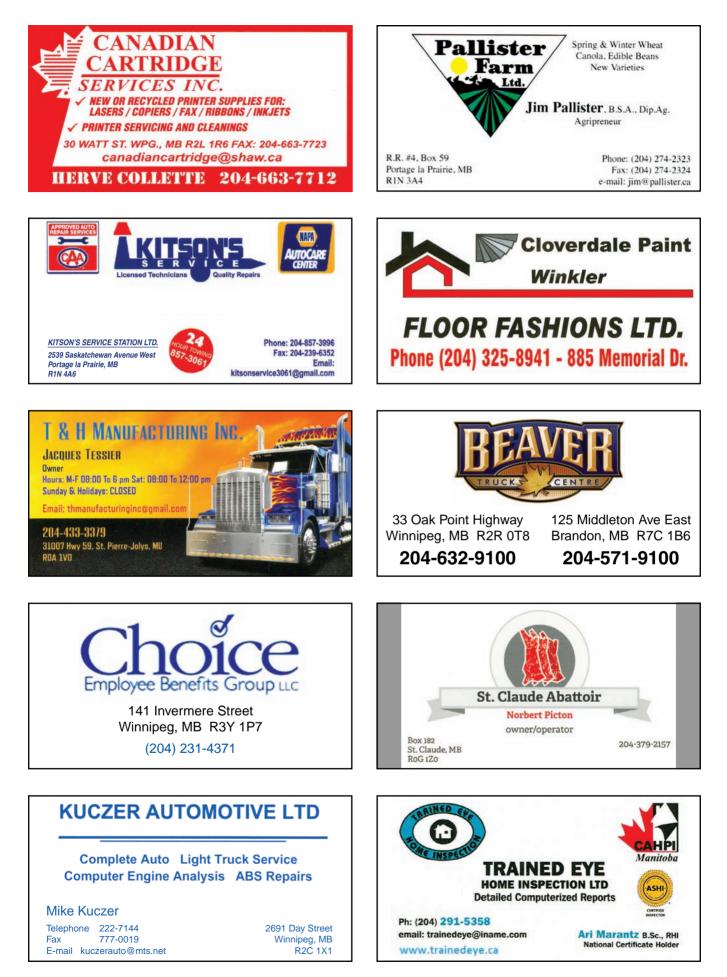




KURYK, John

WWII

John enlisted at Fort Osborne Barracks on November 29, 1943. He took basic training in Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island and advance training in Halifax, Nova Scotia. He took the Radar Operator course in Kingston, Ontario and was posted to Victoria, Vancouver Island and Camp Shilo. After two and a half years, he was discharged in May 1946, medical conditions prevented overseas service. He served as Bombardier with the 23rd Artillery during World War II.







KURYK, William

WWII

William enlisted at No. 10 District Depot NRMA, the Canadian Army in Winnipeg, Manitoba on March 9, 1943. He was transferred to Niagara Falls where he served one year. He was then transferred to New Brunswick for another year. Bill received his discharge on September 12, 1945. He returned to Fisher Branch where he lived with his wife Nellie until he passed away on September 29, 1986.

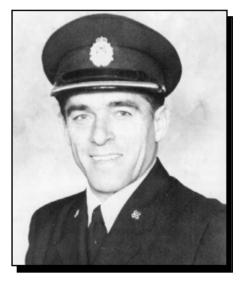
LABCHUK, Steven

Steven enlisted on June 23, 1948 at RCAF Station Winnipeg. After completing Basic Training at RCAF Station Trenton, Ontario he was assigned to the accounting trade.

During the period from November 1948 to July 1962 he served as an Aircraftman and Corporal at RCAF Stations Summerside, Prince Edward Island, Trenton, Ontario and Winnipeg, Manitoba.

In January 1963, he was posted to Air Force Headquarters, Ottawa promoted to Sergeant and served as the Senior Non-Commissioned Officer in charge of Pay for the Headquarters.

He was posted for duty with NATO from July 1966 to July 1970 and served at Headquarters Allied Forces Central Europe, Fontainebleau, France and then in Brunssum, Netherlands where the Headquarters was relocated when France severed its ties with NATO. During his tour of duty with NATO, he was promoted to Warrant Officer in 1967 and to Master Warrant



Officer in 1969. He completed the tour as Senior Non-Commissioned Officer with the Budget and Finance Division.

PEACETIME

In April 1970 he was granted a Commission as an Officer and posted in July 1970 to CFB Summerside, PEI as a Logistics Officer with the Base Comptroller Branch. He was again posted to CFB Winnipeg in July 1973, also as a Logistics Officer with the Base Comptroller Branch.

While at CFB Winnipeg he was posted for a six month tour (November 1974 to May 1975) with the Canadian Contingent, United Nations Emergency Force - Middle East, based in Ismailia, Egypt for peacekeeping duties. His duties included staff visits to Canadian Detachments in Alexandria and Cairo, Egypt; Tel Aviv and Jerusalem, Israel; Beirut, Lebanon and Damascus, Syria.

Upon return to CFB Winnipeg, he served as the acting Base Comptroller for one year. He retired from the Canadian Forces (Regular) on May 22, 1980. His decorations awarded include the Canadian Forces Decoration with 1st and 2nd Clasp, the United Nations Emergency Force and the Middle East.

He was then employed with the Department of Veterans Affairs, Head Office, Charlottetown, PEI as a Finance Officer and also served with the Prince Edward Island Reserve Forces as a logistics Officer with the rank of Major.







LAGIMODIERE, Pat

WWI

Pat joined the 222nd Battalion in St. Boniface, Manitoba and was transferred to the 24th Battalion in France. He received the Military Medal for Valour at Vimy Ridge. Pat, Harry Larence and two other men were the only survivors of their Battalion at Vimy Ridge. Pat was promoted to Corporal following that Battle. He returned to Canada for discharge and lived in Fisher Branch for a short time before he returned to Winnipeg, working there until his death.

LAMBERT, Astrid "Smart"

WWII

Smart was originally from Hodgson, Manitoba and joined the CWAC in Blue River, British Columbia in December 1942 where she had been employed. She was transferred to Kamloops, then to Nanaimo serving as a Transport Officer while in Canada. After being sent to Halifax she went overseas landing in Scotland. On arrival in Scotland, the women were met with fanfare and piped off the ship on to land. While overseas, she served in Aldershot, England then on to the continent ending up in Apeldoorn, Holland in 1945. Smart was working as a clerk for RCEME again in September. In a letter written to her sister on September 19, 1945 Astrid writes, "Up until last week we had been in tents, which was rather fun, but it rains so much in this country, that it was very damp and chilly. We used to go to work dressed in battle dress, rubber boots and a ground sheet over our shoulders but now our offices are in a lovely big building, that used to be a priests' school." She was discharged from Apeldoorn, Holland in March 1946 and returned to Canada on the Queen Elizabeth. She went to Hodgson, Manitoba and then to British Columbia. She was postmistress at Copper Mountain and Coal Mont for several years. Astrid resided with her husband in Coal Mont, British Columbia at 'Sanctum'.

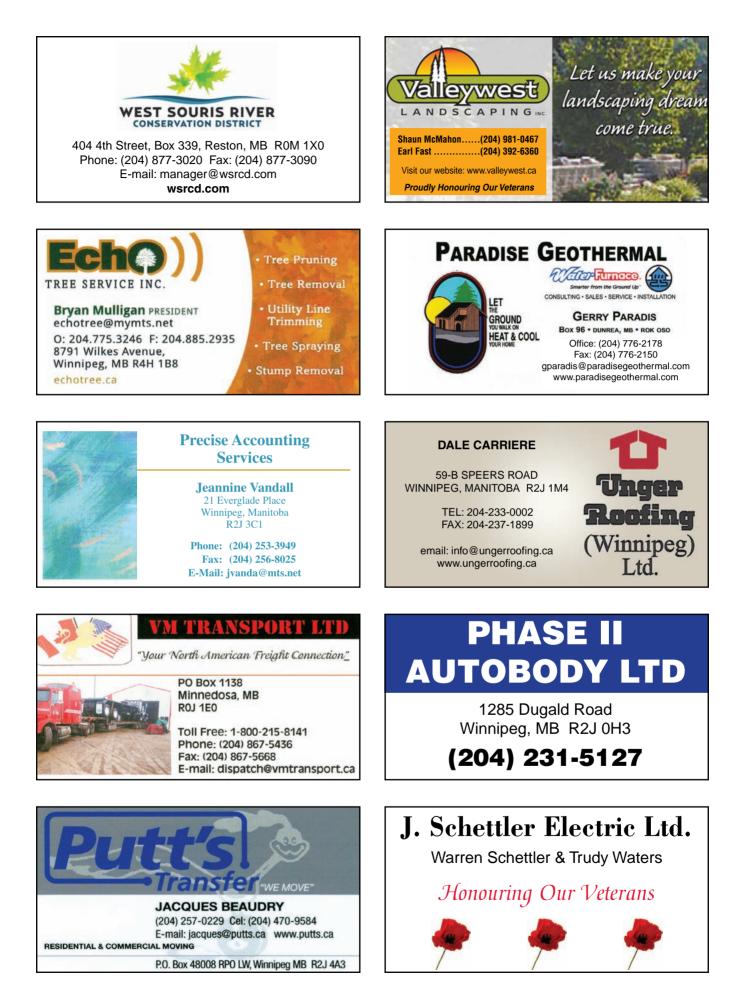




LAVALLEE, Henry Joseph

KOREA

Henry was born on August 8, 1932 to Victor and Louise Lavallee in Portage la Prairie, Manitoba. He joined the Army in the division of PPCLI in Winnipeg in 1951. He trained in Winnipeg and Currie Headquarters in Calgary, going overseas in 1952 to Korea. The 2PPCLI fought within the Royal Australian Regiment and in the fall of 1952, occupied Hill 355 known as Little Gibraltar. Private Lavallee was killed in action on July 19, 1953 just prior to the signing of the Armistice on July 27, 1953. He is buried at the United Nations Cemetery in Busan, South Korea. He is on the Korean War Memorial Wall at the Meadowvale Cemetery in Brampton, Ontario.







LAWTON, Dan

WWII

Dan was born in Bridgend, Wales in 1922 and worked on the family farm in the Bagot, Manitoba area. He joined the Army in March 1941, training in Portage la Prairie, Manitoba with 100th Basic Unit for eighteen months. Dan was appointed an instructor in Portage la Prairie because of previous experience. He trained in Shilo, Manitoba then trained at the Advanced Training Centre in Winnipeg. Dan trained and then instructed in Mountain Warfare, becoming Captain at Victoria, British Columbia. He graduated at the Officer Training School in August 1943. Dan served in England, Holland and Germany and was discharged in February 1946.

WWII

LAWTON, Elizabeth "Betty"

Betty was raised on a farm in the Bagot, Manitoba area. She joined the Canadian Women's Army Corps. She trained in Ottawa and Kitchener, Ontario in the Postal Corps.





LAWTON, John Thomas

WWI & WWII

John was born in England in 1889 and was raised on the family farm in the Bagot, Manitoba area. He served with the British Army in World War I with the Kings Liverpool Regiment and the Royal Army Medical Corps. He joined the Canadian Army in World War II and was with the Military Police in Portage la Prairie and Shilo, Manitoba. John passed away in 1963.



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LELLIOTT, Edward E.

WWI

Edward was born in Camberwell, London, England on June 17, 1888. He enlisted in the Army with the Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders. He served in England and France with the 43rd Battalion, Canadian Overseas Expeditionary Force during World War I. Edward passed away on January 8, 1935.

LEMON, Donald J.

PEACETIME

Donald was born in Kegworth, Saskatchewan in 1941. He joined in 1961 and served on RCAF stations Edgar, Holberg, Clinton, Falconbridge and Gypsumville; CF Bases Kingston, Cold Lake and Winnipeg. He was stationed at 4 Wing Germany and Gander, NL. Donald retired in 1996 as Chief Warrant Officer. He was awarded the Canadian Forces' Decoration 2, NATO Ribbon and the Confederation Medal. Donald is a 32-year member of The Royal Canadian Legion Amherstview Branch 631 and Carman Legion Branch 18.





LINDGREN, Brian Earl

AFGHANISTAN

Brian was born on February 24, 1980 in Winnipeg, Manitoba. He went to school at Kildonan East Collegiate. In 2001, Brian joined the Royal Winnipeg Rifles a famous Reserve Infantry Regiment stationed at Minto Armoury. He completed basic training at Minto Armoury and then completed advanced infantry training at an Infantry Battle School conducted by 2 PPCLI at Kapyong Barracks and CFB Shilo. In 2002, Brian was attached to 1 PPCLI and completed a six month tour in Bosnia-Herzegovina as part of the United Nations Protection Force (UNPROFOR). In 2006, Brian joined the RCAF as a Met Tech (Meteorology Technician) completing his trade training at the CF School of Meteorology at RCAF 17 Wing in Winnipeg. In 2008, he completed his first seven-month tour in Afghanistan attached to the B Battery, 1 RCHA. Brian completed a second eight-month tour in Afghanistan attached to D Battery, 2 RCHA as the Meteorology Detachment Commander in 2010. Brian was honourably discharged in 2014. He has been a member of the Henderson Highway Legion Branch 215 for three years.







LINNELL, Stephen Robert

WWII

Stephen was born in 1924 in the RM of Roblin, Manitoba. He was only nineteen years old when he left his home in Cartwright, Manitoba and enlisted at Fort Osborne Barracks in Winnipeg on November 17, 1943. His basic training began at the barracks in Winnipeg and included training in Shilo, MB and Woodstock, ON.

In June 1944, Stephen left Canada on the Lord Nelson sailing towards England. It was in Aldershot, England where Stephen joined the Queens Own Cameron Highlanders and leaving Aldershot on a small boat destined for Dieppe, France. Stephen's unit joined the fight just a couple of weeks after D-Day with the objective to overtake the trenches in Normandy. Never staying in one place more than a night, the Highlanders and the Allied soldiers had the Germans on the run and it was during this time that Stephen suffered his first injuries where a metal striker from an antipersonnel mine passed through his eyelid. Treated at a nearby hospital, Stephen continued on with his unit.

In the spring of 1945, while crossing the Rhine River into Germany, near the town of Calcar, a German sniper ended Stephen's tour of duty with a bullet to the left arm. Stephen rehabilitated at Convalescent Hospital (east of London) and after the war was shipped back to Deer Lodge Hospital in Winnipeg, spending a further eight months in rehabilitation.

Stephen's war decorations include: 1939-1945 Star, France and Germany Star, Canadian Volunteer Service Medal and 1939-1945 War Medal.

Stephen returned to Cartwright, MB where he and his wife raised their family. Being a member of The Royal Canadian Legion for eighty years and holding Branch President and Zone 35 Commander for MBNWO for some of those years, Stephen continued to serve. Stephen passed away on February 13, 2018 at the age of 93.

LLOYD, Glen J.

PEACETIME

Glen was born in MacGregor, Manitoba on the winter solstice 1956. He joined the Air Cadets in Portage and earned his Flying Scholarship. As soon as the flight training was done, he left the family farm and went to Boot Camp in Cornwallis, NS and then to Borden to complete Aero Engine training. First base was CFB Southport and then a NATO posting to CFB Baden, Germany. At this time, he married an Admin type. He went back to CFB Winnipeg when he remustered to Flight Engineer and flew the Dakota into history. He then went away to CFB Edmonton in 447 Squadron flying the Chinook helicopter and retired that bird. He then went to 408 Squadron to retire the Huey helicopter. After twenty years Glen retired as well. Glen received the Canadian Forces' Decoration and the Special Service Medal (NATO). He then bought an ultra-lite aircraft and crashed it on the first flight which put him into a wheelchair for the rest of his life.







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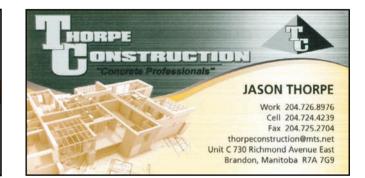
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LLOYD-RANDALL, Sharon Elizabeth

WWI

PEACETIME

Sharon was born in Hamilton, Ontario on Boxing Day 1955. She joined the Canadian Forces as a Metals Tech in 1975. Following basic training at Cornwallis, Sharon trade reassigned to Administration Clerk. After trades training at CFSAL Borden, she was posted to CFS Barrington, NDHQ Ottawa and CFB Lahr. While in Germany, Sharon met and married Glen Lloyd. Posted to CFB Winnipeg in 1984, Glen remustered while they were in Winnipeg to Flight Engineer and was posted to 447 Squadron after training. One year later, Sharon followed with a posting to CFB Edmonton. Sharon retired in 1995 as a Sergeant after twenty years of service. She received the Canadian Forces' Decoration and Special Service Medal (NATO). She has been a member of The Royal Canadian Legion since 1998, currently at Branch 065, Portage la Prairie and has served on the executive.

LYLE, George E.

George was born in Hannah, North Dakota, USA in 1892. He enlisted in the Army and served in World War I. He was a member of The Royal Canadian Legion Oxdrift Branch 41. George passed away in 1938.





MABB, Herbert Sr. "Bert"

WWI

Private Herbert Mabb Sr. joined the 221st Battalion in Winnipeg, around 1915. He went overseas and was in the 78th Battalion while in England and Continental Europe. He was taken Prisoner of War in Germany. The first page of a diary he kept was dated 1918. It was written in pencil and very small so is almost impossible to read. Private Herbert Mabb was wounded in his hip with shrapnel. There were five Mabb brothers, their brother-in-law and one nephew overseas during 1914 to 1918 and they all returned safely. Three of them were in Halifax when their mother died. Unfortunately, she did not live to see them return.







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MACHAN, Leslie David

WWI

Leslie was born in Bagot, Manitoba in 1895 and worked as a fireman for the Grand Truck Railroad. He joined the Army in 1914 in Brandon, Manitoba sailing to England in May 1915 on the SS Carpathia. Leslie was a Private with 27th Battalion by September 1915. He served in England and Belgium and was sent to France in March 1918. Leslie was wounded in the thigh, wrist and back by an accidental ricochet bullet in Belgium in November 1915. He was awarded the Good Conduct Badge. Leslie sailed to Halifax after the war in December 1918 on the HMHS Olympic. He married Myrtle Louise Dunsmore on November 4, 1920. He passed away on December 14, 1963 and is buried in the Kelowna Memorial Park Cemetery in Kelowna, BC.

WWII

MACKIE, Charley

Private Charley Mackie, son of Jack and Sarah Mackie of Fisherton, enlisted in the Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders in October 1940. He joined up at the same time as Cyril Stodgell. Charley trained at Fort Osborne Barracks and went overseas with B Company, Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders in 1941. When stationed at Worthing, England Charley met Walter Imlah. He served in England and France. He took part in the Dieppe Raid on August 19, 1942; the battle in which many were killed and many soldiers were taken Prisoners of War. Charley also took part at the Battle of Normandy on June 6, 1944, D-Day. He continued fighting with the Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders until he was killed in action in August 1944 in France.





MALCOWICH, William "Bill"

WWII

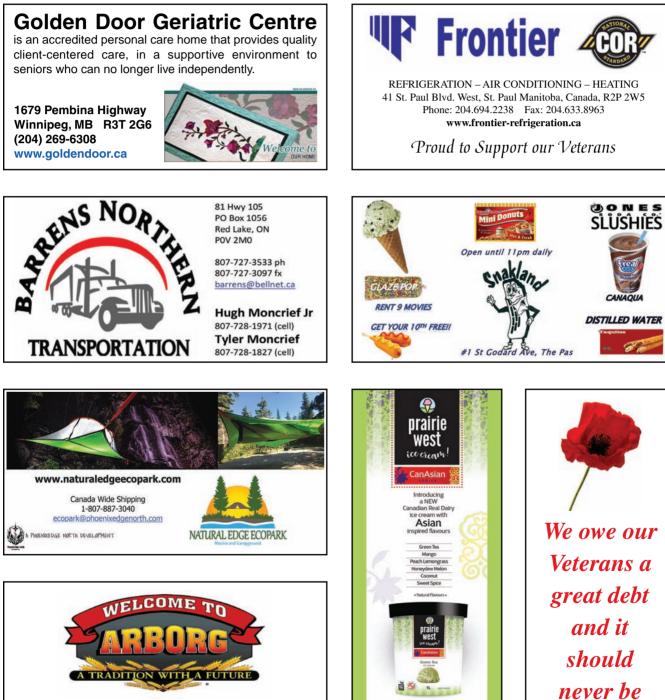
Bill enlisted in the Canadian Armed Forces (active) on February 22, 1945 in Winnipeg, Manitoba. He acquired his basic training at Fort Osborne Barracks. He was granted an honourable discharge on January 17, 1946 after the end of World War II having served with the Canadian Infantry Rifle Corps. After his discharge he returned to work on the family farm. He later resumed his work at the mines in Uranium City until his accidental death in 1957. He received the War Medal and the 1939-1945 Star for his service during World War II.





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MALOFIE, Daniel

WWII

Daniel was born in Winnipeg on August 17, 1910. He received his education in Winnipeg became a School teacher and taught locally until he enlisted in the Army in January 1941. Daniel took training at Brandon, Carberry, Regina, Portage la Prairie, Paulson and Rivers. While in training at Portage la Prairie Flying School he won the Proficiency Award. He graduated as a sergeant from Paulson School. Daniel was the first Fisher Branch resident to graduate in the RCAF. In November 1941 he was sent overseas to serve with the RCAF in England. He was reported missing over Holland on July 2, 1942 while on a bombing mission. He was later officially presumed dead. He served as a Pilot Officer during World War II. In a quote from the Winnipeg Free Press at this time: "Pilot Officer Malofie was listed as missing after air operations in the 313th casualty list released by the RCAF from Ottawa". Ten airmen including Dan Malofie are interred at Eenrum (Westernieland) General Cemetery, Province of Groningen, Holland. The graves are in a prominent position in a "Pelouse d'honneur" created by the local people in the centre of the cemetery.



MAMALICK, Nick

Nick joined the Army in Manitoba in 1943. He was sent to Dartmouth, Nova Scotia for some time. He was discharged for medical reasons. Nick lived in Hodgson and Fisher Branch. He is deceased.



MANNINGWAY, Thomas Edwin "Tom"

WWII

WWII

Tom joined the Canadian Army (Active) on April 9, 1942. He served in the United Kingdom and Continental Europe during World War II with the Winnipeg Light Infantry. He received his discharge on January 15, 1946 at No.10 District Depot. He received the 1939-1945 Star, the France and Germany Star, the Defence Medal and the Canadian Volunteer Service Medal and Clasp.



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MARYCH, Fred

WWII

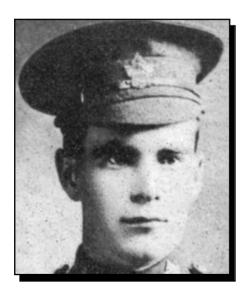
Fred enlisted in 1941 to "A" Co. RWR and went overseas in the fall of that year. He landed on D-Day with the Royal Winnipeg Rifles with "A" Co. He was taken prisoner on June 8, 1944 and reported missing in August 1944. From information taken from the June 1989 issue of the RWR Association Book, "The Devil Blast": RFN Fred Marych was listed as one of a group of eighteen unarmed Canadian Prisoners of War who was murdered under the direction of Kurt Meyer while he was a prisoner at Le Chateau D'Andieu in the Normandy Beach-Head on June 7 to 8, 1944. General Kurt Meyer was charged under the War Crime Act. He was imprisoned in New Brunswick and returned to Germany, was released and died several years ago.

WWII

MASON, David

David was born in 1913 and lived in the Bagot, Manitoba area, joining the Army in December 1942 in Winnipeg. He served with the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry, training at the Canadian Infantry Training Centre in Shilo, Manitoba. In February 1943, he was with B Company and then served with the Royal Winnipeg Rifles in May 1943. David sailed from Halifax for England in June 1943. He was part of the D-Day invasion on June 6, 1944 and became a Lance Corporal on June 15, 1944. He was a sniper for part of the war serving in England, France and Holland. David died of his wounds on February 21, 1945 and is buried at the Groesbeek Canadian War Cemetery in Holland.

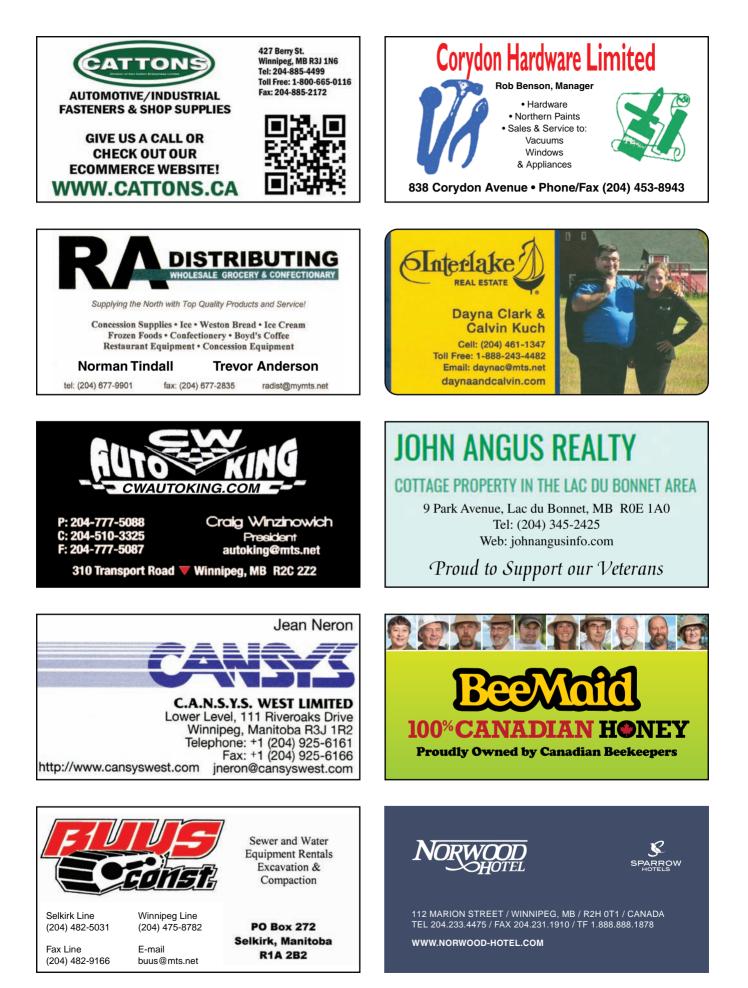




MATTHEWS, Claude Elliott

WWI

Claude was born in Durham, Ontario in 1894 and farmed in Bagot, Manitoba. He served one year with the 18th Mounted Rifles before joining the Army in January 1916 in Portage la Prairie, Manitoba. Claude trained at Camp Hughes Manitoba by June 1916. He sailed from Canada for England on the SS Olympic in December 1916. Claude had the mumps in Aldershot, England in February 1917. He served in England and Belgium and was a Private with 27th Battalion (Manitoba Regiment) when he was sent to France in June 1917. Claude was killed in action in the Battle of Passchendaele near Rouen, France on November 6, 1917. He was awarded the British War Medal and Victory Medal. Claude's name is mentioned at the Menin Gate Memorial Panels 24-30 near Ypres, Belgium.







MAYER, Arthur

WWII

Arthur was raised in Fisher Branch, the son of the late Louis and Angelena Mayer. He joined the service as a private in Winnipeg in January 1942 with the Royal Canadian Artillery. He was given an honourable discharge that same year due to loss of eyesight in one eye. He retired and lived in Winnipeg. Arthur was an active member of A.N.A.F., Assiniboia Unit 283. Arthur had three brothers who were also in the service, Henry, Leo and Nelson.

WWI

McBAIN, Daniel

Daniel was born in Portage la Prairie, Manitoba in 1894 and was a gasoline engineer from the Bagot, Manitoba area. He joined the Army in April 1916 in Winnipeg, sailing from Halifax to Liverpool, England on the SS Olympic in 1916. Daniel was a Sergeant with the 1st Canadian Engineer Battalion. He had influenza in England in October 1916 and encountered gas from a shell near Boulogne, France in August 1918. He was discharged on July 16, 1919. Daniel married Annie Gilmour Reid on July 15, 1920 in Winnipeg.





McDONALD, Hartley Baird

WWII

Hartley was born on the family farm in Flee Island, Manitoba on September 21, 1903. He worked as a Grain Elevator Agent before the war. Some of the towns he worked in were MacDonald, High Bluff and Inglis, Manitoba as well as in Saskatchewan. Hartley was living in Inglis when he enlisted in the RCAF in 1942. He and the family then moved to High Bluff. Hartley was an Aircraft Mechanic and was stationed in Yorkton, Saskatchewan when he was badly injured. While he was attempting to turn a propeller on an aircraft, the pilot inadvertently left the ignition on. This resulted in his hand being so badly damaged that it ended his career as a mechanic. He spent a long time in Deer Lodge Hospital in Winnipeg. Hartley served at Southport, Manitoba for a time before being discharged in 1944 because of his injury. After the war, he returned to being a Grain Elevator Agent as well as farming after purchasing land. Hartley passed away in Portage la Prairie, Manitoba on November 16, 1995.







McDONALD, J. Campbell

WWII

Campbell, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Allan McDonald of Hodgson, was born in Clandeboye, Manitoba and received his education in Hodgson. He enlisted in the Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders in January 1943. He received his training at Camp Shilo, Manitoba and Woodstock, Ontario; proceeding overseas in October 1944. He served in Holland and Germany. Official word of his death was reported on March 8. He had been killed in action in Germany.

WWII

McIVOR, Rodrick "Roddy"

Rodrick was born on November 11, 1918. He joined active service with the Royal Canadian Artillery in the beginning of 1940. He remained in the Army until his honourable discharge in the spring of 1944. Rodrick then went twelve miles northwest of Hodgson, Manitoba to his father's and mother's homestead to help with the farming. He also cut a lot of saw logs, pulpwood and spruce cordwood. He later married Julie Cote and they had eight children. The children went to grade VIII in Hodgson and then to High School in Fisher Branch. Rodrick worked on the farm with his wife and family until his death at Fisher Branch Hospital.

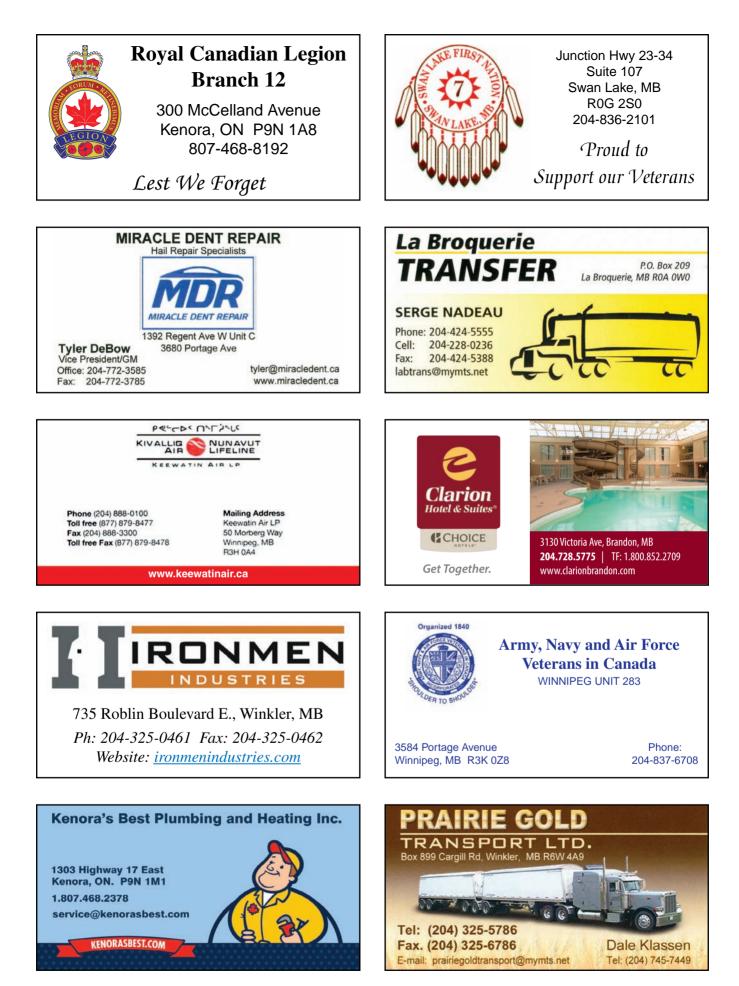




McKAY, Douglas George

WWII

Douglas was born in Portage la Prairie, Manitoba on February 16, 1920 and lived on a farm in the Bagot, Manitoba area. He joined the Royal Canadian Air Force on September 2, 1941 in Winnipeg. Douglas trained in MacDonald, Manitoba and Saskatoon, Saskatchewan and graduated as an Air Gunner in October 1942. He was a Flight Sergeant serving in England with the #403 (Goose) Squadron. Douglas was on a bombing mission to Aachen, Germany on a Halifax aircraft. He and the crewmen were reported missing and presumed killed on July 14, 1943. Douglas is buried at the Tilburg General Cemetery in Holland and is acknowledged at the Hillside Cemetery in Portage la Prairie. McKay Creek is named after him in northern Manitoba.







McKENZIE, Lorne Kenneth "Kenny"

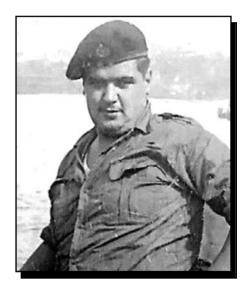
KOREA

WWII

Kenneth was born to Hugh McKenzie and Florence Baxendale in Brandon, Manitoba on June 16, 1919. He originally enlisted on September 25, 1940 with the Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders in Portage la Prairie and then with the Lord Strathcona's Horse in March 1941. He received his training at Listowel and Camp Borden before proceeding overseas in November 1941. After further training in Africa in 1942, the Canadian Corps landed in Italy where they smashed the Hitler Line. Kenneth was killed in action on May 30, 1944 in the Liri Valley, following the Battle of Torrice Crossroads. He was initially buried at Torrice Crossroads Cemetery but was reburied in 1948 at the Cassino Military Cemetery, Cassino, Italy in Plot 5, Row K, Grave 17. McKenzie Hill in the Lynn Lake area is named in his honour. His medals include the Canadian Volunteer Service Medal and Clasp, 1939-1945 Star, Italy Star, Defence Medal, and War Medal. Kenneth's mother Mrs. Florence McKenzie received the Memorial Cross.

McKENZIE, Norman Leland R. R.

Norman, the son of Angus and Helen (Sayese) McKenzie, was born in Flin Flon, Manitoba on November 7, 1930. He enlisted on September 20, 1950 and served in Korea with the Lord Strathcona Tank Corp from 1950 to 1952. He was discharged on October 1, 1952. He married Lena Rempel on October 12, 1957 and they had two children Sandra and David. Norman was a 35-year member of The Royal Canadian Legion Flin Flon Branch 73 from July 1, 1957 until he passed away in November 1992.





McKENZIE, Ronald James

PEACETIME

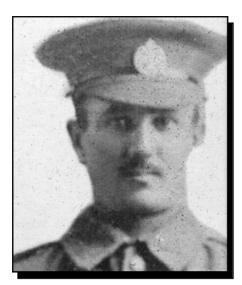
Ronald was born in Flin Flon, Manitoba on December 14, 1936, the son of Angus and Helen (Sayese) McKenzie. He enlisted on November 7, 1954 and served in Germany with the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry during peacetime from 1955 to 1957. He was discharged on November 17, 1957. Ronald married Alta Qualie on August 2, 1958 and they had four children, Robert, Leonard, Rena and Lori. He was a member of The Royal Canadian Legion Branch 73 in Flin Flon from July 1974 until he passed away in August 1992.



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McKENZIE, Samuel

WWI

Samuel was born in Aberdeen, Scotland in 1879 and was a teamster from Bagot, Manitoba. He joined the Army in April 1916 in Winnipeg, sailing from Halifax on the SS Missanabie in October 1916. This ship was later torpedoed on September 9, 1918. Samuel was originally with the 2nd Battalion Rifle Brigade as a Private, then with the 1st Canadian Mounted Rifles serving in England and was sent to France in December 1916. He was reported missing in April 1917, however he returned to his unit. Samuel was killed in action on October 26, 1917 at Rouen, France. His name is listed at the Menin Gate (Ypres) Memorial in Belgium.

WWII

McNAUGHTON, Donald

Corporal Donald McNaughton enlisted in Winnipeg in the Army on September 6, 1939. He joined the Active Canadian Army with the Royal Canadian Corps of Signals. Don served in Canada, the United Kingdom and Continental Europe. He received the 1939-1945 Star, the France and Germany Star, the Canadian Volunteer Service Medal and Clasp and the Defence Medal. Donald was discharged from the Service on 'demobilization' on December 11, 1945. After the war Donald moved to Fisher Branch where he remained until his death.





McNAUGHTON, Gary C.

PEACETIME

Gary joined the Royal Canadian Air Force on January 7, 1954 and served in Quebec, Ontario, Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, in addition to four years overseas at Grostenquin, France. His service career was dedicated to Aircraft Maintenance and he worked on many different aircrafts such as Harvards, F86 Sabre Fighters, DC3, Bristol Freighters, C130's, Sea King Helicopters and Aurora A/C. After serving for thirty years, five months, Gary retired from the Canadian Air Force, Air Command Headquarters in Winnipeg, Manitoba on May 12, 1988. He was awarded the Canadian Forces Decoration and Clasp and Queen's Jubilee Medals. After service, Gary worked as the Owner/Operator of Camp Hide-away Resort at Lac du Bonnet, Manitoba.



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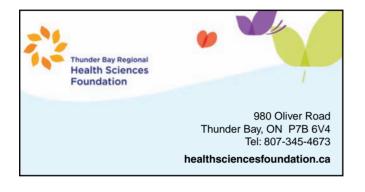
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McPHERSON, Graham Edward

PEACETIME

Corporal Graham McPherson joined the military in 1962 and served with the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry. He served in Cyprus and West Germany. He was killed on March 1, 1970 in a military accident.

MENARD, Lucien A.

WWII

Lucien had one month training in September 1939. Shortly after his release he went to the mines. Lucien left the mines to join the Royal Canadian Air Force at the old Lindsay Building in June 1941. He went to the Manning Depot, Brandon and from there he transferred to McLeod, Alberta, No. 7 Flying School in 1942. In the spring of April 1943 he was posted overseas. They sailed on the Empress of Scotland to Liverpool and from there they went to Bournemouth. Lucien was then assigned to No. 6 Bombing Group in Yorkshire, England and Lemington No. 63 Base. His first leave was in London and Sheffield, it was guite scary at times as they had to spend a lot of time at night in the air raid shelters. From there he went on to Scotland where he met Phyllis who he married in July 1945. Lucien met Phyllis in Glasgow, Scotland at the Central Station. He had been on nine days leave from England. They had nine days of leave every three months so that is where he spent his leaves in Scotland from then on. Lucien was repatriated to Canada in March 1946 and was discharged on July 8, 1946 having served as Leading Aircraftman. Phyllis came to Canada by train from Halifax to the CPR Station in Winnipeg in July 1946.





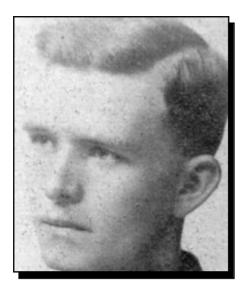
MESSENGER, Harry

WWI

Harry was born in Henley-on-Thames, England in 1883 and farmed in the Bagot, Manitoba area. He joined the Army in November 1915 in Winnipeg. Harry had influenza in March 1916 while training in Canada. He sailed from Halifax in October 1916 on the HMT Saxonia. Harry was a Private with the 44th Battalion until May 1918 then with the Canadian Machine Gun Corps. He served in England and was sent to France in January 1917. He had scabies and pneumonia while serving in France and was severely wounded with a gunshot to his shoulder in May 1917 at Lens, France. Harry also had a gunshot wound to his calf in September 1918. He was awarded the Good Conduct Badge. After the war, he sailed to Halifax in January 1919 on the RMS Aquitania. Harry was discharged on February 27, 1919.







MITCHELL, Arthur Thomas

WWI

Arthur was born in Portage la Prairie, Manitoba in 1893 and was a machinist from the Bagot, Manitoba area. He joined the Army in September 1914 in Valcartier, Quebec sailing from Canada for England in October 1914. Arthur was a Corporal with the 8th Battalion serving in England, France and Belgium. He suffered a minor gas attack in April 1915. Arthur was wounded at Ypres, Belgium by shrapnel in the foot and thigh, also suffering a concussion in May 1915. He suffered a nervous breakdown (shell shock), and was sent back to Canada to recover. Arthur was discharged in January 1916 but re-enlisted with the Royal Air Force as a chauffeur. His nervous condition re-occurred, forcing him to be discharged again in January 1916. Arthur passed away on October 3, 1919 and is buried in St. Boniface, Manitoba.

WWI

MOULAND, Wilfred

Wilfred was born in 1893 in Otterbury, England and was a blacksmith from the Bagot, Manitoba area. He joined the Army in November 1915 in Brandon, Manitoba, sailing from Canada for Liverpool, England on the RMS Lapland in April 1916. Wilfred was a Private with the 1st Canada Mounted Rifles (Saskatchewan Regiment), serving in England and was sent to France in June 1916. He was killed in action in Vimy on April 10, 1917 in Arras, France and is buried at Cabaret-Rouge British Cemetery in Pas-de-Calais, France. He received the British War Medal and the Victory Medal. Wilfred's mother, Mrs. Emma Mouland received the Memorial Cross.





MUNRO, Alexander

WWI

Alexander was born in Gourdon, Scotland in 1890 and was a farmer from the Bagot, Manitoba area. He joined the Army with the 174th Battalion in October 1916 in Winnipeg, sailing from Halifax for Liverpool, England on the SS Olympic in April 1917. Alexander was a Private with the 16th Battalion serving in England, France and Belgium. He was sent to France in August 1917 where he suffered a gunshot wound to the arm in February 1918. After the war Alexander sailed home on the SS Olympic in January 1919.







MUNRO, James Robert "Bob"

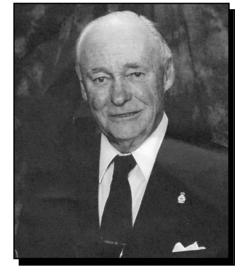
BOER WAR & WWI

Bob Munro served during the Boer War and World War I. He was in the Army for 21 years. He spent his time as a cook. He was married while he was in South Africa. His wife died on the way back to Canada after the war. Following the War he cooked for a number of years at Tom Menard's Hotel in Fisher Branch. He then lived with Mr. Frederick Kilby until 1944 when Mr. Kilby passed away. Bob then moved to Winnipeg where he lived, with Phil and Violet Gard until his death in 1968 at the age of 92.

MURRAY, Charles Gordon

Charles was born in Carman, Manitoba in 1925. He enlisted in the Air Force during World War II. He served in Canada as a Supply Clerk to make sure the soldiers had the proper equipment. He was awarded the Canadian Volunteer Service Medal. He was a member of The Royal Canadian Legion Carman Branch 18 for over thirty years. Charles passed away in 2008.

WWII

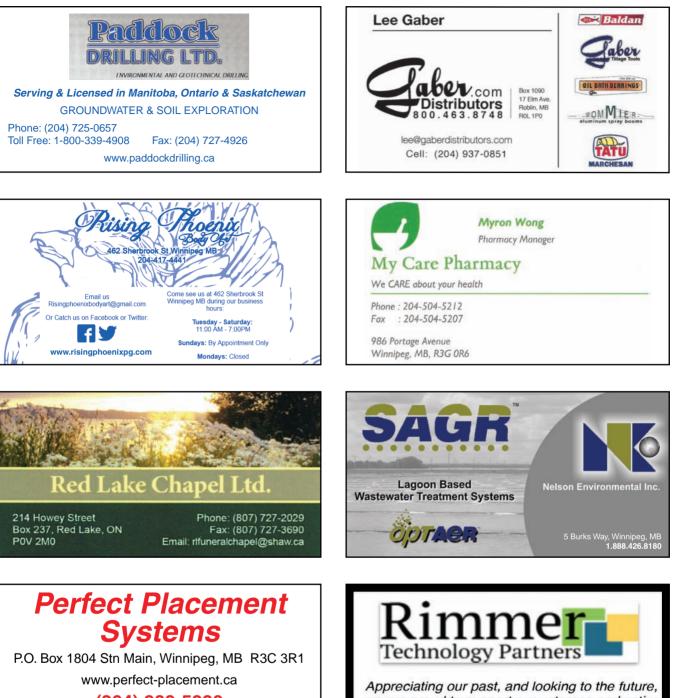




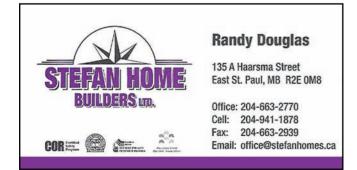
NAHULIAK, Joe

WWII

Joe was called to the army on June 19, 1941 and enlisted to active service on May 8, 1942 with the Winnipeg Grenadiers Regiment and the Army Ordnance Corps. He served in Canada during World War II. He took basic training at Fort Osborne Barracks and went from there to Portage la Prairie. He took a mechanic and driving course at Woodstock, Ontario and from there went to Three Rivers, Quebec. He joined active service from Three Rivers and went to Terrace, British Columbia. The Grenadiers went overseas but Joe was not fit to go overseas so he joined the Army Ordnance Corps. He moved to Vancouver and then Vernon, British Columbia; then to Alaska on guard duty, then back to Vancouver, Calgary, Shilo and then back to Winnipeg for an honourable discharge on August 31, 1945. After service, he got married in Winnipeg and moved to Hodgson, Manitoba. He farmed for twelve years then moved to New Westminster, British Columbia. Joe worked as a longshoreman for 25 years and lived in Port Coquitlam, British Columbia with his wife, Mamie. He was the first steward at The Royal Canadian Legion Hodgson Branch 158.



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NAULT, Albert

WWII

Albert Nault enlisted on April 13, 1942. He trained with the Royal Winnipeg Rifles at Fort Garry and Fort Osborne Barracks. He had advance training at Shilo, Manitoba. He then served with the 1st Garrison Battalion, guarding the Welland and Chippawa Canals as Rifleman. He advanced for medical training at Camp Borden, Ontario and later served under General Foulkes in the 5th Division with the Royal Canadian Medical Corp. He served in Italy, France, Belgium and Holland. He also served in Canada, the United Kingdom, the Central Mediterranean area and Continental Europe. Albert received his discharge on March 27, 1946. He received the 1939-1945 Star, the Italy Star, the France and Germany Star and the Canadian Volunteer Service Medal and Clasp.

WWII

NAULT, Arthur

Arthur Nault was born on March 28, 1921 in Broad Valley, Manitoba. He enlisted on May 22, 1942 at Winnipeg. He served in Canada, Kiska, Britain and Northwest Europe. Arthur received an honourable discharge on March 21, 1946 in Winnipeg with the rank of Private. Arthur received the 1939-1945 Star, the France and Germany Star, the Defence Medal, the Canadian Volunteer Service Medal with Clasp and the War Medal 1939-1945.





NAULT, Louis

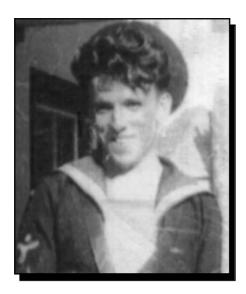
WWI

Louis Nault was born on August 28, 1896 in St. Pierre, Manitoba. He joined the 1st Depot Battalion out of Winnipeg and served in the army with the 8th Canadian Battalion in France and England. Private Louis Nault was discharged in Winnipeg on January 7, 1918. He passed away at the Health Science Centre in Winnipeg on February 19, 1981.



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NAZAR, Fredrick "Fred"

WWII

Fred was born in Poland in 1925. He moved to Canada with his family when he was three years old living a few miles south of Portage la Prairie, Manitoba.

Fred enlisted in the Canadian Navy in Hamilton, Ontario in 1943. He did basic training in Hamilton then was sent to Halifax.

His first ship was the HMCS Bayfield, an escort Bangor class minesweeper. Fred was part of the escorts along Newfoundland, Halifax and Boston for four to five months.

He took part in the second largest convoy to cross the ocean, there was up to two hundred freighters. U-boats sunk five ships which included the loss of one hundred army tanks. Fred worked in the engine (boiler) room as well as helping with other duties. The convoy

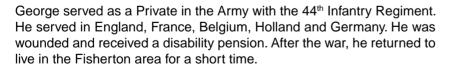
stopped at the Azores to refuel, then on to Plymouth and Portsmouth, England.

Fred and crew started practicing mine sweeping just four months before the Normandy invasion, with 109 crew members on board. He and the crew stopped at ports all along the British Isles. They were the only ship with radar at the time. Fred and crew was a half mile from the French coast just four hours before the D-Day invasion.

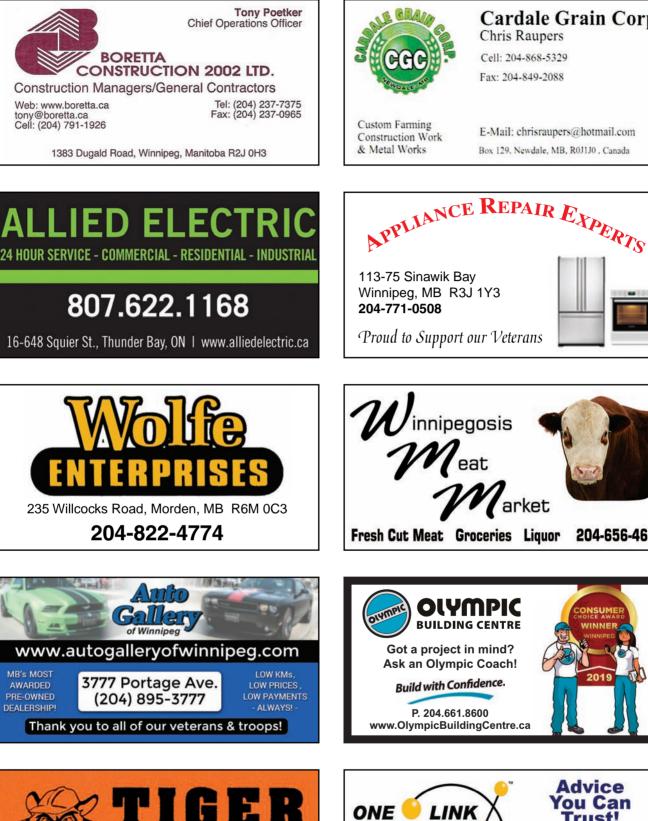
They were sent back to England because of bad weather. Shortly after they were informed the invasion was on. Fred participated in the invasion helping to rescue survivors and searching for U-boats. They unofficially had three U-boat kills. Their ship, being almost hit by a torpedo on two occasions missing only by ten feet. Fred was in Plymouth at the end of a war he didn't expect to survive.

NEWCOMBE, George

WWI







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O'KELLY, Christopher Patrick John WWI Port Arthur soldier did his part in France BY TORY TRONRUD



C.P.J. O'Kelly, right, can be seen here in the trenches of France in 1917. For bravery, while fighting for our own 52nd (New Ontario) Battalion at the Battle of Passchendaele, he was awarded the Victoria Cross, the highest military honour.

The official citation in the honours and awards book of the 52nd (New Ontario) Battalion, dated October 26, 1917, states the facts with blunt directness:

"Captain O'Kelly led his company with extraordinary skill and determination while advancing over 1,000 yards against the enemy under heavy fire without any artillery barrage. He took the enemy positions on a hill by storm and then personally organized and led a series of attacks against machine gun pill boxes."

"His company alone captured 10 machine guns and more than 100 prisoners. Later under the leadership of this gallant officer, his company repelled a strong counter attack, taking more prisoners."

"That night his company captured a hostile raiding party consisting of one officer and 10 men and a machine gun."

The entry refers to his bravery in action near Passchendaele that day. An adjoining column in the book states that he received the Victoria Cross for his actions, the highest military honour a soldier of this country can receive.



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O'KELLY, Christopher Patrick John (continued)

Christopher Patrick John O'Kelly was born in Winnipeg in 1896 and was an undergraduate at St. John's College in that city, when he signed up for service in 1916 with the 144th Battalion. When that unit was placed on reserves, Lieutenant O'Kelly was transferred to the 52nd in early 1917, reaching the front in France in March of that year. The allied objective in the autumn 1917 offensive was to capture Passchendaele Ridge, but it was not an easy campaign. The weather was against them - it rained almost incessantly turning the battlefields into mire. Trenches were washed out and shell holes became deep pools ready to drown a sodden soldier.

The battle lines were formed early in the morning of October 26 in preparation for the main attack, but unfortunately it was raining both water and shells from German artillery; enemy planes had spotted them some fifteen minutes before the advance commenced.

The Canadians were expected to take Bellevue Spur. In the cellars of the town of Bellevue, whose inhabitants had long since gone, German machine gun emplacements guarded the town, and nearby roads were littered with enemy pillboxes. The 52nd were not in the forefront of the initial siege but when the attack bogged down, the battalion was called into action.

A small group of Canadians from the 58th Battalion were entrenched on the crest of the spur where they had been holding out for four hours. Lt. O'Kelly, commanding 'A' Company of the 52nd, went to their assistance. Covered by the nearby 43rd Battalion, O'Kelly's men advanced over a kilometer through enemy fire before outflanking and scattering the German forces.

He then turned his attention to the pillboxes rushing box after box with remarkable success. His precision and battle skills were unerring.

His success allowed the Canadian line to advance forcing the enemy into retreat.

Considerable ground was gained before the Germans reformed and counterattacked the now thin Canadian line.

O'Kelly defended that line, repelled the attack, and then led his troops in a series of raids against German strong points, paving the way for the next stage of the battle.

O'Kelly, promoted to captain, continued with the 52nd until 1919 when he rejoined the Winnipeg Rifles.

O'Kelly died young. In November 1922, five days short of his 26th birthday, while prospecting south of Red Lake, he and a friend were drowned in a storm on Lac Seul.

His friend's body was discovered on the shore - he had died of exposure - O'Kelly's body was never discovered.

On nearby Goose Bay Island, a cross in his memory was erected by his fellow officers of the Winnipeg Rifles. On it, a plaque read, in part, "Ye who pass this way are asked to care for this monument."

A Cairn erected by the Ear Falls branch of the Legion now stands near the spot.

Christopher Patrick John O'Kelly's Victoria Cross and his Military Cross were later donated to the National Museum in Ottawa where they reside today.

A new book about Thunder Bay and the First World War, recounting the experiences of those from the Lakehead who served either in uniform or on the home front was recently launched and is now available at the Thunder Bay Museum.

Looking Back is written weekly by one of various writers for the Thunder Bay Museum. For further information visit the museum at 425 Donald St. E., or view its website at www.thunderbaymuseum.com.



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O'MALLEY, Jack

WWII

Jack enlisted in the Army in September 1940 in Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders. He was transferred to the Royal Winnipeg Rifles. He served in England, France, Belgium, Holland and Germany as a Private during World War II. Jack was discharged on November 9, 1945. He lived and worked for the city until his retirement.

O'MALLEY, Robert "Bob"

Bob enlisted on October 22, 1942 in No. 10 Canadian Armoured Corps. He served in England, Italy, France, Belgium, Holland and Germany. Bob was discharged on May 29, 1946. He returned to farm in the Fisherton area for a number of years then moved to Winnipeg where he worked for the city until his retirement and death in 1988.







O'MALLEY, Robert Kenyon "Bob" WWI

Bob enlisted with the Winnipeg Grenadiers on January 6, 1916. He spent the winter at Minto Barracks then took his basic training at Camp Hughes, later Camp Shilo. By autumn of 1916 he was in England. He was in France in February 1917. He served with pioneer engineers in trenches all through the war. He was with the 107th Battalion and with the 3rd Battalion, Canadian Engineers. He fought at the battles of Vimy Ridge, the Somme, Passchendaele as well as others. Bob was awarded the Military Medal on August 15, 1918 at Loos where most of the party was killed. This was received for exceptional bravery and coolness in action. He also won the Bar to the Military Medal. He was recommended for the Distinguished Conduct Medal. After armistice Bob was sent to Germany with the army of occupation. This was a time of misery for the Canadians. There was poor food, poor billets, hard marches with full packs, too much polishing of equipment, too much mud and all, far from the "March of Triumph" it was meant to be. Bob returned to Canada and received his honourable discharge on May 8, 1919. Bob passed away on August 6, 1977. He is buried in St. John's Church Cemetery in Fisherton, Manitoba.



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OOMEN, Richard "Dick"

WWII

Dick enlisted in 1939 in the Army with the Winnipeg Grenadiers. He trained in Winnipeg then went to Jamaica. He returned to Canada in 1941 then went to Hong Kong in October 1941. He was taken prisoner in Hong Kong and was a prisoner until the war ended. He returned to Canada and is now deceased. One of Dick's war comrades related that prior to going to Hong Kong - Dick made rings and identification bracelets for his buddies. Of course he sold these. He also remembers Dick as a "huge chap" not afraid of anybody or anything.

PACKULAK, Joseph

Joseph was born on August 7, 1925. He enlisted in the Army at Winnipeg on September 30, 1941 and served in the Aleutian Islands alongside the US forces in 1943. He also served in the United Kingdom, France, Belgium, Holland and Germany as a Gunner. Joseph was awarded the France and Germany Star and the Canadian Volunteer Service Medal and Clasp. He was discharged on February 4, 1946 at the No. 10 District Depot in Winnipeg. Joseph resided in Hammonton, New Jersey, USA.





PAISLEY, Herbert Donton

WWII

WWI

Herbert was born in Sidney, Manitoba in 1891 and farmed in the Bagot, Manitoba area. He joined the Army with the 18th Mounted Rifles, enlisting in November 1915 in Portage la Prairie, Manitoba. Herbert sailed from Canada for England on the SS Olympic in April 1916. Later he became a Lance Corporal with the 8th Battalion (Manitoba Regiment) serving in England and France. Herbert was sent to France in October 1916. He suffered a serious gunshot wound to the leg and a wound to the arm in September 1918 at Rouen, France. Herbert became seriously ill having his leg removed six inches below the knee. His leg then had to be amputated above the knee, he suffered greatly. He was awarded the Good Conduct Badge. Herbert died of his wounds from complications from his leg infection on May 23, 1919 and is buried in Orpington, London, Borough of Bromley. A memorial burial was held at Burnside, Manitoba.







PARK, William Jr. "Bill"

WWII

Bill was born in 1908 in Scotland and came to Canada at the age of thirteen with his parents. They settled in the Elphinstone and then the Shoal Lake District. Bill married Violet Brooks on December 24, 1931 and had two daughters Jacqueline and Marcia. He joined the Army on September 25, 1940 first with the Queens Own Cameron Highlanders as a cook then with the Royal Winnipeg Rifles in the mortar platoon. He served in France, Belgium, Holland and Germany being discharged on January 17, 1946. He returned to his family and they spent the rest of their lives in the Shoal Lake area, where he was a member of The Royal Canadian Legion. He received the Canadian Volunteer Service Medal, 1939-1945 War Medal, the Defence Medal and the France and Germany Star. Bill passed away in 1980.

PARKER-OXLEY, Joseph N.

WWII

Joseph was born in England in 1909. He served in the Royal Air Force during World War II in India with Bomber Command. He was an eight-year member of The Royal Canadian Legion Winnipeg Beach Branch 61. Joseph passed away in 1995.





PAUL, Alexander

Alexander was born in Glasgow, Scotland in 1892 and farmed in the Bagot, Manitoba area. He served with the Royal Engineers for three years and seven months. Alexander enlisted in September 1918 serving in France with the 4th Army Canadian Engineers as a driver. After the war he sailed to Halifax on the SS Belgic. Alexander was discharged on May 1, 1919.

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PELLETIER, Archie Joseph

WWII

WWII

Corporal Archie Pelletier enlisted in the RCAF on August 12, 1941. He first took basic training at Brandon then went to No. 2 Wireless in Calgary. From there his training took him to No. 10 Repair Depot in Edmonton, to the Northwest Territories, Whitehorse, Yukon and to Watson Lake, Yukon. He returned to Manitoba and was stationed at Gimli. He was discharged in 1945. Archie resided in St. George, Manitoba.

PLISHKA, Thomas "Tom"

Tom enlisted in the Royal Canadian Artillery on March 3, 1941 in Winnipeg, Manitoba. He served in England, Italy, France, Belgium, Holland and Germany as a Gunner. He was not wounded during his active service. Tom was discharged on September 12, 1945. His medals included the 1939-1945 Volunteer Star, the Italy Star, the France and Germany Star, the 1939-1945 Defence Medal, the 1939-1945 War Medal and the Canadian Volunteer Service Medal and Clasp. Tom passed away on September 6, 1962.

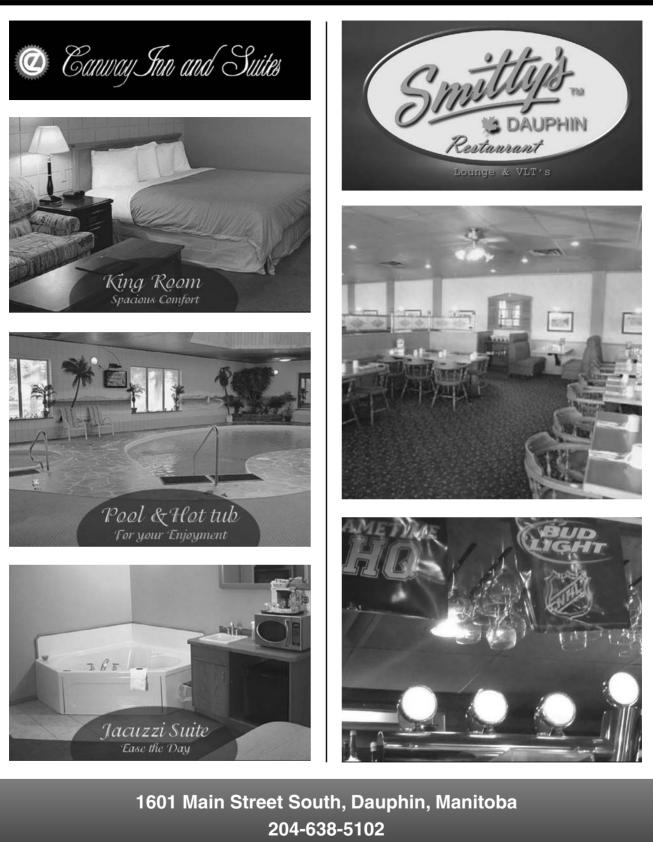




POOLE, Howard

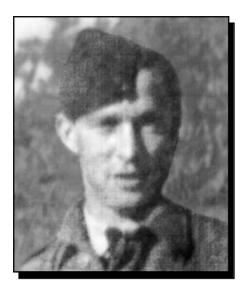
WWII

Howard was from Bagot, Manitoba, enlisting on December 9, 1942 in Winnipeg. He was a Trooper with the #10DD Canadian Armoured Corps serving in Canada. He was discharged on March 30, 1946.



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POOLE, Joseph Leslie

WWII

Leslie was from the Bagot and Portage la Prairie, Manitoba area. He joined the Army on June 18, 1941 becoming a motorcycle dispatch rider until February 14, 1942. Joseph then transferred to regular Army as a private, serving in the United Kingdom and Northern Europe. He was wounded in Belgium on September 26, 1944. Joseph was discharged on September 26, 1945 in Winnipeg.

PORCINA, Paul

WWII

Paul enlisted to the services in Canada and went overseas in 1940 with the Royal Canadian Army Service Corps, 1st Division. He was on active duty in England and Scotland, also North Africa, Sicily, Belgium and Holland. He returned to Winnipeg, Manitoba in November 1945 then transferred to the Royal Canadian Engineers and served for five years in Winnipeg and Churchill, Manitoba. Paul transferred to the Royal Canadian Ordnance Corps in 1950. He served in Canada for one year then went to Germany for two years. He returned to Canada in 1952 and lived in Regina, Saskatchewan for two years. In 1954, he returned to Germany and his family joined him. For two years, Paul was at many different camps. He returned to Canada in 1956 and was stationed in Edmonton. He was in Regina in 1965 and received his discharge. Paul served in the Army from 1940 to 1965, 25 years in the service. He received the following Medals: the 1939-1945 Star, the Italy Star, the France and Germany Star, the Defence Medal, the Canadian Volunteer Service Medal and Clasp, the War Medal 1939-1945 and the Canadian Forces Decoration and First Clasp. After Paul's service, he resided with his wife Marge in Regina, Saskatchewan.

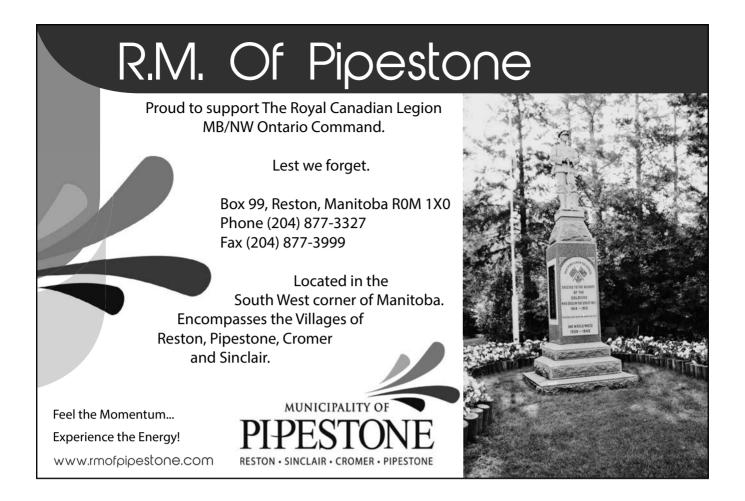


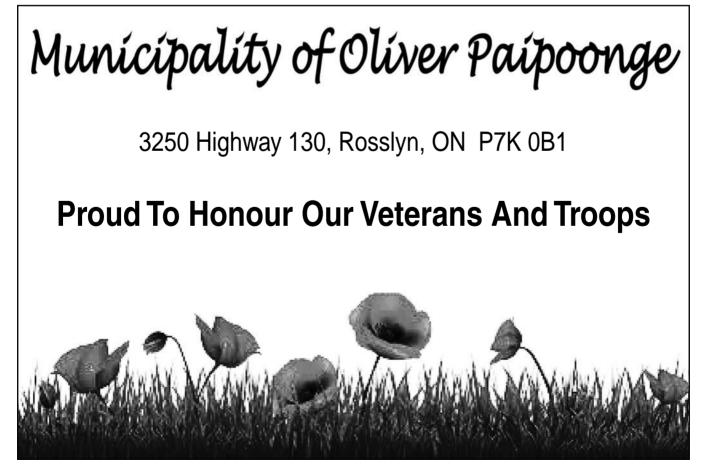


PRATT, Richard Henry

WWI

Richard was born in Warwick, England in 1885 and farmed in Bagot, Manitoba. He joined the Army in February 1917 in Winnipeg, sailing from Halifax to England on the SS Metagama in May 1917. Richard was a Private with the Canadian Forestry Corps serving in England. He also served with the #1 Railroad Construction Company in England and France. Richard was wounded by machine gun bullets in the arm and chest and also suffered an injury to the head at Amiens, France. After the war, he sailed home on the RMS Aquitania in November 1918 and was discharged on January 31, 1919. Richard passed away on May 28, 1952 in New Westminster, BC.









PRINGLE, Andrew "Andy"

WWI

Andrew enlisted in 1914 with the 23rd Battalion. He went overseas in April 1915 serving in England and France. He was transferred to 1st Company Engineers and was attached to the Cavalry. His horse was named Nell. Andy thought a lot of that horse. They went through a lot together. He used to tell that when he had leave he would ride Nell into Paris or whatever town was close. He would groundtie her and no one dared to touch her. Later, when the paddy wagon came to pick up those who had over celebrated, Nell would walk beside the wagon with her nose on Andy's chest. Andy was discharged in 1918. He tried unsuccessfully to re-enlist early in World War II. He then went to British Columbia where he spent the remainder of his life on Vancouver Island. He passed away in 1985.

WWII

PRUS, Peter "Pete"

Pete enlisted on January 3, 1940 and served in Canada. Due to medical reasons he received his discharge on April 22, 1940. Pete and his wife, Ann, resided on the family farm, in Fisherton. Both are now deceased.





PRUS, Steve

WWII

Steve enlisted in the Canadian Provost Corps in 1942. He served overseas in England during World War II and was married in England. Steve was discharged in 1947 and resided in Vancouver, British Columbia.

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PRYGROCKI, Bodhan "Bud"

WWII

Bud enlisted in Winnipeg with the Royal Canadian Air Force wireless section in November 1942. In January 1943 he was sent to the Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan, School for Elementary Training in Wireless, and graduated with Leading Aircraftman standing. Following graduation he was sent to Lachine, Quebec for regimental training. Then he was transferred to the RCAF number 1 Wireless School in Montreal, Quebec. Upon graduating, he taught in the wireless school for a short time. Later, he was assigned to the Air Force Base near Hamilton, Ontario in the wireless transmitter section. Late in December he was promoted to sergeant. Bud received his honourable discharge in Winnipeg, in early January 1946 and later resided in Winnipeg, Manitoba.

PRYGROCKI, Walter

Walter joined the Canadian Army in 1944 during World War II. He was

stationed in New Brunswick and was discharged in 1946.

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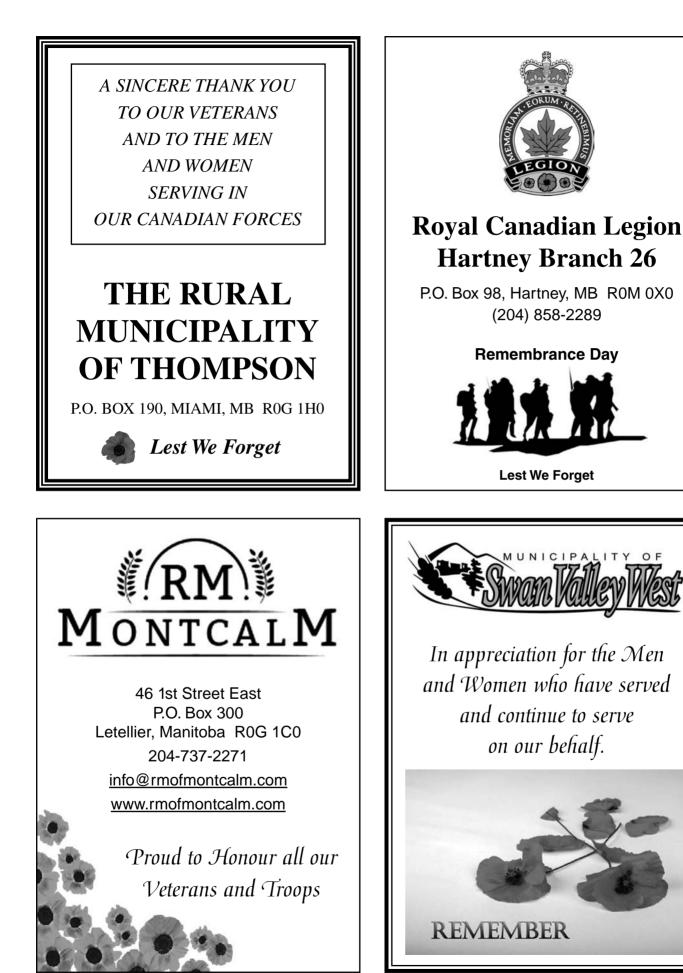


PYZIAK, Kazmir M.

Kazmir enlisted in the Army on July 20, 1942 in Winnipeg. He joined the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry and took his training at Camp Shilo, Manitoba. Here he spent the next three years in various capacities but mainly in maintenance. Kazmir was discharged from the Army in Winnipeg on June 12, 1945. After farming for forty years he retired to Arborg with his wife Adele in October 1985. Kazmir passed away on January 31, 1990

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RAYMOND, Fred

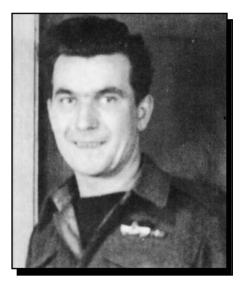
WWII

Fred enlisted in June 1944 in Winnipeg. He served in the Netherlands and Germany during World War II and spent one year in the Occupation Force. He received the 1939-1945 Star and the France and Germany Star. He was discharged in June 1946.

WWII

RECUNYK, Steve

Steve volunteered for service early in the war. By 1943 he was sent overseas to England. He was in the Armoured Division Headquarter Signal RHQCAO during 1943 and 1944. He was on the continent of Europe. He served in Holland, No.2 LIM Section, Canadian Army Signal BEW Forces from 1944 to 1945. Steve also was in France with No.2 LIM Section, 1st Army Signals BEW Forces from 1944 to his discharge. After the war, Steve was employed with Security Storage until he passed away in 1952. His wife, Ruth (an English war bride) and their two children resided in England.





RENAULD, George

WWII

George joined the Royal Canadian Engineers on January 15, 1942 in Fort William (now Thunder Bay), Ontario, then was sent to Winnipeg to #10 Depot, Engineers. He went overseas with the 1st Division, 9th Field Park and served in England attached to the British 26th ME Heavy Equipment section. He also served in the Central Mediterranean Area with the same unit, as well as in Continental Europe with the Canadian 3rd and 5th Divisions. When the war ended he landed back with the 1st Division in Holland and then back to Canada. He was discharged in Winnipeg, Manitoba on November 19, 1945. George joined The Royal Canadian Legion Hodgson Branch 158 shortly after his discharge. Later, he belonged to Strathcona Legion Branch 150 in Edmonton, Alberta where he resided with his wife Jean.



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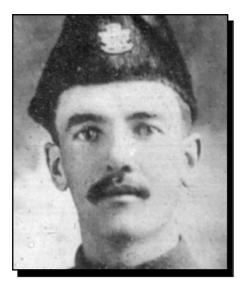
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RICHARDSON, Wilfred

WWI

Wilfred was born in Barnstaple, England in 1890, moving to Canada with his family in 1894. He was a farmer from the Bagot, Manitoba area, joining the Army in September 1915 in Portage la Prairie. Wilfred sailed from Canada for England on the SS Lapland in March 1916. He was a Sergeant with the 31st Canadian Infantry Battalion serving in England and France. Wilfred was sent to France in May 1916 and was wounded in the leg and face by shrapnel at Rouen on September 27, 1916, at the Battle of the Somme. He was admitted to an Australian Field Hospital. Wilfred was hospitalized and dangerously ill from pneumonia and pleurisy in February 1919. He was awarded the Good Conduct Badge and Military Medal. Wilfred passed away on April 10, 1975 in Nanaimo, BC and is buried in the Cumberland Cemetery, Comox, BC.

WWI

RINTOUL, James Lloyd

James was born in Kemptville, Ontario in 1895 and was an auto mechanic from Bagot, Manitoba. He joined the Army in November 1917 in Winnipeg, sailing from Halifax for England on the SS Milita in April 1918. James was a Private with the Canadian Reserve Calgary Regiment, serving in England and France. He had the mumps in May 1918 and contracted bronchitis as well as being kicked in the face by a horse, fracturing his nasal bone in August 1918. James was sent to France in August 1918. After the war, he sailed from Liverpool, England to Halifax on the HMCS Aquitania in January 1918. He was discharged on March 3, 1919. James died in 1982 and is buried in the Kemptville Public Cemetery in Kemptville.

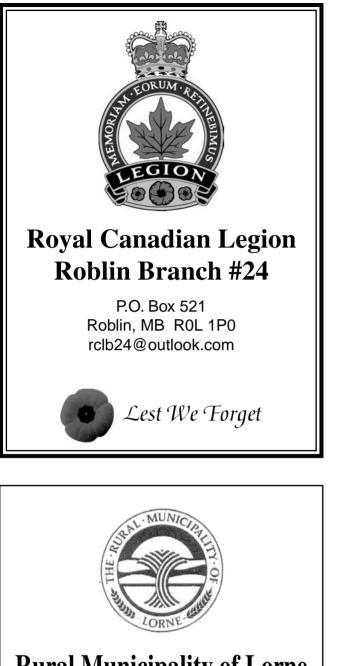




ROCHE, Marcel

WWII

Marcel joined the Royal Canadian Air Force in August 1941 in Winnipeg, Manitoba as a mechanic and was sent to #4 Souris Flying School in Saskatchewan for one year. He was then transferred to #17 Souris Flying School in Souris, Manitoba when it first opened. Marcel remembered that the conditions were terrible; sand was blowing around, everything was a mess and all they had to eat were green apples. While at the base in Souris, he was hit by a propeller and injured his back. After being hospitalized in Souris, he was transferred to Deer Lodge Hospital in Winnipeg for two or three months. Marcel was discharged in August 1943 in Winnipeg, Manitoba.





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RODGERS, James S.

SPECIAL DUTY AREA

James was born on March 22, 1936. He enlisted in the Army and served in Canada and France in Special Duty Area. He was awarded the Military Medal and Canadian Forces' Decoration. He served with NATO, ferried T33 A/C to Turkey and Greece in 1958 and did Search and Rescue from 1964 to 1967. James is a 59-year member of Carman Royal Canadian Legion Branch 18.

ROMANSON (PEPER), Anne

WWII

Anne and John Romanson came to Hodgson, Manitoba from Montreal in 1913. They had eight children, five of whom served in the Military -Marian, Anne, Esther, Jack and Bill. Anne enlisted at Fort Osborne Barracks in July 1945 with the Canadian Women's Army Corps and took her basic Training in Kitchener, Ontario. She served only in Canada and received her discharge in September 1946. Since 1955, she has lived in Arizona, USA.





ROMANSON (MORGAN), Esther

WWII

Anne and John Romanson came to Hodgson, Manitoba from Montreal in 1913. They had eight children, five of whom served in the Military-Marian, Anne, Esther, Jack and Bill. Esther enlisted on May 11, 1943 at Fort Osborne Barracks in Winnipeg. Her basic training was done in Kitchener, Ontario. After basic training was completed she was reassigned to Fort Osborne Barracks, Winnipeg for a short period. She was then assigned to Camp Shilo, Manitoba #32 Admin. Unit, CWAC. Esther worked in communications for the duration of her Army service. During her stay at Camp Shilo, she married Wayne Morgan. He was serving with the USA Air Force. She received her discharge on October 27, 1945 in Montreal. Later, she resided in Sandy, Utah, USA.



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ROMANSON, Jack

WWII

Anne and John Romanson came to Hodgson, Manitoba from Montreal in 1913. They had eight children, five of whom served in the Military - Marian, Anne, Esther, Jack and Bill. Jack enlisted in Winnipeg in July 1941. He joined the Manitoba Dragoons Regiment and served in Holland, Belgium and France. He was discharged in Winnipeg in June 1946. On April 5, 1975 Jack passed away in Drayton Valley, Alberta.

ROMANSON (ROBINSON), Marian

WWII

Anne and John Romanson came to Hodgson, Manitoba from Montreal in 1913. They had eight children, five of whom served in the Military-Marian, Anne, Esther, Jack and Bill. Marian served in the Nursing Corps in Montreal during World War II. Later, she resided in Chateauguay, Quebec.





ROMANSON, William "Bill"

WWII

Anne and John Romanson came to Hodgson, Manitoba from Montreal in 1913. They had eight children, five of whom served in the Military-Marian, Anne, Esther, Jack and Bill. Bill enlisted in Winnipeg in April 1942 in the Manitoba Dragoons Regiment. He later transferred to A9 Armoured Corps. He received his discharge in Winnipeg in April 1946 having served as a Trooper. Later, he lived in Blackfalds, Alberta.



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ROSS, John Edward "Ed"

WWI

Ed enlisted while in Saskatchewan in The Timber Wolves Battalion in September 1915. From September to November of 1915 he was in Camp Sewell then in Minto Barracks, Winnipeg to December 1915. In early 1916, Ed went to England then to France. He received several slight wounds but was never seriously wounded until near the end of the war when he was gassed and badly wounded in the shoulder from shrapnel. Ed received the Military Medal and Bar for bravery in the field and was twice mentioned in dispatches from the field for courage and efficiency under fire. He was promoted from Private to Sergeant by 1918 and was Company Sergeant - Major before Armistice. In the event of him reenlisting, he would start rank as Company Sergeant Major. Early in 1919, he received a Warrant Officer's Certificate confirming this rank. Ed returned from overseas service on March 22, 1919 later receiving his honourable discharge from the Army. A document signed by his superior officer stated that Ed was recommended for his bravery and efficiency in action during the battle of "Vimy Ridge". Ed passed away in 1925 as a result of being gassed and the shrapnel wound. He is buried in Hodgson Cemetery.

WWII

RUDYK, Steve "Ike"

Ike enlisted for active service on January 6, 1943. He trained in Hamilton, Ontario as a driver mechanic in the Canadian Armoured Tank Corps. Ike was overseas in England, France, Belgium and Holland. While in Europe he was wounded in the leg, also, he was burned with phosphorous. After returning to Canada Ike was discharged on February 28, 1946. The medals he received were: the 1939-1945 Star, the France and Germany Star, the Defence Medal and the Canadian Volunteer Service Medal and Clasp. Ike served on The Royal Canadian Legion executive for many years and was president of the Branch for one term. Ike was dedicated to the Branch, from the war's end he worked for the Legion. He helped renovate the old Block store to be the first club room. He worked tirelessly at: bingos, social functions, membership and poppy drives. Ike resided in Fisher Branch until his death in November 1978.





RUSSELL, John DeForest

WWII

John was born on October 31, 1919 in Portage la Prairie, Manitoba, the son of Clara Goodall Wampler and Samuel DeForest Russell and stepson of Harry Tuckey of High Bluff, MB. John enlisted on February 6, 1941 and trained as an Air Gunner in Victoriaville, receiving his wings at Paulson, Manitoba. He made several operation trips over Germany with the 57 Squadron RAF. His Lancaster Bomber, flew out of Scampton RAF station in Lincolnshire, England the night of October 15, 1942 and was heading to a target in Germany but was reported missing over the North Sea. Flight Sergeant John DeForest Russell has no known grave. His name is inscribed on the Runnymede Memorial, Panel 106 in Surrey, England. A bay in northern Manitoba was named Russell Bay in John's memory in 1995. He was awarded with the Operational Wings and Certificate, 1939-1945 Star, Europe Star, Defence Medal, War Medal and Canadian Volunteer Service Medal and Clasp.



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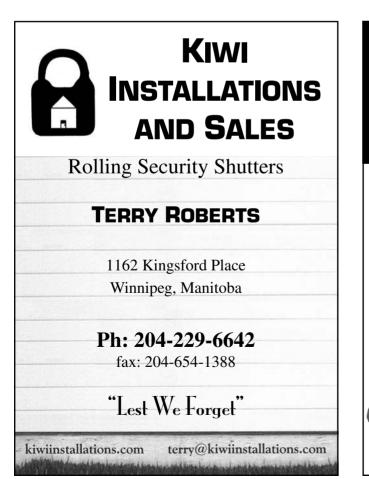
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SANGSTER, William

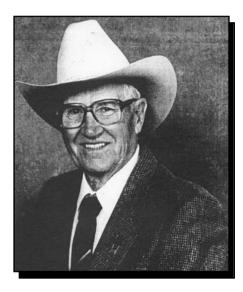
WWI

William was born in 1897 in Aberdeenshire, Scotland. He enlisted in the Army and served with the Royal Horse and Royal Field Artillery in France and England during World War I. Once, when moving out under fire, one of the horses was killed and they had to cut it loose on the run. As a signaller, one of his jobs was to reconnoiter no man's land under the cover of darkness to find and patch broken lines. When removed from one mission, his replacement was killed. He was gassed and suffered permanent scarring. William never forgot how to communicate using Morse code. He was transferred to Army Reserve in March 1919. William emigrated from Scotland in 1920 to Kenton, Manitoba and in 1927 purchased his farm two and a half miles south of Kenton. He farmed, lived, and raised a family there until his death in 1982. His children are Murray, Carol, Albert and Harvey, who still farms there.

SAVAGE, Dougald A.

WWII

Dougald was born in Carstairs, Manitoba in 1918. He enlisted in the Air Force and served as an Airframe Mechanic with 431 Squadron in England and Darlington, Scotland during World War II. He was a member of Elm Creek Royal Canadian Legion Branch 65 and Carman Legion Branch 18 from 1945 to 2004. Dougald passed away in 2004.





SELBY, Robert T.

WWII

Robert was born in St. Lazare, Manitoba on September 2, 1921. He served with the CAPC delivering mail to ships at sea and sorting army mail. He served in England, France, Holland and Belgium during World War II. Robert passed away on February 28, 1991.



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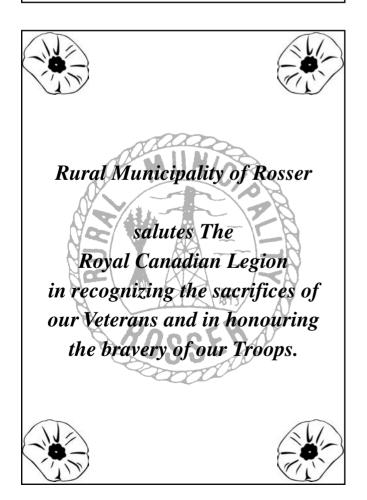
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SIMMONS, Hugh Robertson

WWII

Hugh was born in High Bluff, Manitoba to Lillie (Coxsmith) and James Simmons on October 27, 1915. He served with the Manitoba Mounted Rifles from 1932 to 1934. He married Margaret Knight on July 5, 1941 and enlisted in Winnipeg on October 4, 1941. He flew with the 1664 Halifax V Conversion Unit Group Overseas, 6 Bomber Command. Flight Sergeant (Pilot) Hugh Robertson Simmons was killed near Church House Farm, Atley Hill, South Cowton, Yorkshire, as a result of an accident when landing at 0135 coming home from a night training mission on October 22, 1943. The funeral service was held at Stonefalls Cemetery with full Service honours with burial at Harrogate Yorkshire, England. A headstone is in place at the High Bluff Cemetery. Simmons Peninsula in northern Manitoba is named in his honour. Hugh's medals include the Defence Medal, War Medal and Canadian Volunteer Service Medal and Clasp.

WWI

SIMS, Fredrick Charles

Fredrick was born in Andover, Hampshire, England on September 5, 1885. He farmed in the Bagot, Manitoba area. Fredrick enlisted on January 3, 1916 in Winnipeg, Manitoba with 78th Battalion. He sailed from Halifax, Nova Scotia on the SS Empress of Britain on May 20, 1916 landing in Liverpool on May 30. Fredrick was sent to France on August 12, 1916, becoming a Sergeant with the 78th Battalion. He suffered from a gunshot wound to the face on June 13, 1917. Fredrick left Liverpool, England on July 28, 1919, arriving in Halifax on August 5 on the RMS Adriatic. Fredrick was discharged on June 5, 1920 as a Sergeant Major. He was awarded the Bravery in the Field Medal as well as the Distinguished Conduct Medal. Fredrick passed away in 1942.





SKENE, George D.

WWI

George was born in Uxbridge, Ontario in 1886. He enlisted in the Army and served in France and Belgium during World War I. He was awarded the Canadian Volunteer Service Medal with Clasp, War Medal 1939-1945 and General Service Badge. George passed away in 1952.

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SKENE, Gerald C. "Neil"

WWII

Gerald was born in Dryden, Ontario in 1925. He served in Canada and England with the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry during World War II. He received the Canadian Volunteer Service Medal and Clasp, War Medal 1939-1945 and General Service Badge. He was a Royal Canadian Legion member of Branch 63 in Dryden, Ontario. Gerald passed away in 1982.

WWI

SMITH, Harold Joseph

Harold was born on February 19, 1875 in Lincolnshire, England. He farmed as well as being a steam fitter in the Bagot, Manitoba area. Harold enlisted in the Army on February 17, 1916 in Winnipeg with the 101st Battalion. He sailed from Halifax on June 28, 1916 on the SS Olympic, arriving in England on July 5. Harold was a Private with the 43rd Battalion and was then transferred to the 17th Battalion on July 13, 1916. He was sent to France on August 27, 1916. Harold was hospitalized in February 1917 with myalgia and severe trench fever for six months. He left England on January 18, 1919 arriving in Halifax on January 24 on the SS Aquitania. Harold was discharged on March 11, 1919.





SPARROW, Francis Robert

WWI

Francis was born on September 9, 1897 in MacGregor, Manitoba and farmed in the general area prior to World War I. He served in the Militia Reserve prior to the war. Francis enlisted on April 8, 1916 in Brandon. He served as a Private with the 181st Battalion, picking up influenza at Camp Hughes on July 10, 1916. Francis left from Halifax on December 13, 1916 on the SS Olympic, arriving in England on December 23. He was then transferred to the 14th Battalion, Canadian Infantry (Quebec Regiment). Francis was hospitalized with diphtheria on December 29, 1916 and March 30, 1917. He also had a tonsillectomy on February 26, 1917. Francis was killed in action on September 27, 1918. He is buried at the Sains-les-Marquion British Cemetery in France.



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SPENCE, Donald M.

WWII

Donald was born in Launceston, Australia in 1923. He moved to Canada at six years old after his father's death. He enlisted in the Army at age nineteen and took basic training in Ontario with the Tank Corp. While taking tank training, he developed pneumonia and was honourably discharged. He worked at the Inglis plant in Toronto and became a supervisor and tested the guns before they were issued. He met and married Luverne Hicks, another assembly line worker. He moved to Winnipeg and died in 2016. They had three children, Ron Spence, Donna Foss and Bonnie Sangster who married Harvey and they farm just south of Kenton, Manitoba.

SPENCE (HICKS), Edith Luverne

Edith worked at the Inglis plant on the gun assembly line during World War II. She met and married Donald Spence, who also worked on the assembly line as a supervisor and tested guns before they were issued. Edith joined the Army Reserves in 1961 and trained as a Dental Technician. She trained in Winnipeg, Shilo and Wainwright. Edith passed away in 2017.





STEWART, James D.

WWII & PEACETIME

PEACETIME

James was born in Russell, Manitoba in 1953. He joined the RCEME in 1979 and served until 1999. He was in Cyprus as a peacekeeper from September 1988 to February 1989. He was posted to Cornwallis, Borden, Moose Jaw, Calgary and Winnipeg. James is a three-year member of Winnipeg Beach Royal Canadian Legion Branch 61.



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STOCKIE (BARLAGE), Gertrude

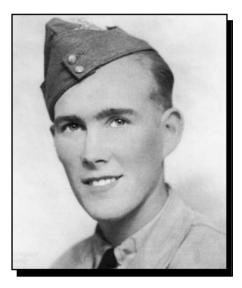
WWII

Gertrude, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. August Barlage, was born in Humboldt, Saskatchewan on October 19, 1925. She enlisted in the Army in Winnipeg on April 3, 1944 at the age of eighteen. She served with the #3 Canadian Women's Army Corps as a tailor. Gertrude passed away on April 27, 1946.

STONEHOUSE, Ralph James Bruce

WWII

Bruce was born in Elkhorn, Manitoba on August 2, 1922. He and his family later moved to a farm near Delta, Manitoba. Bruce enlisted in the Army in Winnipeg in early 1944. He did basic training in Shilo, Manitoba as well as training with the "6 pounder" guns. Bruce was later sent to Divert, Nova Scotia for more artillery training. He left Halifax in the fall of 1944 on the RMS Andes, landing in Liverpool, England eleven days later. Bruce did further training with the "17 pounder" guns in England. He was then serving as a gunner with the 6th Anti-Tank Division. Bruce served in a Sherman M10 Tank with a seventeenpound gun. He landed in France in late 1944 - early 1945 fighting in and around cities such as Nijmegen and Amsterdam, Netherlands. In one incident, the driver in his tank had his head blown off by a German 88 M.M. shell. Bruce was in Holland at the end of the war. He returned to North America on the Queen Mary with eight thousand American and seven thousand Canadian troops on board. Bruce landed in New York City, taking a train to Winnipeg. He then was sent to Shilo for more training to prepare for the Asian theatre. The war ended when Bruce was in Shilo and he was discharged there.





TAIT, William J.A. "Alf" SPECIAL DUTY AREA & PEACETIME

Alf was born in Stonecliffe, Ontario in 1937. He enrolled in the RCAF in May 1954. He graduated as a Navigator in January 1957. He recorded over 1299 hours on the CF100 while serving with 433 and 414 Squadron, North Bay, Ontario. Alf cross-trained as a Pilot and received his wings at Rivers, Manitoba. He became a Chinook Helicopter Pilot Instructor and had several hours flying fixed wings aircraft. Alf also spent time in Vietnam with the ICC for the first six months of 1973 and was decorated for his service there. He is also the recipient of the Queen's Jubilee Medal, the Canadian Forces' Decoration 2 and the Peacekeeping Medals. Comrade Tait served on the Charleswood Legion Executive for 32 years, having two tours as President and was awarded Life Membership. Alf attended University in 1973, graduating in 1975 with a BA in Political Science and Law. Alf and his wife, Peggy, have retired in Winnipeg, Manitoba where he still serves on the Legion Executive.



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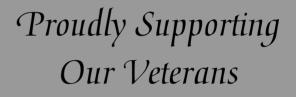
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TOMKO, William James "Bill"

WWII

William was born in Winnipeg Beach, Manitoba in 1917, the son of Peter Tomko and Martha Zaborowski. Bill owned a service station in Winnipeg Beach and was married to Olga Tyshkowski. Their first son, James, was born in 1941. Bill enlisted in the Canadian Army on March 19, 1943 in Winnipeg, Manitoba and trained in Fort Garry, Manitoba and Camp Borden, Ontario. He served overseas in World War II as a mechanic and driver with the Canadian Armoured Corps (Fort Garry Horse) in Continental Europe and the United Kingdom. Bill was awarded the Canadian Volunteer Service Medal and Clasp, the 1939-1945 Star, the France and Germany Star, the Defence Medal, and a Good Conduct Badge. He was discharged from the Army in March 1946 and resumed his family life and service station business in Winnipeg Beach. He was a member of the Winnipeg Beach Royal Canadian Legion Branch 61. Bill and Olga were blessed with two sons and three daughters. Bill was unfortunately killed in a tragic automobile accident in Lockport, Manitoba on March 13, 1956, and was laid to rest in the Winnipeg Beach Cemetery.

WWI

TOWERZEY, Ernest Forrest

Ernest was born on August 9, 1884 in Bristol, England. He farmed in the Bagot, Manitoba area. Ernest enlisted in the Army in Winnipeg on January 6, 1916, serving with the 17th Battalion. He picked up the German measles on August 24, 1916. Ernest was sent to France on November 14, 1916. He was hospitalized with trench fever in France three separate times, May, July and August 1917. Ernest was awarded the Good Conduct Badge on January 6, 1918. After the war, he sailed from Liverpool, England on March 12, 1919 on the RMS Baltic. Ernest was discharged on March 24, 1919.





TOWNS, William E. "Bill"

SPECIAL DUTY AREA

Bill was born in 1927 on the farm in Ninga, Manitoba. He joined the RCAF in 1950 and graduated as Flying Officer at Centralia, Ontario base in 1951. He was honourably discharged in 1955. He was a member of The Royal Canadian Legion Branch 25. On April 30, 2018 Bill passed away at Bayside Personal Care Hospital in Killarney, Manitoba.

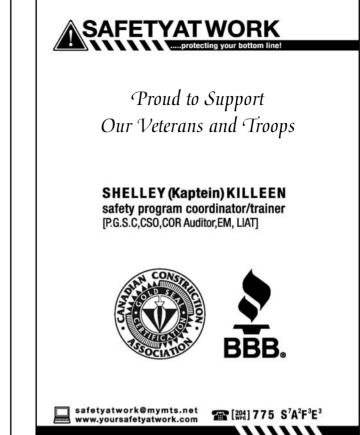


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TROUBRIDGE, Robert A.

PEACETIME

Robert was born in England in 1936. He enlisted in the British Royal Air Force and served during Peacetime as Air Defence Operator in Germany from 1957 to 1960. Robert has been a member of Winnipeg Beach Royal Canadian Legion Branch 61 for 25 years.

TYSHKOSKI (TYLER), Leopold William "Nap" "Leo" WWII

Leo was born in Malonton, Manitoba in 1918. He served in World War II with the Royal Canadian Corps of Signals in England, France, Belgium, Holland, Germany and Canada. He earned the Canadian Volunteer Service Medal and Clasp, 1939-1945 Star, France and Germany Star, Defence Medal and 60th Diamond Jubilee Medal. He was discharged from the Army in April 1946. He then returned to Winnipeg Beach and co-owned a grocery store with Comrade Ben Russin. Years later, he owned a successful business (Beachside General Store) with his father, Louis. He joined the Winnipeg Beach Royal Canadian Legion Branch 61 in 1950. For 25 years, he served as Secretary/Treasurer of Branch 61 and as their faithful weekly bingo caller. He married Kay Juzyk and they had four children together. His family was his priority. Leo passed away in 1999.





VAUGHAN, Cyrus

WWI

Cyrus was born in Delhi, Ontario on April 28, 1887. He served as a chauffeur for Cotter Brothers for five years in Winnipeg. Cyrus served with the 100th Grenadiers as well as the 39th Norfolk Rifles for two years before the war. He enlisted in the Army in Winnipeg on July 3, 1915 with the 78th Battalion. Cyrus left Halifax on May 20, 1916 on the SS Empress of Britain arriving in England on May 30. He left Southampton, England on August 12, 1916 arriving in Havre, France on August 13. Cyrus received a gunshot wound to the left thigh and left arm on January 19, 1917 being discharged on January 24. He was hospitalized with the mumps from March 31 to April 19, 1917. Cyrus was promoted to Lance Corporal on May 15, 1917. He was killed in action on July 1, 1917 in Rouen, France. He was awarded the Memorial Cross posthumously. Cyrus is buried at the La Chaudiere Military Cemetery on the outskirts of Vimy, France.



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VOURIOT, Eugene J.

WWII

Eugene was born in Winnipeg, Manitoba in 1921. He joined the Army in 1942 and served with #10 Prairie Dist., Canadian Infantry Corps in Canada during World War II. He received a Certificate of Appreciation for serving as a test subject in the Experimental Station, Suffield. He was discharged in 1945 and was an eighteen-year member of St. James Royal Canadian Legion Branch 4. He passed away in 1998.

WALDEN, Loftin John Gorley

Loftin was born on April 19, 1899 and raised in the Bagot, Manitoba area. He was an electrical student at the time he enlisted in the Army on May 21, 1917 in Winnipeg. He was a Sapper with the 4th Division Signal Training Depot. He left Halifax on December 21, 1917 on the SS Grampian. Loftin arrived in England on December 31, 1917, serving with the Signal Corps. He left England on July 19, 1919 on the SS Winifredian. He was discharged on August 3, 1919 in Kingston, Ontario, having served in Canada and the United Kingdom. Loftin also served during World War II from September 7, 1942 to July 7, 1945.



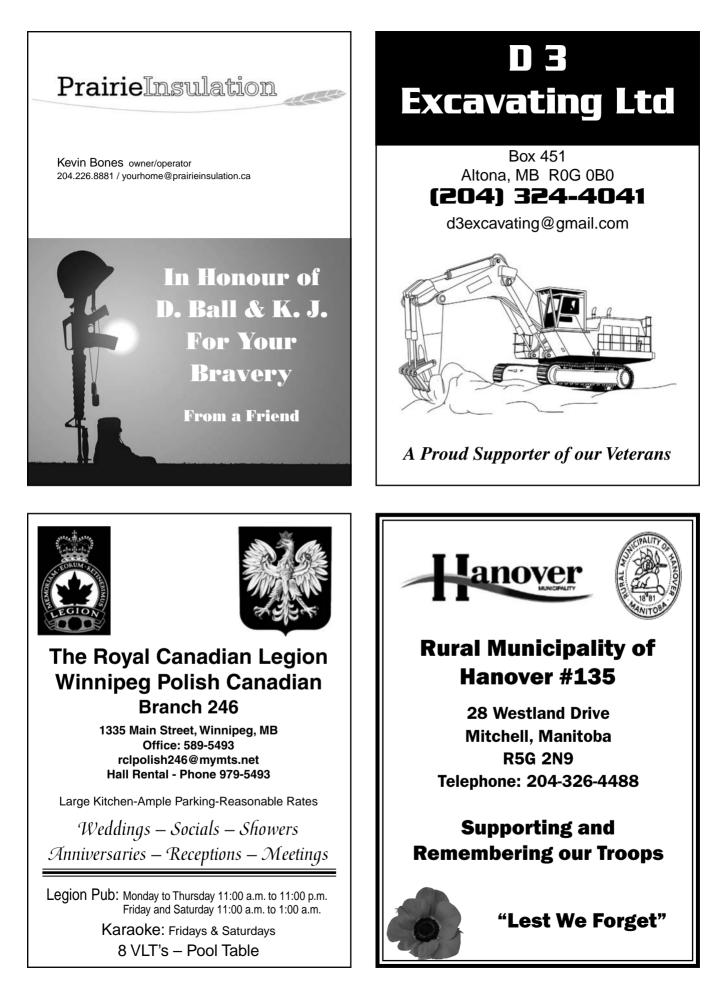


WALLACE, James Alexander

WWI & WWII

BOER WAR

James was born in Scotland in 1879. While guite young, his mother died and because his father was a Merchant Sailor, he and his two brothers went to live with their aunts and uncles in Fern Cottage. With all his family being sailors, it was quite strange that he was chronically seasick if he went onboard the seas. When aged twenty, he signed up with the Seaforth Highlanders (Army) and Private Wallace sailed to South Africa. They would march for days then dive for cover when ambushed then back in the sand marching on with their kilts on, the wind-blown sand would cut up their knees. After a year, he was sailing home with three campaign Bars to his Queen's South Africa Medal. Back home he soon realized he wanted a different life, so it was back on the ship and across the ocean to Canada, MacDonald, Manitoba. It had a good Scottish name and was as far away from any sea as he could get. He recalled a typical meal was boiled mutton, potatoes in their skins, boiled onions, a wedge of plum pudding in a tin and a flat beer to wash it all down. James passed away in 1970.



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WALLACE, John M.

WWII

John was born on December 20, 1916 in MacDonald, Manitoba, and then moved to the Bagot area. He went to Imagehill School taking High School by correspondence. He enjoyed the Boys and Girls Club (pre 4H) in gardening, poultry and anything outdoors, even beekeeping. John joined the Manitoba Volunteer Reserve on November 11, 1941 in the Royal Canadian Air Force in Winnipeg. He was then sent to training bases across Manitoba like Paulen, Brandon, Carberry and Winnipeg to be a Wireless Air Gunner. He left from Halifax on May 27, 1943. Sergeant Wallace qualified, "crew up" was sent to Leeming airfield 427 (MGM Lion) Squadron. He was married in Stratford-upon-Avon (London), England on December 24, 1943 to Kathleen Lamb. He earned his commission to Pilot Officer, then on February 20, 1945, John and six crewmen left in a Halifax Bomber #NP942 "ZL T" and was shot down near Bergheim, Germany while on a bombing mission to Manheim. John and the Bomb Aimer were executed and buried at the Rheinberg War Cemetery, Germany.

WEBB, William J.

WWII

William was born in Fort Frances, Ontario in 1914. He enlisted in the Army and served with Debert Military Camp in Debert, Nova Scotia during World War II. He was a member of St. James Legion Branch. William passed away in 1990.





WHITE, Harold B.

WWII

Harold was born in Fort William, Ontario in 1916. He enlisted in the Army and served with the Winnipeg Rifles Engineer Corps in England and Holland during World War II. He was a member of Gimli Royal Canadian Legion Branch 182 for 25 years. Harold passed away in 1996.



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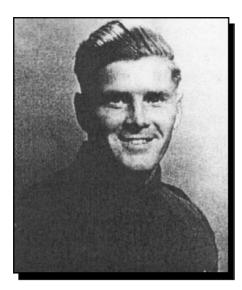
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WILKINSON, Thomas Donald

WWII

Donald was born to George and Lillian Wilkinson on December 9, 1918 in Brandon, Manitoba. He enlisted in 1942 with the Winnipeg Grenadiers and then on March 30, 1942 in the Queen's Own Cameron Highland Regiment. He married Christina Jean Finnie on April 4, 1942. Donald left on September 21, 1942 and trained overseas with the 2nd Division as a Rifleman. He landed in France on July 8, 1944. Private Thomas Donald Wilkinson lost his life on August 8, 1944 near Caen between Ifs and Fontenay-le Marmion in action as a sniper. He was buried initially at Cintheaux, Basse-Normandie and then reburied in 1946 at the Canadian War Cemetery at Bretteville-sur-Laize in Cintheaux, France in Grave 13, Row G, Plot 6. A lake in northern Manitoba was named Wilkinson Lake in his honour. His medals include the 1939-1945 Star, France and Germany Star, Defence Medal, War Medal and Canadian Volunteer Service Medal and Clasp.

WWI

WILLIAMS, William

William was born on February 11, 1891 in Wolverhampton, England and farmed in the Bagot, Manitoba area. He served with the 79th Cameron Highlanders of Canada before the war. William enlisted in the Army in Winnipeg on December 6, 1915. He was a Private with the 179th Battalion training at Camp Hughes in Manitoba by June 1916, later serving with the 43rd Cameron Highlanders. William sailed from Halifax on October 4, 1916 on the SS Saxonia, landing in Liverpool, England on October 13. He was sent to France on November 14, 1916. William received a severe gunshot wound to the right groin (femur) on April 17, 1917 at Vimy. He was awarded the Good Conduct Medal on October 18, 1917 and April 14, 1918. William left Liverpool on March 12, 1919 on the RMS Baltic. William passed away in Vancouver, BC on October 18, 1974.





WISENDEN, William Lewis

WWI

William was born in London, England on July 22, 1890 and farmed in the Beaver, Manitoba area. He served with the 79th Cameron Highlanders of Canada before the war. William enlisted in Winnipeg on November 16, 1915 with the 179th Battalion, Cameron Highlanders of Canada. He was transferred to the 43rd Battalion, Canadian Infantry, Manitoba Regiment as a Private. William left Halifax on October 4, 1916 on the SS Saxonia arriving in England on October 13. He arrived in France on November 14, 1916. William was reported as dangerously wounded from a gunshot wound to the head. William died of his wounds on May 28, 1917. He was awarded the Memorial Cross posthumously. William is buried at Noeux-les-Mines Communal Cemetery in France.



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WRIGHT, Albert Ernest

WWI & WWII

Albert was born on August 15, 1889 in Kenora, Ontario, farming in the Lavenham, Manitoba area. He enlisted in the Army on December 12, 1916 in Portage la Prairie, Manitoba initially with the 251st Battalion. Albert arrived in England on October 17, 1917. He was then transferred to the 18th Reserve Battalion, then to the 44th Battalion. Albert served in England, France and Belgium. He was awarded the British War Medal, Victory Medal and Class "A" Badge. He was discharged on July 25, 1919 in Quebec. Albert re-enlisted in the Army on November 28, 1941 in Winnipeg. He served at 7 Prisoner of War and Internment Camps in Canada as a guard. He was discharged on August 18, 1945. Albert died on September 12, 1974.

WWI

WRIGHT, Alex Ross

Alex was born on November 4, 1898 in Thornbury, Ontario and farmed in the Bagot, Manitoba area. He served with the 18th Mounted Rifles for two years. Alex enlisted in the Army on December 7, 1915 in Portage la Prairie, Manitoba with the 226th Battalion. He was promoted to Corporal on December 15, 1916, the same day he sailed from Halifax on the SS Olympic, arriving in England on December 28. Alex was killed in action on June 28, 1917 on Rouen, France at the Battle of Vimy Ridge. He is buried at the La Chaudiere Military Cemetery in France. Alex was awarded the Memorial Cross posthumously.

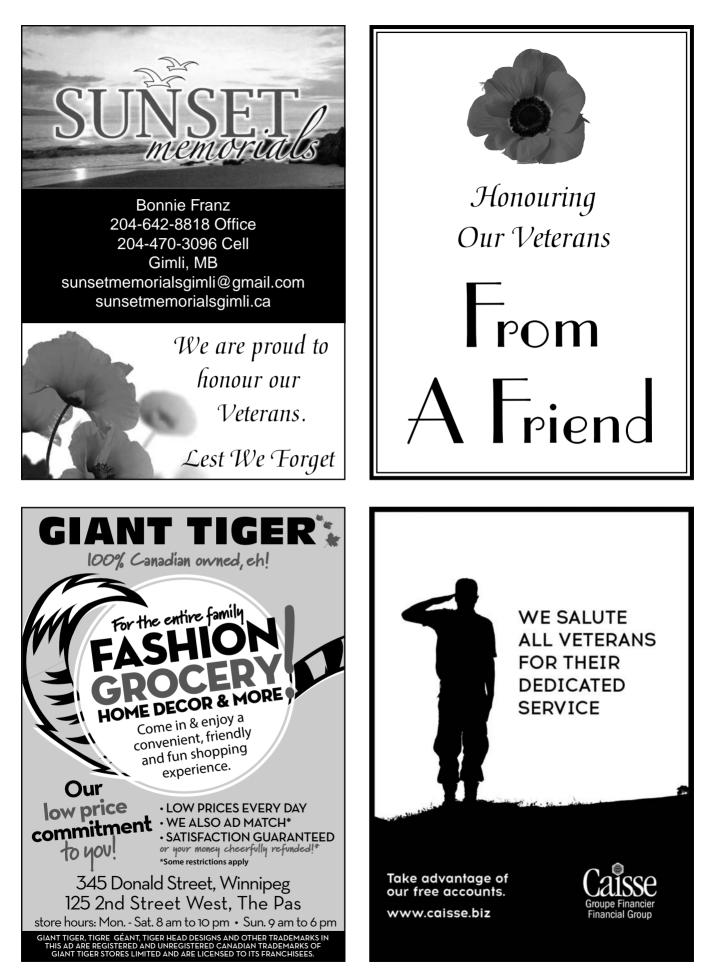




YULE, Alex

WWII

Alex was born in Newdale, Manitoba in 1917. He served with the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry in England, Italy and France during World War II. He was a member of Brandon Royal Canadian Legion Branch 3 for twenty years. Alex passed away in 2003.



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ABRAM, John B.

John was born in The Pas, Manitoba in 1931. He served in the Korean War with the RCHA in Canada as a Private. John is a member of The Royal Canadian Legion Flin Flon Branch 73.

ADAM, Hugh D.

Hugh was born in Davidson, Saskatchewan in 1921. He served in World War II in the RCAF with the W.Hem and UK in Canada as Corporal. He is a member of the Flin Flon Royal Canadian Legion Branch 73.

ADAMS, David H.

WWII

WWI & WWI

WWII

KOREA

David was born in Ingersoll, Ontario in 1921. He served in the Army during World War II in Europe as a Private.

ADAMS, John Robert

John was born in Kent, England in 1890. He served during World War I with the Canadian Army Medical Corp from 1914 to 1918. John re-enlisted during World War II and served in the Veterans Guard Canada from 1942 to 1943. He was a member of the Flin Flon Royal Canadian Legion Branch 73 for 25 years. John passed away in 1957.

ADAMS, Joshua G.

WWII

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Joshua was born in Belfast, Ireland in 1904. He served in Canada as a Gunner in the Canadian Artillery. He was a six-year member of The Royal Canadian Legion Flin Flon Branch 73. Joshua passed away in 1966.

AITCHISON, James

James was born in Galashiels, Scotland in 1882. He served as a Private during World War I with the Cameron Highlanders in France. James passed away in 1943.

ALBERTSON, Ruben A.

Ruben was born in Saskatchewan in 1915. Private Ruben A. Albertson served during World War II with ECO #10 District Depot in Canada. He was a member of the Flin Flon Royal Canadian Legion Branch 73.

ALCORN, James Ralph

James was born in Valparaiso, Saskatchewan in 1923. He served in the Army during World War II with the 1st Canadian Parachute Battalion as Private. James is a member of The Royal Canadian Legion Flin Flon Branch 73.

ALEXANDER, Ralph O.

WWII

Ralph was born in Minnedosa, Manitoba in 1912. He enlisted in the Army and served as a Driver with the 3rd Division during World War II in Canada. Ralph was a member of The Royal Canadian Legion Flin Flon Branch 73.

ALGUIRE, Victor C.

WWII

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Victor was born in Dauphin, Manitoba in 1915. He served during World War II as a Gunner. Victor was a member of The Royal Canadian Legion Flin Flon Branch 73.

ALLAN, Leslie F.

Leslie was born in Winnipeg, Manitoba in 1920. He served in the Royal Canadian Air Force with the 122 Squadron in Canada as Corporal. Leslie was a member of The Royal Canadian Legion Flin Flon Branch 73.

ALLEN, John G.

John was born in Leicester, England in 1892. He enlisted in the Army with the Canadian Expeditionary Force and served overseas during World War I as Private. He was a member of the Flin Flon Royal Canadian Legion Branch 73. John passed away in 1960.

ANDERSON, Clifford J.

Clifford was born in 1913 in Tisdale, Saskatchewan. He enlisted in the Army and served with the RCASC in Europe during World War II as Private. He was awarded the 1939-1945 Star, the Italy Star and the Defence Medal. Clifford was a member of The Royal Canadian Legion Flin Flon Branch 73.

ANDERSON, Edythe L.

Edythe was born in Cathcart, Ontario in 1923. She enlisted with the Canadian Women's Army Corps with the MIR (Medical Inspection Room) and served in Canada and the United Kingdom. Lance Corporal Edythe L. Anderson received the Canadian Volunteer Service Medal. She was a member of the Flin Flon Royal Canadian Legion Branch 73. Edythe passed away in 1965.

ANDERSON, Eiki A.

WWI

Eiki was born in Baldur on December 17, 1896, the son of Andres and Cecelia Anderson. He enlisted on May 3, 1918 going to England on July 10 of the same year. He joined the 52nd Battalion overseas and arrived in France in November just before the Armistice was signed. He returned to Canada in April 1919 and farmed at Grund until commencing in the Baldur Garage where he was in partnership with his brother until his retirement on December 31, 1959. Eiki married Anna Swainson in 1925. They had four children, Kristine Larsen, Dorothy Parsonage, George and Marjorie Johnson.



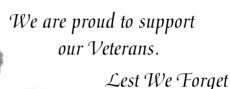
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ANDERSON, Stewart Lyon

Stewart was born on November 22, 1919 in Rignold, Manitoba and farmed in Bagot, Manitoba. He joined the Army on June 25, 1941. Stewart sailed from Halifax, Nova Scotia in August 1942 for Glasgow, Scotland. He was a Trooper with the 12th Manitoba Dragoons-Armoured Car Regiment serving in England, France and Holland. He was sent to France in April 1944. Stewart was killed in action on April 19, 1945 after the armoured vehicle he was in hit a land mine. Stewart is buried at the Holten Canadian War Cemetery in Holland and acknowledged at the Hillside Cemetery in Portage la Prairie, Manitoba. The Memorial Cross was presented to family.

ANDRONYK, Sophie

WWII

WWII

Sophie was born in Roblin, Manitoba in 1926. She enlisted in the Canadian Women's Army Corps and served with the 103rd CABTC in Canada. She was a member of the Flin Flon Royal Canadian Legion Branch 73.

ANDRONYK, Stephen

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Stephen was born in Roblin, Manitoba on June 14, 1921. He enlisted during World War II with the 1st Battalion Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders and served overseas. Lance Corporal Stephen Andronyk was killed in action on August 9, 1944.

ANGER, William A.

William was born in London, England in 1891. He enlisted in the Army and served in England during World War I as Private. He was a member of the Flin Flon Royal Canadian Legion Branch 73.

ARMER, Palmer L.

Palmer was born in 1922 in the United States. He enlisted in the Royal Canadian Air Force and served overseas and in Canada during World War II as Leading Aircraftman. He was a member of the Flin Flon Royal Canadian Legion Branch 73.

ARMSTRONG, George A.

George was born in Shoal Lake, Manitoba in 1916. He enlisted in the Air Force during World War II and served as Corporal in Canada. George was a member of The Royal Canadian Legion Branch 73 in Flin Flon.

ARMSTRONG, Ivan H.

WWII

Ivan was born in Craik, Saskatchewan in 1922. He enlisted in the Army and served with the 14th Canadian Tank Regiment during World War II in Europe as Trooper. Ivan was a member of The Royal Canadian Legion Branch 73 in Flin Flon. He passed away in 1952.

ARMSWORTHY, Covert W.

WWII

Covert was born in Truro, Nova Scotia in 1926. He enlisted in the Army and served during World War II in Canada. He was discharged in 1943 because he was underage. Covert was a member of The Royal Canadian Legion Flin Flon Branch 73.

ARMSWORTHY, Doreen M.

WWII

Doreen was born in Regina, Saskatchewan in 1924. She enlisted in the Canadian Women's Army Corps and served in Canada during World War II as Private. Doreen was a member of The Royal Canadian Legion Flin Flon Branch 73.

ARNASON, Paul

WWI

WWI & WWII

Corporal Paul Arnason, late of Langruth, Manitoba was born on December 9, 1894 in Bru P.O., Manitoba. He enlisted on June 1, 1918 with the Fort Garry Horse Regiment and was sent overseas almost immediately, returning to Canada in June 1919. He married Bertha Kaprasiuson and farmed the remainder of his life in Langruth. They had four children, Hjortur and Norman John on the home farm, Kristjan in Winnipeg and Olivia in London, Ontario. Paul passed away in February 1968.

ARNOLD, William J.

William was born in Baldur, Manitoba on February 11, 1898, the son of William and Janet Arnold. In World War I, Arnold enlisted in Winnipeg in February 1916; trained at Camp Hughes in 1916 with the 203rd Battalion CEF and in France with the 52nd Battalion where he served from 1917 to 1919. In World War II, Dr. Arnold enlisted in the Royal Canadian Dental Corps in June 1941. He was discharged with the rank of Major in August 1945. On December 22, 1924 he married Mary E. Gemmill (Pilot Mound). They had four children, Betty J. (Aitken), Mary Marguerite (Mitchell), William S. and John G. Dr. and Mrs. Arnold resided in St. James, Manitoba.

ASELTINE, Roy W.

WWII

Roy was born in Willow Bunch, Saskatchewan in 1917. He enlisted in the Army with the Royal Canadian Engineers, 20th Field Company and served as a Sergeant in World War II. Roy was a member of The Royal Canadian Legion Flin Flon Branch 73.

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ASHAM, Thomas W.

WWII

Thomas was born in Selkirk, Manitoba in 1912. He enlisted in the Army with the 5th Canadian Armoured Division and served on all fronts during World War II as Sergeant. Thomas was a member of The Royal Canadian Legion Branch 73 in Flin Flon.

ATAMANCHUK, Michael

Michael was born on January 19, 1926. He enlisted in Winnipeg on November 14, 1944 and served in Canada during World War II. He was discharged in Winnipeg on April 11, 1946 and was awarded the Service Medal.

ATKINSON, William Gordon

William was born in Russell, Manitoba. He enlisted in the Army on October 7, 1939 and served with the SLL and RSEME in Canada and overseas. He was discharged on September 20, 1945 in Regina. William was awarded the Service Medal.

AURIAT, Albert Joseph

Albert was born in Saint-Front, Saskatchewan on April 24, 1924. He enlisted in Trail, BC on December 17. 1942. He served in Italy and in Europe with the 17th Field Regiment and was wounded during his service. He was discharged in Regina on March 18, 1946. Private Albert Auriat was awarded the Service Medal.

AVERY, Frank C.

Frank enlisted in the Air Force in 1924 in Winnipeg. He served as Pilot Officer with the #21 TS until his discharge on February 6, 1945. Frank married Lois Schell on July 27, 1935.

AVISON, Robert Francis RESERVES

Robert was born in Ontario on December 31, 1891. He enlisted in the Reserves in Winnipeg on January 7, 1918. He served in England with the 76th Battery, Reserve Artillery CCC. He was discharged on September 18, 1919. Robert had a daughter named Evelyn.

AYERS, Robert Maxwell

Robert served in Canada and overseas with D Coy, Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry.

AYRES, George William

George was born in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan on April 22, 1922. He enlisted in Saskatoon in November 1942 having first been rejected in 1941. He served overseas with the #7 ITS during World War II. George married Lance Corporal P. H. Ayres, Canadian Women's Army Corps.

BABER, Harry D.

Harry enlisted in the Navy in Saskatoon on March 13, 1944 at the age of eighteen. He served overseas onboard HMCS Montcalm and HMCS Clifton during World War II.

BACHNICK, Philip

Philip enlisted in the Army and served in Canada and overseas during World War II.

BADRE, Daniel John

Daniel was born in St. Williams, Ontario on January 1, 1922. He enlisted in Winnipeg with #10 Clearing Depot on November 2, 1942. He served in Canada on Home Defence with the 23rd AA during World War II. He was discharged in Vancouver on August 21, 1943.

BAERWALD, Harala Emil

Harala enlisted in the Army and served in Canada and overseas during World War II. He was discharged on December 3, 1945.

BAERWALD, Herburt Lawrence WWII

Herburt enlisted in the Army and served in Canada and overseas during World War II until his discharge on December 3, 1945.

BAICH, Benny

Benny enlisted in the Navy and served in Canada and on the High Seas until his discharge in July 1947.

BAILEY, Charles Allan

Charles was born in Barbados on September 19, 1890. He enlisted with the Army in Winnipeg in August 1914 and served in France and Belgium with the Fort Garry Horse, 2nd Field Company, Canadian Engineers. His final rank was Sergeant. He was discharged in Quebec in July 1919. He was awarded the General Service Medal and the Victory Medal. Charles passed away on July 30, 1938 at the age of 48 and is buried at Ross Lake Cemetery in Flin Flon.

BAILEY, Jack Garfield

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Jack enlisted in the Army and served in Canada and overseas during World War II until his discharge on August 11, 1945.

BAILLIE, Clarence

Clarence was born in Oak Lake, Manitoba on March 15, 1921. He enlisted in the Army on January 9, 1943 in Winnipeg and served with the Lord Strathcona's Horse in Europe during World War II. He was discharged on April 16, 1946 in Winnipeg and received the Service Medal. His final rank was Trooper. Clarence married Mellissa Dorothy.

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BAINBRIDGE, Fred

Fred enlisted in the Army in September 1943 in Winnipeg serving in Chemical warfare. He was discharged in February 1946 with rank of Captain. Fred married Patricia.

BAIRD, Charles

Charles was born in Kilmarnock, Scotland in 1895. He enlisted in the Army in Winnipeg in October 1915. Charles served as a Gunner in England and in France with the 39 Battery, 3rd Division during World War I. Gunner Charles Baird was discharged in Montreal in June 1919. He was awarded the Military Medal and the General Service Medal. Charles passed away on February 12, 1962.

BAIRD, Garnet Trevor

Garnet enlisted in the Navy on September 15, 1942 at Regina. He served in Canada and on the High Seas on HMCS Capilario during World War II. He was discharged on September 17, 1945.

BAIRD, James William

James served in the Army in Canada and overseas during World War II. He was discharged on February 28, 1946.

BAIRD, John Wesley

John served in the Air Force in Canada and overseas during World War II. He was discharged on September 15, 1948.

BAKER, Alfred "Alf"

Alf was born in London, England moving to the RM of Argyle shortly after the turn of the century. He enlisted at Baldur where he trained, as well as at Camp Hughes. He went overseas with Col. Lightfoot's 222nd Battalion, and serving in France with the 8th Little Black Devils. He was wounded and returned to Baldur in the spring of 1919. Alf was a jeweler in Baldur for many years.

BAKER, Neil Edward

Neil was born in Quebec on December 15, 1920. He enlisted in the Army in Winnipeg on September 2, 1939. Neil served with the Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders of Canada in Canada and overseas during World War II. He was discharged in Winnipeg on September 6, 1945 at the rank of Major. He was awarded the EM and the Service Medal. Neil married Hazel and had a daughter named Carol Ann.

BALDWIN, Carl

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Carl was born in Baldur in 1896, the son of Baldwin and Gudny Baldwin. He enlisted in March 1916, trained in Portage la Prairie and went overseas in May 1917 with the 78th Battalion Winnipeg Grenadiers, CEF. He served in France, at Amiens, Arras, Cambrai and Valenciennes. He returned home in July 1919. On his return, he farmed briefly and thereafter he was employed in Glenboro as a mechanic and then went to Winnipeg where he was employed at Pritchard Engineering until he was forced to retire before he died in 1952. In 1927, he married Anna Christie. They had two children, Benedict (Winnipeg) and Donna Arason (Glenboro.)

BALLARD, Leon Clyde

WWII

Leon served in the Army in Canada during World War II.

BAMBRICK, Heber Johnson David WWII

Heber was born in Montreal, Quebec on January 25, 1912. He enlisted in the Army at the British Embassy in Santiago, Chile in July 1943. He served with the Royal Engineers in Africa, England, India and Burma. Heber was discharged in London on February 8, 1947. He was awarded a Mention in Dispatches, the Atlantic Star and Clasp, Burma Star, Defence Medal and War Medal 1939-1945.

BANDOLA, Dmitro "Tony" WWII

Tony was born in Elma, Manitoba on July 16, 1921. He enlisted in the Army in Flin Flon on February 26, 1943 and served with CABTC.

BANNERMAN, James Charles

James was born in Baldur, the son of George and Margaret Bannerman. He enlisted at Baldur, receiving his training in Winnipeg. He went overseas as a replacement for the 43rd Cameron Highlanders. Jim was an employee of Union Oil Co. and lived in Carmel, California. He married Elizabeth Johansen in 1929 and they had four children, Eleanor, Joyce, James G. and Arline.

BANTING, Leslie

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WWI

Leslie enlisted in the Air Force and served in Canada and overseas with the #17 SFTS, Service Flying Training Schools during World War II.



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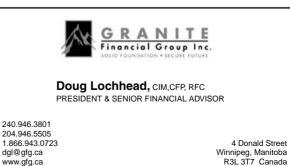




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BAPTISTE, Douglas C.

Douglas was born in Lethbridge, Alberta on May 17, 1923. He enlisted in the Air Force in Calgary on October 6, 1941. He served in Canada and Overseas during World War II. Douglas was discharged in Calgary on February 8, 1946. He married Leona and had two daughters, Bonnie Faye and Terry Leigh and one son Ronald H.

BARAN, Genic D.

Genic enlisted in the Air Force and served with #2 FIS, Flying Instructor School and #3 SFTS, Service Flying Training Schools as a Leading Aircraftman during World War II.

BARAN, Michael

Michael enlisted in the Air Force in 1941. He served with the #2 AOS, Air Observer School as a Wireless Gunner. Flight Sergeant Michael Baran was killed in action over Essen, Germany on June 16.

BARKER, Scott

PEACETIME

WWII

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WWII

Scott was born in Rosetown, Saskatchewan in 1962 and enlisted in the British Columbia Dragoons A Squadron in Kelowna, BC. In 1979, Scott took his basic training in Vernon, BC until 1983. He was remustered as a medical aide in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan with the #14 Medical Company. He then moved to Winnipeg, MB with the #15 Medical Company once again as a medical aide. Scott was transferred to the supplemental reserve list (discharged) in 1994 and in civilian life worked for an ambulance service and for the fire department. He currently sells fire trucks for Carriere Fire & Safety. Scott married Dawn Hanson and they have a girl and a boy and reside in Winnipeg.

BARLOW, Thomas

WWII

WWI

Thomas was born in England on February 28, 1911, the son of James and Sarah. He was married to Kathleen Hazel. Thomas enlisted in the Air Force in January 1941. He served overseas in Egypt and in India during World War II as a Wireless Operator/Air Gunner. Thomas was killed in action in India on February 17, 1944.

BARNES, Leonard

Leonard enlisted in Regina on April 11, 1916 and served with the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry. He was discharged on June 11, 1919.

BARON, Amile Joseph

KOREA

Amile was born in McCreary, Manitoba on April 5, 1932. He enlisted in the Army in Regina on August 15, 1950. He served with the 1st Regiment, Royal Canadian Horse Artillery in Canada, Japan and Korea. Amile was discharged in Winnipeg on August 19, 1953.

BEAUFOY, Anthony John Gurney WWII

"Tony" was born in Warwick, England, the son of Sydney and Lelia Beaufoy. On December 15, 1951 he married Salin Johannesson and they had four daughters, Patsy, Ursula, Lelia and Sydney. He enlisted in Winnipeg in 1939 and trained at A.E.S. Montreal #5, MD Lachine, EAC Halifax, #2 IC Winnipeg and was stationed at #1 OTS Ste Marguerite and #164 Squadron Moncton and overseas in England. He was discharged in 1943. Tony was employed as Technician at the Baldur Hospital at the time of his death on May 12, 1971. He was a member of The Royal Canadian Legion in Baldur, MB.

BEECH, Gerard McKee

WWII

Gerard was born on April 12, 1918 in Pilot Mound, Manitoba, the son of Gerard and Leonora Beech of North Vancouver, BC. He married Golda Thorpe (nurse at Ottawa Civic Hospital) in Ottawa in 1939. He enlisted in Ottawa with the RCAF and trained at Regina and Rivers. After going overseas as a Navigator he was stationed in England. Gerry was in the 1000th raid over Cologne and was reported missing in 1941. He was interested in sports and played on the Baldur Hockey team, finished high school in Baldur receiving a scholarship for general proficiency as well as the Isbister Scholarship.

BENEDICTSON, Kari H.

WWI

Kari was born in the RM of Argyle on April 11, 1889, the son of Bjorn B. and Sigridur Bjornson. They later moved to the Langruth, Manitoba district. In June 1918, he enlisted in Winnipeg and was immediately sent overseas. He was in England when the Armistice was signed and returned to Canada in July 1919. Kari changed the Benedictson name and was later known as Benson. He married an English bride, brought her to Canada and farmed at McCreary, MB; unfortunately, neither lived for very many years thereafter.



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BERGEN, C. Neil

Neil was born in Altona, Manitoba, the son of Jacob and Mary Bergen. He married Angele De Backer on September 30, 1944 and they had three daughters, Elizabeth, Donna and Valerie. Neil enlisted at Winnipeg and trained at Petawawa and #2 CARU and served overseas in Belgium, Holland and Germany. While in Baldur he was principal of the school from 1951 to 1955. He also worked as viceprincipal at R.D. Parker Collegiate.

BILES, Bertram William "Bert" WWI

Bertram was born in Hamworthy, Dorset, England, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Biles. He enlisted in Winnipeg in 1915 and served with the 45th Battalion overseas. Later, he joined a Corps of Stretcher Bearers in France. There he was wounded and suffered badly from shell shock. He was thus returned to England and on to Canada in 1917 when he was discharged as medically unfit. He obtained employment with the Postal Department in Winnipeg but succumbed to the flu in 1918. Bert came to Canada to the farm of Bill Christopherson in the early 1900's.

BILES, Fred D.

Fred was born in Hamworthy, Dorset, England, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Biles. He served in France as an observer with the Royal Air Corps following enlistment in England. In 1920, he married Bess Meech and they had two children, Audrey and Freda. Fred came from England in the early 1900's to the farm of the late Bill Christopherson. When war broke out, he went to enlist but was turned down. Being a very patriotic man, he immediately booked passage to England and re-enlisted there. Fred is now deceased.

BJORNSON, Edward

WWI

WWI

Edward was born on October 6, 1891 in the RM of Argyle, the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Bjornson. They moved to Wynyard, Saskatchewan where Edward enlisted on March 29, 1916 with the 223rd Battalion. In September 1917, he was sent to France and participated in the battles at Arras, Canal du Nord, Cambrai and Passchendaele. On signing the Armistice, he was sent to Germany. He returned to Canada and to his home in Wynyard in May 1919. In September 1942, Edward drowned while fishing in Lake Winnipeg.

BRADFORD, Wendell

WWII

WWII

WWI

Wendell was born in Belmont, Manitoba, the son of Tom and May Bradford. On July 27, 1948 he married Ada Davidson. They had two children, Patricia and Brenda. Wendell enlisted at Winnipeg and trained at Esquimalt and Comox, BC. He served overseas on combined operations - Landing Craft, HMCS Mimic, a Corvette HMS Nabob, aircraft carriers. They were torpedoed on HMS Nabob in August 1944. After the war, he resided at Ninette and was employed as a salesman by Investor Syndicate.

BRIDGE, Frank Howard

Frank was born in Carman, Manitoba on March 22, 1897, the son of Frank and Martha (McCullough) Bridge. He enlisted in Carman on January 13, 1916 with the 222nd Battalion, trained at Camp Hughes and left for overseas on November 1, 1916. He arrived in France on December 27, 1916 with the 44th Battalion, a Private Runner C. Co., Clerk. He was recommended for commission on August 22, 1916 and appointed Lieutenant at Bexhill-on-Sea, Officers Training School. He participated at Vimy Ridge, Lens, The Triangle, Arras, Hill 70, Passchendaele and Amiens. He returned to Canada and was discharged on February 6, 1919. On June 16, 1920 he married Ethel Miller. They had two sons, Douglas E. and Donald B. Frank had been an active Legionnaire, Past President of Carman Legion Branch 18, past member of Baldur Legion Branch 108, and Honourary Life Member of Branch 56, Deer Lodge, Winnipeg. Frank was manager of the Royal Bank of Canada, Baldur during the thirties and forties.

BRINKWORTH, Merle

PEACETIME Merle was born in Baldur, Manitoba in 1932, the son of Jack and Gertrude Brinkworth. On July 13, 1955 he married Marlene Sterling. They had a daughter, Donna, and two sons, Murray and Kenneth. He enlisted in Brandon on July 25, 1951 and trained at St. Jean and Aylmer, Ontario. He was stationed at Greenwood, NS; Hamilton, ON; Seven Islands, QC and Sudbury, ON and overseas with the 3rd Fighter Wing at Zweibrücken, Germany. Merle has been a member of The Royal Canadian Legion in Baldur.

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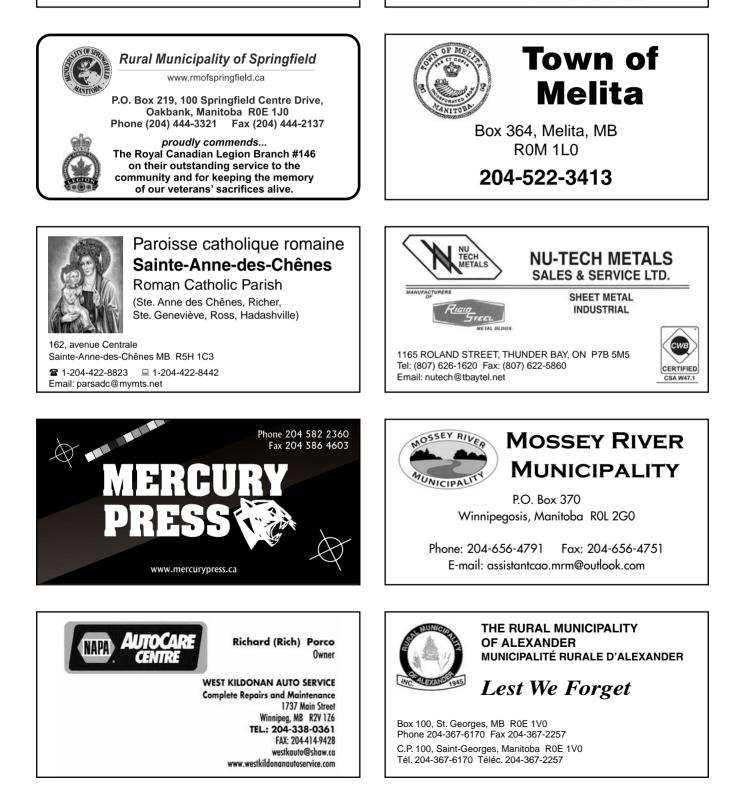
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BROWN. Andrew

Andrew was born in Dunlop, Scotland in 1882. He farmed in the Bagot, Manitoba area. Andrew joined the Army in April 1916 in Winnipeg. He left Halifax or England in August 1916 on the SS Scandinavian. Andrew served in England and France as a Corporal with the Canadian Army Medical Corps, 1st Field Ambulance. He was awarded the Military Medal and the Good Conduct Badge. After the war, Andrew left Southampton, England in April 1919 on the SS Olympic.

BULLION, Edward "Ed"

WWI

WWI

Edward was born in Broughty Ferry, Scotland, the son of Henry and Ellen Bullion. Ed enlisted at Baldur, trained in Winnipeg and served overseas in England and France where he was severely wounded in battle at the Arras Front. It is told that Amos Ward carried him from the fore of the front, back to aid. Ed married Margaret Chester on October 28, 1920. They had sons, Roy, lost over Burma during World War II; Donald E. (Brandon); Frank H. (Brandon); John W. (Dryden) and W. Clare (Brandon). Ed passed away in Brandon on December 6, 1970.

CAMPBELL, Andrew D.

WWI

Andrew was born in Edinburgh, Scotland in 1883. He immigrated to Canada in 1909. He worked as a Clerk in Brandon, Manitoba before joining the 43rd Manitoba Regiment in 1915. He transferred to the 27th Manitoba Regiment. He served in Canada, England and France during World War I. Andrew was killed in action on May 3, 1917 in Vimy, France. He has no known grave and his name is inscribed on the Vimy Ridge Memorial in France.

CARMICHAEL, George H.

WWI

George was born in Edinburgh, Scotland in 1891, the son of Alex and Alice Carmichael. George enlisted in Winnipeg in December 1914 and trained at Minto Barracks with the 43rd Battalion Cameron Highlanders. In 1915, he went overseas and was stationed at Folkstone, Seaford before going overseas to France. He was wounded in the Battle of the Somme in October 1916 and spent 1916 to 1917 in Manchester Hospital. He returned to Canada in January 1919 and came to the RM of Argyle, Baldur, in April 1919 and was retired on his farm. In October 1925 he married Emma Preston and they had three children, Kathleen, Hunter and George.

CHANT, James Harvey

WWI

James was born in MacGregor, Manitoba in 1887 where he was a farmer. He joined the Army in Winnipeg in December 1915 with the 144th Battalion. James had mumps in June 1916 while training in Canada. He sailed from Halifax in September 1916 on the SS Olympic, serving as a Private in England and was sent to France in January 1917 with the 44th Battalion. James was then transferred to the 4th Battalion in February 1917. He was wounded in both legs and his hand by shrapnel at Vimy on April 28, 1917. James was sent to a field hospital near Boulogne and then transferred to a hospital in England in May 1917 where he spent time recovering. He left Liverpool for Halifax in February 1918. James convalesced at the Deer Lodge Hospital in Winnipeg and was discharged on May 20, 1918. He later farmed in the Bagot, Manitoba area.

CHARETTE, Lewis

PEACETIME Lewis was born in Greenway, Manitoba, the son of Archie and Florence Charette, and resided in Kitimat, BC where he was employed as a welder. He enlisted in Winnipeg in 1951 until 1956 with the RCAF. He trained at St. John's and Camp Borden and was stationed at

CHRISTOPHERSON, Kjartan Lorne WWII

Summerside, PEI; Rivers, MB; and Cold Lake, AB.

Lorne was born in Crescent Beach, BC the son of Kjartan and Gudrun (Stoneson). On September 21, 1945 he married Gudrun H. (Abella) Snorradottir of Reykjavik, Iceland. They had one daughter, Stefani Anne. He enlisted in San Francisco in November 1940 in the US Army. He served overseas in Iceland, England, Normandy Invasion, Belgium and Germany. Three of Lorne's brothers served in the US Forces during World War II: Therodore Evan Christopherson, US Air Force; Sigurdur Thorstein Christopherson, US Army; and Henry Ellis Christopherson, US Air Force. He made his home Los Gatos, California and was employed in Building Land Development and Real Estate.

CHRISTOPHERSON, Sigurjon "John" WWI John was born in Grund, Manitoba on September 15, 1884, the son of Hernit and Thora Christopherson. John taught school both in Manitoba and in Saskatchewan then studied law, graduating in 1914. On March 4, 1918 he enlisted but served only in Canada receiving his discharge in April 1919. John practiced law in the Somerset Blk in Winnipeg for forty-four years. He passed away on April 29, 1967.



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DALMAN, Donald S.

KOREA

WWI

KOREA

WWII

Donald was born in Winnipeg, the son of Chris and Nita Dalman. He married Marie E. Ostap on December 13, 1950. They had two children, Teri and Brenda. He enlisted in Brandon and trained at Saint-Jean, Quebec and was stationed overseas in Germany, France, Belgium, Holland and Italy and served during the Korean War. He received a ten-year Service Medal.

DALZELL, Ronald Albert PEACETIME

Ronald was born in Baldur, Manitoba, the son of Gordon and Violet Dalzell. He lived in BC where he was employed with the Highway Department. On January 14, 1967, he married Darlene Schuk and they had a daughter, Roxanne Louise. He enlisted at Winnipeg and trained at Calgary and Currie Barracks.

DRYSDALE, Thomas "Tom"

Tom was one of four brothers from Glasgow, Scotland who worked as farm labourers south of Baldur, Manitoba. He enlisted with the 222nd at Baldur and went almost immediately overseas. He paid the supreme sacrifice on the battlefields of France.

EMBURY, Mervyn Arthur PEACETIME

Mervyn was born in Baldur, Manitoba, the son of Murray and Irene Embury. He married Peggy Sharmaine Christenson in Calgary in 1958. He enlisted in Regina in September 1965 and trained at Kingston and was stationed at Camp Borden, Nanaimo, BC and at other points in Canada.

EVERETT, Francis David

Francis was born in Baldur, Manitoba, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Everett. He lived in Port Clyde, NS where he was a Warrant Officer in the Canadian Armed Forces. In 1946, he married Aleta Desrochers. He enlisted in Winnipeg and trained at Chilliwack, BC, Victoria, Winnipeg, Shilo, Penhold and Barrington. He served overseas in Korea.

FAVEL, William

William, son of Joseph and Mary Ann Favel, was born on November 21, 1920 in High Bluff, Manitoba. He enlisted with the 37th Field Battery Royal Canadian Army in Portage la Prairie and was later transferred to the Algonquin Regiment Royal Canadian Infantry Corps. He spoke both English and Cree and had attained Grade 8. Private William Favel was killed in action on March 3, 1945 in Germany serving with the 2nd Echelon 21 Army Group with the rank of Sapper. Initially buried at Xanten, Wesel, North Rhine-Westphalia Germany, he was re-buried in 1956 to the Nijmegen Canadian Memorial Cemetery, four miles east of Nijmegen, Holland, Grave 15 Row D Plot 14. Favel Bay in northern Manitoba is named in his honour. He received the Canadian Volunteer Service Medal and Clasp, the 1939-1945 Star, the France and Germany Star, the Defence Medal and the War Medal 1939-1945. His mother, Mrs. Mary Favel received the Memorial Cross.

FINNBOGASON, Sigurdur "Siggi" WWI

Siggi was born on December 15, 1881 in Iceland, the son of Finnbogi and Johanna Sigmundason. Siggi enlisted in the 61st on June 7, 1915. He attained the rank of Sergeant. He participated in the battle at Somme, Vimy Ridge and Passchendaele and was wounded twice. He returned to Canada on September 23, 1919. Siggi was employed as a store clerk in Baldur before and after the war. Later, he went to Winnipeg where he passed away.

FISHER, Jack

WWI

WWI & WWI

Jack was born in Kingsdown, Kent, England. He was on duty at Whitehall in London with the Horse Dragoon Guards when World War I broke out and continued to serve with them in England. Previously, he had spent fourteen years with the Imperial Army in Egypt. In 1920, he married Margaret Gray in England. They had one son, Edwin (Ted) of Elm Creek and one daughter, Kathleen of Sandwich, Kent, England. Jack is deceased.

FLATT, William David

David was born on August 31, 1898 in Winnipeg, the son of Etta M. (Playfair) and James W. Flatt. He enlisted in Kelwood, Manitoba in January 1917 and went to train in Shorncliffe, England and on to battle in France where he attained the rank of Sergeant Major. In World War II, he enlisted in Winnipeg in January 1940 where he trained at Trenton, Ontario. He was later stationed in Ottawa, Quebec City; London, England, and with the #6 Bomber Group in Yorkshire, England. Bill was released from service in August 1946 with the rank of Wing Commander. While stationed in London, England, he served as director of Education (RCAF overseas). He retired on August 31, 1968 as Commissioner, Canadian Pension Commission, Ottawa, Ontario. Bill married Grace Gerrand on January 31, 1925. They had three children, William, Catherine and James. Bill resided in Ottawa.

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FORBES, Ross

PEACETIME

Ross was born in Crystal City, Manitoba, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Forbes. He enlisted in Winnipeg and trained at Saint-Jean, Quebec. He was stationed in Clinton, Aylmer, London and Ottawa, ON, Saskatoon, SK, Puntie Mountain, BC, Rivers, Gimli and Winnipeg. On August 15, 1959 he married Margaret McTavish (deceased) of Baldur. They had two daughters, Lynn and Cathy.

FREDERICKSON, Arman

WWI

WWI

Arman was born in the RM of Argyle on May 11, 1897, the son of Olgeir and Vilborg Frederickson. He enlisted with the 34th Fort Garry Horse on May 14, 1918 receiving his training there and in Eastern Canada and Montreal. He was discharged on August 15, 1919 at Winnipeg. Arman married Gudrun Storm on July 23, 1924. Arman was a proud member of The Royal Canadian Legion Fort Rouge Branch 97. He served in the Winnipeg Police Force for many years.

FREDERICKSON, Christine

Nurse Christine Frederickson was born in Iceland on July 9, 1896, the daughter of Fridrik and Gudlaug Frederickson. She came as a child to the RM of Argyle with her parents from Duluth, Minnesota, USA. She

took her nurses training at the Strathcona Hospital in Alberta and graduated on March 16, 1916. She enlisted in the Canadian Army Medical Corp and was at the Strathcona Hospital (Military Division) when she was stricken with the Spanish flu on October 24, 1918. Christine died four days later.

BOER WAR GALLOWAY, Emory Nelson

Emory was born in Creemore, Ontario in 1880, the son of Mr. and Mrs. William Galloway. His wife's name was Hattie and they had one son, Norman. Emory enlisted in Winnipeg with the Fort Garry Horse and was enroute to Capetown when the war terminated, however, he put in some time in Capetown. Emory is deceased.

GALLOWAY, Stanley Adair "Stan" WWI

Stanley was born in Pilot Mound, Manitoba on December 29, 1894, the son of Mr. and Mrs. William Galloway. He enlisted in Souris in 1915, training there and at Winnipeg and going overseas in 1916. He was promoted to Corporal and served with the Military police in Canada and for some time overseas and then served in several important battles including the last one in which the Germans capitulated. He was on the "Champion Tug-of-War Team" for all Canadian Forces for two years. In 1935 he married Nancy Johnston and they had two children, Bill and Mona. Stan is deceased.

GARRETT, Frank

WWI Frank was born on November 19, 1900 at Bushev Paddock Lodge, England. He enlisted with England's RAF on October 8, 1918 during World War I and served on the continent until 1919 as a transport driver in France, Belgium and mainly in Germany. He was discharged in January 1920. Frank moved to Canada in 1921 and was employed with Chas Hamilton until 1941 when he took employment with HB Mining and Smelting. He retired to Glenora, MB in 1966. Frank was a member of The Royal Canadian Legion in Baldur.

GARRETT, William "Bill"

WWI William was born on October 7, 1893 in Eastbourne,

Sussex, England. He came to Canada in April 1914 and went to work for Charlie Hamilton in Baldur. Bill joined the 222nd, trained at Camp Hughes and Bay of Fundy before going overseas two weeks later. Arriving in France he was transferred to the 8th Battalion Little Black Devils. He landed at Hanie; then on to De Bois, and Vimy Ridge and over the top on April 19, 1916. Being a runner, it was Bill's duty to help out the chaps who were shell shocked. On April 28 they went on to Arlsou and took over the Hindenburg Line. In August 1918 they topped Hill 70. Their return was on foot, mostly under the cover of darkness; but on September 2, 1918, Bill was wounded. He returned to England and home to Canada and was discharged in 1919. He went back to Hamilton's but in 1920 bought his own farm in Glenora where he farmed until 1968 when he retired. Bill passed away in 1971 after a lengthy illness and is buried in Baldur. He was a member of The Royal Canadian Legion in Baldur.

GARWOOD, Paul

WWII

Paul was born in Lisbon, Ohio, USA; the son of H. Garwood. Paul enlisted in the Canadian Army at Toronto, took his training there and in England. He served in Continental Europe, including France, Belgium, Holland, Germany and in Poland. They were attached to an English regiment of Husars. Following the armistice he served eighteen months with the occupational troops on the Mediterranean, being stationed at Friesta. In 1968, he married Joyce Kavaner. They had two children, Mrs. Mavis Howell of Cartwright and Robert Kavaner of Smiley, Saskatchewan. In 1972, Paul took over the Baldur Bake and Coffee Shop.



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GOETHALS, Lloyd Mark

PEACETIME

Lloyd was born in Swan Lake, Manitoba, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lionel Goethals. He lived at Edmonton where he is a Navigator in the Canadian Armed Forces. On August 17, 1969 he married Grace Lavitzkie and they had three sons Lloyd, Lionel and Charles. He enlisted at St. Jean, Quebec and was stationed at St. Jean Kingston, Winnipeg and Edmonton. At one point, he was with the 435 (T) Squadron (Hercules).

GOODMAN, Jonas Bjorn Peter "Pete" WWI

Jonas was born in Iceland on July 27, 1878, the son of Benoni and Margaret Gudmundson. Pete was a travelling salesman before enlisting on November 30, 1915. He served for some time in France, returning to Canada in February 1918. He worked for the Soldier's Settlement Board and farmed on the marsh island south of Glenboro. Pete's wife's name was Becky. Pete served as municipal councillor for the RM of Argyle for many years. Pete passed away on August 24, 1934.

GOODMANSON, Gudmundar Einar "Mundi" WWII

Mundi was born in Baldur, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Hans Goodmanson. In April 1947 he married Jean Steele of Glenboro and they had two children, Linda and Warren. He enlisted at Winnipeg in 1941 and trained at Brandon. He was stationed at Guelph and Clinton, Ontario and served overseas in England on the Bomber Command at Gilbraltar Coastal Command, Belgium Transport Command and was discharged in November 1945.

GORDON, Donald Ross "Donny" PEACETIME

Donny was born in Baldur, Manitoba, the son of Gerald and Hortense Gordon. In June 1958, he married Dorothy Rose Bella of Melville, SK and they had three children, Kathryn, Deborah and Gerald. Donny enlisted in Winnipeg and trained at Quebec, Ontario and Vancouver. He was stationed overseas in France and North Africa. He was discharged in 1959.

GORDON, Robert C.

PEACETIME

Robert was born in Baldur, Manitoba, the son of Gerald and Hortense Gordon. He enlisted in Winnipeg in March 1953 with the RCAF and trained at St. Jean, QC and Clinton, ON. He was stationed at Goose Bay, Labrador; Frobisher Bay, NWT, Centralia, ON and AFHQ in Ottawa. After service, he was employed as a Service Representative for IBM Canada Ltd. In 1958 he married Marjorie Stephens and they have three children, Laura, Cheryl and Brian.

GREEN, Albert Alfred

WWI

Albert was born in London, England in 1882 and came to Canada as a young man in 1910. In 1907, he married Gertrude Franklin and they lived at Neelin, Manitoba. Their children were Horace, Rose, Ivey, Edmund and Alfred. Albert enlisted in 1916 in Winnipeg with the 100th Grenadier Guards during World War I. He was killed in France in 1917. He had, however, seen twelve years of service with the Royal Marines at Gibraltar. He was a champion boxer in the middle-weight division.

GUDNASON, Holmgeir "Hommi" WWI

Holmgeir was born in Baldur, Manitoba on May 7, 1897, the son of Thorlakur and Inga Gudnason. He enlisted in Baldur on January 12, 1918, trained at Brandon and Seaforth, England. He served at the Battle of Cambrai and was returned to Canada in July 1919. In 1924, he married Herborg Kristjanson in Wynyard, Saskatchewan. They had four children, Clarence, Victor, Hellen and Linda. Hommi changed his name from Gudnason to Holmes. They lived in Wynyard from 1924 to 1953, the time of his death.

GUDNASON, Jacob "Kobbi"

Jacob was born on May 27, 1892 in Baldur, Manitoba, the son of Thorlakur and Inga Gudnason. He enlisted in Baldur in February 1916 and sailed to England in November and on to France in February 1917. He served at Vimy Ridge in France where he was wounded in April 1917. He returned to battle but ill health caused his return to Canada in December 1918. Kobbi farmed seven miles north of Baldur until retirement to Glenboro where he lived with his wife Kristin (Kristjanson) whom he married in 1933. They had one son, Arnold Kenneth Gudnason. Kobbi passed away on November 1, 1971.

HALL, George

George was born in Morden, Manitoba, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hall. In 1942, he married Pearle Harper and they had three children, Wilda, Carol and Glen. George enlisted in Brandon, trained at Shilo and was stationed at Petawawa, Ontario. He held the rank of Sergeant.

HAMILTON, Stewart

Stewart was born in Carnduff, Saskatchewan, the son of J.A. and Jennie Hamilton. He farmed near Glenboro, Manitoba. In July 1950, he married Eva Smith and they had eight children, Heather, Albert, Glen, Ronald, David, Ricky, Janice and Lorna. Stewart enlisted in Winnipeg and trained at Edmonton and Lethbridge.

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HAVARD. William

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William was born in Radnorshire County, Wales in 1887 and was a farm labourer in Bagot, Manitoba after he moved to Canada. He joined the Army with the 1st Depot Battalion Manitoba in July 1918 in Brandon, Manitoba. William was a Private with the 78th Battalion. William was discharged on January 14, 1919.

HEDLEY, Thomas Rendall

Rendall was born in Glenboro, Manitoba, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hedley. He enlisted in Scarborough, Ontario in 1916. He trained in Brandon, Manitoba and was sent over to England, France and Belgium, serving with the 52nd Canadian Infantry. On December 8, 1931, he married Vera Harris of Swan Lake, Manitoba. They had two sons, Rendall "Hal" and Terry. Rendall was employed as a United Grain Growers agent at Greenway for many years prior to retirement in Brandon where he died in 1968.

HELGASON. Arni Soffanias

Arni was born in Bru on July 1, 1884, the son of Joseph and Gudrun Helgason. He enlisted with the 184th Battalion in Winnipeg on February 29, 1916, going overseas in April 1917. He participated at Passchendaele and Amiens. He was wounded twice and returned home in January 1919 where he established as a merchant at Langruth, Manitoba. In 1921, he married Jonasena Goodman and was killed in a car accident in 1922. One daughter, Sylvia, was born shortly after the accident.

HIGHFIELD, Frank Clark

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Frank was born in Sheffield, Yorkshire, England on July 28, 1887. He enlisted in the Army with the 32nd Manitoba Horse, RHA and served in England and France during World War I. He transferred from the 27th Battalion to the 45th Battalion in 1916 and was discharged in 1919. He returned to Canada in 1918 deaf in both ears and his right forearm wounded and a nasal obstruction from gas. He was angry the rest of his life, which was called shell shock. He loved the path he took in getting involved in the start of the Legion in Canada after the war. Frank passed away in 1964.

HILL, James Arthur "Art"

James was born in Hilton, Manitoba on February 25, 1892, the son of James and Alice (Henry) Hill. Art enlisted on December 24, 1915. He trained and received further training in England prior to service in Northern Africa, Palestine, Italy and France. He was discharged on September 16, 1919. In 1930, Art married Olive Lillian Little. They had three children, Shirley, Raymond and James. Art operated the Monarch Lumber in Baldur for many years, moved to

Winnipeg briefly, and then returned to Baldur to operate his General Store. He retired to Hilton where he passed away.

HILL, James "Jimmy"

RCMP

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Jimmy was born in Baldur, Manitoba, the son of Mr. and Mrs. J.A. Hill. On August 30, 1958 he married Ann Bryce Errington. They had one son, David Grant. Jim enlisted in the RCMP at Winnipeg in 1955 and trained in Ottawa and Regina. He had been stationed at Shellbrook, Prince Albert, Melfort, Island Falls, Yorkton, Wadena, Vonda and Morse, all in Saskatchewan.

HJALMARSSON, Bjorn

Bjorn was born in Bru in 1888, the son of Jon and Anna Hjalmarsson. He enlisted in the spring of 1916 in the 223rd Battalion. On his return from the front, he taught school in Manitoba and Saskatchewan, being a graduate of Wesley College, Winnipeg; and was the first Canadian of Icelandic descent to be appointed inspector of Schools and is also recorded as having at one time been one of Canada's youngest school inspectors. He resided in Wynyard for many years before his death. Bjorn married Sigrun Frederickson. They had two children, Glenn and Carol, as well as two adopted sons, Arthur and Norman.

HJARMARSON, Dr. Numi

WWI

Numi was born in Grafton, North Dakota in 1896, the son of Finnbogi and Olaf Hjarmarson. He spent some time in Baldur while attending high school. He enlisted in Winnipeg and was sent as part of an emergency troop train to Halifax during the Halifax disaster of 1917. Their duties were to clear the waterfront of wounded and debris. He said a great many of the injuries were sustained from splintered glass by people who were beyond the actual blast area. While in service, he was awarded the Sharpshooters Medal. He spent the major portion of his professional life as a Physician in Lundar, Manitoba. In 1926, he married Sigridur (Sarah) Stephanon and they had four children, Leo, John, Arman and Grace. Numi passed away in 1966.

HOLMES, David V.

PEACETIME David was born in Morden, Manitoba, the son of George and Pearl Holmes. He lived in Surrey, BC where he was employed as a carpenter. In February 1962 he married and he and his wife Marjorie had four children, George, David, Nancy and Daniel. David enlisted at HMCS Chippawa in Winnipeg in 1956 and trained at HMCS Cornwallis and stationed at HMCS Waden, HMCS Cayuga and HMCS St. Laurent. He served for four years and five months at sea. David was a member of The Royal Canadian Legion Branch 2.

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HOMICK, Peter

Peter was born in Roland, Manitoba, son of Geo and Jean Homick. In October 1950, he married Mildred Pearl Haines and they had three children, Diana Lynne, Douglas Wayne and Norma Elaine. He enlisted in Winnipeg and trained at Fort Garry, Shilo, Barrie and Dundurn, Saskatchewan. He made his home in Fisher Branch, Manitoba where he worked as a foreman.

HUTTON, Stewart

Stewart was born in Minnedosa, Manitoba, the son of Margaret and Leslie Hutton who lived in Carman. He enlisted in Winnipeg with the Peacetime Navy, trained at CFB Cornwallis, NS and was stationed at Esquimalt, BC. His father was the United Church Minister in Baldur for some time.

ISFELD, Hringur

Hringur was born in the RM of Argyle on April 12, 1897, the son of Kristjan and Helga Isfeld. He enlisted in January 1918 and went overseas in April. He was severely wounded in the shoulder at Cambrai in September 1918 and returned to Canada in March 1919. On May 16, he married Steinlaug Gudnason (deceased 1953) and on September 16, 1961 he married Blanche McDougall. By his first marriage he had three children, Steingrimur, Inga Sigurdson (deceased 1955) and Kristin Thomasson. Hringur made his home in St. Vital where he was employed by Eaton's for many years before ill health forced hospitalization at Deer Lodge Veterans Hospital.

ISTED (HISCOCK), Alice

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Alice was born in Baldur, Manitoba, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Hiscock Sr. She married Geo in 1943. They had seven children: John, Phyllis, James, Douglas, Gerald, Arthur and Rose. She enlisted in Winnipeg in March 1943 and trained at Rockcliffe and Toronto. She worked in the office at Rockcliffe with the air squadron who were flying the mail overseas. After the war, she resided in Regina.

JANSEN, John

WWI

John was born in London, England in 1894 and worked on a farm in the Bagot, Manitoba area. He joined the Army in February 1916 in Winnipeg with the 190th Battalion CEF. He was a Sergeant with the 1st and 1001st Division Cyclist Platoon, serving in Canada. John was discharged for being medically unfit due to flat feet. He re-enlisted in June 1917 and was discharged on August 23, 1919.

JANZ, Victor Edward "Vick" WWII

Vick was born in Souris, Manitoba the son of Mr. and Mrs. George Janz. He enlisted at Portage and was

stationed at Red Deer, Alberta, going overseas to serve in England, France, Belgium and Holland. In 1945 he married Adrienne Calpaert of Belgium and they had three sons: William, Dennis and Jerry. After service they lived in Baldur, where Victor was the Grain Buyer for the Pool Elevator. Vick was a member of The Royal Canadian Legion in Baldur.

JEWSBURY, Frank Edward PEACETIME

Frank was born in Glenboro, Manitoba, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Endsor Jewsbury. He enlisted at Royal Military College, Kingston, and trained at RMC, RCSME Vedder Crossings, BC and Ottawa and served overseas at Lewiston, Idaho and in Egypt and England.

JOHANNESSON, George

WWII

George was born in Baldur, Manitoba, the son of George and Gudlaug Johannesson. In 1941 he married Peggy McLean in Edmonton. They had two sons, James and Erik. He enlisted at Edmonton and trained at Toronto, HMCS York and Halifax and HMCS Stadacona. George lived in White Rock, BC and was employed as an airline pilot.

JOHANNESSON, Johannes "Joe" WWI

Johannes was born in the RM of Argyle on May 2, 1891, the son of Thorfinnur and Karolina Rannveig Johannesson. Joe enlisted in Winnipeg with the 223rd Battalion on March 14, 1917. He served only in Canada and was honourably discharged from service on account of ill health. He was a Life Member of the Baldur Legion. He worked as a labourer in Baldur all his life. Joe died on December 21, 1968 and is buried in Baldur Cemetery.

JOHANNESSON, Konrad "Konnie" WWI

Lieutenant Konrad Johannesson was born in the RM of Argyle on August 10, 1896, the son of Jonas and Rosa Johannesson. He enlisted on March 19, 1916 in Winnipeg with the 223rd Battalion. He trained at Camp Borden, going overseas in 1917. In England, he transferred to the Royal Air Force and was sent to Egypt to become a Flying Instructor. He returned to Canada on May 19, 1919. In 1920, he won fame with the Falcon Hockey Team that won the World Championship in the Olympic Games in Antwerp, Holland. In May 1921, he married Holmfridur (Freda) Elizabeth Margaret Johannesson. Their children were two sons and two daughters - Kenneth George (deceased), Constance Lillian, Emma Lenore and Brian Jonas. Konnie was a graduate in Engineering at the UofM. He was the first instructor in Flying at the Winnipeg Flying Club. Later, he had his own "Johannesson Flying Service" in Rivercrest, Manitoba. Konnie passed away on October 25, 1968.



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JOHNSON, John "Jackie"

John was born in Baldur, Manitoba, the son of John M. and Ena Johnson. In 1949 he married Amelia Coppen and they had five children. He enlisted in Regina, Saskatchewan with the Canadian Army Infantry Corp and trained at Dundurn, SK and was stationed at Camp Borden, Ontario. Prior to enlisting in the Army, he served two years with the RCMP and two years following his discharge from the Army. In 1949, he joined the RCAF in which he served until becoming a victim of accidental death on November 19, 1964 in Edmonton.

JOHNSON, Thomas "Tom"

WWI

RCMP

Thomas Sr. was born in Baldur, Manitoba on June 26, 1891, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Christian Johnson. Tom enlisted on April 23, 1917; serving in England until his return to Canada in May 1919. On November 19, 1924 he married Dora Landy. They had one daughter Shirley and Thomas. Tom Sr. studied law before enlisting in the Army. On his return he took over his father's implement business in Baldur, as well as the General Motor Agency, which he retired from in 1946. They moved to Winnipeg. He passed away on October 3, 1953.

JONASSON, Haraldur D. "Halli" WWI

Haraldur was born on November 10, 1884 in Iceland, the son of David and Ragnhildur Jonasson. Halli enlisted with the 194th on March 20, 1916. He participated at Amiens, Arras and Cambrai. He was the victim of wounds and returned to Canada on March 31, 1919. In 1906 Halli married Sigurveig Johnson and had three children; Alla, Dora and Herman David, air gunner, killed over Berlin in 1944. Halli was a plasterer by trade. He is deceased.

JONASSON, Jonas T.

WWI

Jonas was born in Iceland in 1890; the son of Thorlakur and Kristrun Jonasson. Jonas enlisted in the 108th Battalion in February 1916. He trained at Selkirk and Camp Hughes; went overseas in 1916. He served in England, attaining the rank of Lieutenant. He was discharged in 1917 due to defective eyesight. Jonas was an accomplished teacher. He lived in RM Argyle from 1893 to 1909.

JONES, Clarence William "Clare" WWII

Clare was born in Treherne, Manitoba, the son of Mr. and Mrs. George Jones. In 1952, he married Evelyn Graham and they had two daughters, Doreen and Coreen, and a son, Gordon. Clare enlisted at Fort Osborne and trained at Portage, Camp Shilo and was stationed at Edmonton, Calgary and Woodstock, Ontario. He farmed in the Baldur area after the war.

JONES, Jerry

WWII

Jerry was born in Winnipeg, Manitoba, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward John Jones. In April 1970, he married Alma Berry and lived in Glenboro. Jerry had two children, Geraldine and Tom. He enlisted at New Westminster and trained at Vernon, Vancouver; Windsor and Debert, Nova Scotia and served overseas at Aldershot and Borden.

JOSEPHSON, Hallgrimur Julius "Grimsi"

WWI

Hallgrimur was born on July 4, 1872, the son of Josef and Malfridur Josephson. He joined the 223rd Battalion on May 21, 1916; sailed to England and was wounded in a raid over Shorncliffe and thus never reached the front. He returned to Canada in 1917 and started farming in Elfros, Saskatchewan. He had one daughter. He was a member of the Great War Veterans' Association in Yorkton, SK, and a member of the Canadian Order of Forresters. Hallgrimur passed away on April 29, 1929.

JOSEPHSON, Vilhjalmur

WWI

Vilhjalmur was born in the RM of Argyle on July 31, 1896, the son of Bjorn and Gudny Josephson. He enlisted in May 1918 with the 10th Battalion doing road work clearing and construction work. He went overseas in June 1918 returning one year later. He went to Saskatchewan as a Grain Buyer for UGG; then homesteaded in the Carrot River area. Vilhjalmur passed away in 1934.

KELLY, E. J. "Ted"

WWII

WWI

Ted was born in Glenboro, Manitoba, the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Kelly formerly of Neelin, Manitoba. He enlisted in Winnipeg in May 1940 and trained in St. Thomas and was stationed at Moncton, New Brunswick and Gimli and served overseas with the 120 Fighter Wing in Belgium and Germany. After service, he lived in Winnipeg and was employed as an aircraft mechanic with Bristol Aerospace.

KENNEY, Fred L.

Fred was born in Pilot Mound, Manitoba, the son of Mr. and Mrs. G.P. Kenny of the Dry River district. He enlisted in Baldur, trained there and at Camp Shilo and at Epsom Downs, England. He was wounded at Vimy in France which terminated further action. He married Jessie Ballantine, of Glenora. They had five children, Mable, Fred, Dorean, Lillian and Ruth. Fred passed away about 1966.





KENNY, Joseph Norman

Joseph was born in Pilot Mound, Manitoba in 1893, the son of Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Kenny of Dry River. He enlisted and trained at Baldur; receiving further training at Fackstow, England. He was two years and ten months in France in Canadian Headquarters on General Staff, as a driver. Norman married May Lee of Swan Lake. They had five children, Ralph, Oliver, Nellie, Beatrice and Eileen.

KIMBER, Ron

Ron was born in Sheffield, England. He enlisted in Winnipeg in 1941 and trained at Brandon and served overseas in the United Kingdom and Continental Europe. In August 1946, he married Grace Ridgeway. They resided in Vancouver, where he was employed as a bartender. He had one daughter, Barbara, and three sons: Art, Owen and Guy.

KING, Ronald

Ronald was born in Neelin, Manitoba the son of Charles and Anne King. In 1953 he married Blanche Simmons and they had three children: Ron, Linda and Brenda. He trained at Aylmer and Trenton, Ontario and was stationed in England, Winnipeg, BC and with the 3rd Fighter Wing in Germany and with the Bomarc Squadron at North Bay.

LOCKERBY, Melvin John

Melvin was born in Winnipeg, the son of David Wm. and Marie Lockerby. He married Irene Cobbe of Baldur and lived in Richmond, BC after his service. They had two children, one son, Leonard, and one daughter, Mrs. R. Henwood of Toronto. He enlisted at Saskatoon on November 2, 1940 and trained at Brandon, Saskatoon, Vancouver and Newfoundland. He was discharged as Sergeant in October 1945 after two years as an Aero Engine Mechanic and three years as Diesel Fitter. After discharge, he worked on Construction Millwright and a hobby farmer with eleven acres of blueberries and some 7000 Scotch Pine trees.

MACKLIN, Harold Frank

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Harold was born in Cypress River, Manitoba on September 29, 1895, the son of William and Susan Macklin. He enlisted in Baldur in 1916 and received his training at Camp Hughes. He served abroad in England, France and Germany. He was a Life Member of The Royal Canadian Legion, Baldur

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Branch 108. On February 10, 1926 he married Leorinda Olive Odell. They had two daughters, Muriel Irene and Ruby Eileen. Harold died in Deer Lodge on January 28, 1955 and is buried in Baldur Cemetery.

MADSEN, Neils Heaton Greenwood RCMP

Neils was the son of Mr. and Mrs. N. Madsen, long time Pool Elevator operator in Baldur. Neils joined the RCMP upon completion of High School. He spent most of his service time in Alberta where he resided in Westlock from 1947 to 1952; in charge of Mercoal detachment from 1952 to 1957; Lamont detachment from 1957 to 1962; Lethbridge Readers Branch until transferred to Edmonton where he passed away early in 1972. Neils and his wife Irene Mae had four children, Linda Gail, Niels Thomas, John Charles and Robert Brian.

MASSON, Hugh

Hugh was born in Pilot Mound, Manitoba the son of Charles and Edith Masson. On April 25, 1953 he married Neetlje Van der Stoel and they had six children, Donald, Brenda, Eraine, Eric, Bruce and Calvin. Hugh enlisted at Fort Osborne in 1944 and served at various prison camps in northeastern Ontario. "Our communications were quite slow and the first I heard of the atom bomb being dropped and Japan surrendering was close to two weeks after when reading in the Free Press Prairie Farmer".

MATHERS, Robert

Robert, the son of John and Agnes Mathers was born in Baldur, Manitoba in March 1921. In 1941, Bob joined the Fort Garry Regiment taking his training at Fort William and Camp Borden before going overseas in 1942. Bob lived in Prince Albert, Saskatchewan. He and his wife had a son and a daughter.

McDOUGALD, Roy O.

Roy was born in Elmore, Saskatchewan, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Duncan McDougald. On June 24, 1942 he married Winnifred Moores and they had a son, Allan, and a daughter, Margaret. Roy was manager of Revelstoke Lumber. He enlisted in Winnipeg with the RCAF and trained at Brandon and was stationed at Pierce, Alberta, Souris, Carberry and Calgary. He was a member of The Royal Canadian Legion in Baldur.

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McDOUGALL, J. Dan

J. Dan McDougall was born in 1901. He enlisted in the Army and served with the 217th Battalion in Canada during World War I. He was a charter member of Minto Royal Canadian Legion Branch 201 and was a member of The Royal Canadian Legion Brandon Branch 3. He passed away in 1964.

McEACHEN, Earl

Earl was born in 1903. He served with the Royal Canadian Artillery in Canada during World War II. He was a member of The Royal Canadian Legion Brandon Branch 3 for 25 years. Earl passed away in 1993.

McEWING, James

James was born in the Rural Municipality of Elton, Manitoba in 1915. He enlisted in the Army and served with the Fort Garrys in France, Belgium, Holland and Germany during World War II. He was a ten-year member of The Royal Canadian Legion Brandon Branch 3. James passed away in 1993.

McGILL, William M.

William was born in Deloraine, Manitoba in 1909. He enlisted in the Army and served with the Lake Superior Regiment in Canada, the United Kingdom and Continental Europe during World War II. He was a member of The Royal Canadian Legion Brandon Branch 3 for 25 years. William passed away in 1997.

McKAY, George Douglas

Private George McKay was born on January 23, 1894 in Portage la Prairie, Manitoba to Colin McKay and Catherine Ann Smith. He enlisted on August 4, 1915 with the 1st Canadian Mounted Rifles (Saskatchewan Regiment). He embarked on April 24, 1916, arriving in Liverpool on May 5, 1916. George served with the 79th Battalion, landing in France on June 7, 1916. He fought at the Battle of the Somme, attacking German lines in the trenches north-west of Courcelette, France; the Le Sars line, Regina Trench and Kenora Trench. The 1st Canadian Division attacked on October 8, at 4:50 am, in cold rain. Canadians had suffered 770 casualties out of 1100 men and taken 240 prisoners. Private McKay was killed in action on October 11, 1916. His final resting place is unknown. He is listed on the Vimy Memorial Wall, Vimy, Pas-de-Calais, France.

McKAY, Russell L.

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Russell was born in 1923. He served with the Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders and served in Canada, the

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United Kingdom and Continental Europe during World War II. He was a member of The Royal Canadian Legion Brandon Branch 3 for fourteen years. Russell passed away in 1982.

McKENZIE, Charles R.

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Charles was born in Portage la Prairie, Manitoba in 1895. He enlisted in the Army and served in Canada, the United Kingdom and Continental Europe with the 2nd Brigade during World War II. He was a member of The Royal Canadian Legion Brandon Branch 3. Charles passed away in 1975.

McKENZIE, William Cyril

WWII

William was born in Oak River, Manitoba in 1914. He enlisted in the Army and served in World War II with the Lord Strathcona Horse in Canada, the United Kingdom, Continental Europe and the Mediterranean. William passed away in 1990 and was a 24-year member of The Royal Canadian Legion Brandon Branch 3.

McLAREN, John R.

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John was born in Heure, Saskatchewan in 1915. He enlisted in the Army with the Royal Canadian Horse Artillery (RCHA). He served in the United Kingdom, Continental Europe and the Central Mediterranean during World War II. John passed away in 1987 and was an eight-year member of The Royal Canadian Legion Brandon Branch 3.

McLEAN, William James

William was born in Pilot Mound, the son of Aaron and Susan McLean. He married Winnifred Elizabeth Neighbour and they had six children. He enlisted in Winnipeg in 1942 and retired from the Army in 1967.

McLENNAN, Donald

Donald was born in Ripley, Ontario, the son of Murdock and Christy McLennan. He enlisted in Fort Frances, Ontario on January 5, 1916 with the 141st Battalion, training there and in Port Arthur before going overseas. He was stationed at Dibgate Camp, England before serving with the 8th Canadian Infantry in France, Belgium and finally Cologne in Germany. He was discharged on April 24, 1919 in London, Ontario. On June 17, 1937 he married Gertrude Soffer in Angola, Indiana. They had one son, the Rev. Donald Bruce McLennan. Donald spent some time in the Greenway District and retired in Ripley on April 1, 1971.



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McNEE, James

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James was born in Scotland in 1906. He served with the RCE in Canada, the United Kingdom, Continental Europe and the Mediterranean during World War II. James passed away in 1974 and was a twelve-year member of The Royal Canadian Legion Brandon Branch 3.

McROBERTS, Edward J.

Edward was born in Canada in 1916. He served in World War II with the Royal Canadian Horse Artillery (RCHA) in Canada, the United Kingdom and Continental Europe. Edward passed away in 1977 and was an eight-year member of The Royal Canadian Legion Brandon Branch 3.

MENZIES, Donald J.

Donald was born in Oakburn, Manitoba in 1914. He enlisted in the Army and served with the Westminster Infantry. Donald served in Canada, the United Kingdom and the Central Mediterranean during World War II. He passed away in 1980. Donald was a sixteen-year member of The Royal Canadian Legion Brandon Branch 3.

MERINO, Anthony

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Anthony was born in Teulon, Manitoba in 1917. He served with the RCASC during World War II in Canada and England. Anthony passed away in 1982 and was a twelve-year member of The Royal Canadian Legion Brandon Branch 3.

MESNEY, David "Dave"

Dave was born in Reymerston, Scotland on December 4, 1884, the son of David M. and Mary Elizabeth (High) Mesney. Dave enlisted in Baldur on March 4, 1916 with the 222nd. He trained in Baldur and saw action in France for three years with the First Canadian Mounted Rifles to which he transferred upon arrival overseas. He returned home in 1919.

MIDDLETON, Sterling R.

Sterling was born in Grand Manan, New Brunswick in 1924. He enlisted in the Army and served with the RCA during World War II in Canada and Continental Europe. Sterling passed away in 1981 and was a five-year member of The Royal Canadian Legion Brandon Branch 3.

MILLER, John S.

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John was born in Napinka, Manitoba in 1914. He enlisted in the Army and served during World War II

with DDOS 1^{er} Corps in Canada, the United Kingdom and Continental Europe. John passed away in 1992 and was a nineteen-year member of The Royal Canadian Legion Brandon Branch 3.

MILNE, Alex

Alex was born in Carberry, Manitoba in 1897. He served with The Royal Canadian Army Service Corps in Continental Europe. Alex passed away in 1983 and was a 27-year member of The Royal Canadian Legion Brandon Branch 3.

MILNE, George A.

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George was born in Lenore, Manitoba in 1917. He served in the Royal Canadian Air Force during World War II in Canada. George passed away in 1980 and was a 29-year member of The Royal Canadian Legion Brandon Branch 3.

MILNE, Ivan T.

Ivan was born in Carberry, Manitoba in 1908. He enlisted in the RCASC with the Perth Regiment. He served during World War II in Canada, the United Kingdom, Continental Europe and Italy. Ivan passed away in 1991 and was a 43-year member of The Royal Canadian Legion Brandon Branch 3.

MITCHELL, Melvin J.

Melvin was born in 1922 in Canada. He enlisted in The Royal Canadian Army Medical Corps and served in Canada, the United Kingdom and Continental Europe during World War II. Melvin passed away in 1983 and was an eighteen-year member of The Royal Canadian Legion Brandon Branch 3.

MITCHELL, Thomas W.

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Thomas was born in Canada in 1916. He served in the Army with the 28th Field Company, Royal Canadian Engineers in Canada, the United Kingdom and Continental Europe during World War II. Thomas passed away in 1973 and was an eleven-year member of The Royal Canadian Legion Brandon Branch 3.

MOAR, Donald J.

Donald was born in 1907 in Pigeon Bluff, Manitoba. He served during World War II in the Royal Canadian Army Medical Corps in Canada. Donald passed away in 1974 and was a fourteen-year member of The Royal Canadian Legion Brandon Branch 3.



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MONTGOMERY, David J.

David was born in 1924 in Brandon, Manitoba. He served in the Navy during World War II on the Atlantic. David passed away in 1994 and was a 23-year member of The Royal Canadian Legion Brandon Branch 3.

MONTROY, George

George was born in Rock Lake, Manitoba, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Montroy. He enlisted in Winnipeg in 1939. He served in Jamaica, was a Prisoner of War in Hong Kong for two years and also served in Japan until V.J. Day, August 15, 1945. On February 14, 1947 he married Ida Mary Rose De Carle and resided at Riverton where George was a Manager of the Riverton Credit Union and his wife was an employee of the Post Office for ten years. They had two children.

MOORE, Orville

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Orville was born in the Municipality of Strathcona, the son of Robert and Isabelle Moore. He married Bertha Baker in September 1945 and after service resided at Stockton, Manitoba. They had five children. He enlisted at Calgary in 1941 and trained at Borden and served overseas in the United Kingdom, Sicily and Italy.

MORRISON, Milton J.

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Milton was born in Carman, Manitoba in 1924. He served in the Army (RCA) during World War II in Canada, Italy, Northwest Europe and the Middle East. Milton passed away in 1992 and was a forty-year member of The Royal Canadian Legion Brandon Branch 3.

MOYLES, David Arthur WWI, WWI & SPECIAL DUTY AREA

David was born in 1890 in Mountmellick, Queens Co., Ireland. He enlisted in the Army and served in World War I with the Irish Guards in France and England. He re-enlisted in World War II and served in Canada at the Regina 120 Training Centre. He was awarded the Military Cross. David passed away in 1981 and was a fifty-year member of The Royal Canadian Legion Brandon Branch 3.

MUNSON, Clarence R.

WWII

Clarence was born in Newdale, Manitoba in 1923. He served in the Royal Canadian Air Force during World War II in Europe. He was a twenty-year member of The Royal Canadian Legion Brandon Branch 3. Clarence passed away in 1992.

MURRAY, Alexander

Alexander was born in Portage la Prairie, Manitoba in 1922. He served during World War II with the South Saskatchewan Regiment in Canada, the United Kingdom and Continental Europe. He was a fifteenyear member of The Royal Canadian Legion Brandon Branch 3. Alexander passed away in 1989.

MURRAY, David

David was born in Scotland, the son of James and Annie Murray. On December 22, 1937 he married Lena Ballantine, the youngest daughter of Duncan Ballantine. They had a daughter, Jeanette, born in Glenora, and a son, James. He enlisted in Winnipeg with The Royal Canadian Army Service Corps in June 1942 and went up as a Sergeant and retired in 1965 as Warrant Officer Class 2. David farmed the Jack Crayston farm for two years. He also was employed as an Equipment Operator with CNR.

MURRAY, Donald

Donald was born in Dunrea, Manitoba in 1913. He enlisted in the Royal Canadian Artillery, 14 Field, 34th Battery. He served in Canada and Continental Europe during World War II. He was a seventeen-year member of The Royal Canadian Legion Brandon Branch 3. Donald passed away in 1985.

MURRAY, Donald L.

Donald was born in Canada in 1920. He enlisted in the Royal Canadian Air Force and served in Canada, England, Italy and North Africa during World War II. He was a sixteen-year member of The Royal Canadian Legion Brandon Branch 3. Donald passed away in 1979.

MURRAY, James P.

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James was born in Rothesay Bute, Scotland in 1910. He enlisted in the Army with the South Saskatchewan Regiment. He served in Canada, Europe and England during World War II. He was a six-year member of The Royal Canadian Legion Brandon Branch 3. James passed away in 1995.

NORDAL, Victor Isfjord "Vic"

Victor was the son of Kristjan and Agusta Isfjord; later fostered by Magnus and Jacobina Nordal of Bru district, was born in Baldur on May 24, 1926. Vic joined the Merchant Marines in September 1943 and served in Canadian and American coastal waters until shortly before the end of the war when he transferred to the Army. After the war, Vic resided in Vancouver.

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ODELL, Edgar Philo

Edgar was born in Glenora, Manitoba, the son of Philo and Emma Odell. He married Emily Bjola of Winnipeg on May 12, 1945 and they had three children. He enlisted at Winnipeg in 1944, trained at Fort Osborne, and was stationed at Shilo. He served as Queens Cadet from 1943 until the time he joined the Infantry.

OLIVER, Heigi

WWI & WWII

WWII

Heigi was born in Bru, Manitoba on November 11, 1894, the son of Albert and Lija Oliver. He enlisted at Cypress River on April 4, 1916 with the 222nd Battalion CEF. He trained at Camp Hughes and served overseas with the First Canadian Mounted Rifles and the Canadian Machine Gun Corps. He participated at Passchendaele, Amiens, Monchy Le Preux, Cambrai and Mons. He returned in April 1919. In World War II, he enlisted on June 24, 1940 and served in Continental Europe and the Central Mediterranean. In 1926, he married Sigurveig Kristbjorg Davidson. They had four children - Albert S., Eggert H, Shirley Mae and Margaret Lilja. Following World War II, Heigi took up residence in Vancouver.

OLSON, H. Oscar

WWI & WWII

Oscar was born in Iceland and moved to Baldur at an early age, where he spent his youth. He was the son G. Olson and his wife Thora. Oscar married Helen in 1922. They had two children, Lois and D. H. Olson of Winnipeg. Oscar enlisted in Winnipeg and served in World War I with the Royal Flying Corps in Eastern Canada. In World War II, he re-enlisted in Winnipeg serving with the RCAF. Oscar passed away in 1970 in Winnipeg.

PARSONAGE, Harry

Harry was born in Greenway, Manitoba, the son of Walter and Lillian Parsonage. He married Dorothy Anderson of Baldur and they had eight children, Sandra, Lily Ann, Cherie, Julia, Harold, Minnie, Frances and Jeff. Harry enlisted in Winnipeg in 1944 and trained at Fort Garry, Shilo and Debert and was stationed in Halifax, Kingston and Dundurn. He has served as President of The Royal Canadian Legion Baldur Branch 108.

PAUL, Bert

WWII

WWII

Bert was born in St. Boniface, Manitoba in 1915. He married Anna Mary Bagley and they had four children, Gerard, Vincent, Dianne and Cheryll. Bert enlisted at HMCS Chippawa in Winnipeg and served overseas as a Senior Cook with the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve. Bert passed away on March 21, 1962.

PAUL, Vincent

Vincent was born in Winnipeg, Manitoba, the son of Bert and Anna Paul. He was employed as a Psvchiatric LPN. In November of 1966, he married Dorothy Cuvaiere and they had two daughters, Monique and Shauna. He served both in Canada and overseas.

PETRIE, William "Bill"

KOREA

PEACETIME

Bill was born in New York City, USA, the son of Thomas and Mary Elizabeth Bourque. In 1951 he married Shirley Bateman and they had three children. His wife Shirley passed away in 1966. He enlisted in Winnipeg with the RCAF and transferred to the 1st Canadian Parachute Battalion in June 1950. He was stationed in Edmonton, Calgary, Fort Nelson and served overseas in England, Japan and Korea.

PETURSON, Bjorn

WWI Bjorn was born in Winnipeg, the son of Peter Gudmundson and his wife Ingibjorg. He enlisted in World War I in the Royal Canadian Navy. In 1935, he married Gudny Kristen Markusson and they lived in Fort Garry, Manitoba. He completed grade and high school in Gimli, Manitoba. He obtained a teacher's certificate, graduated in Agriculture (B.S.A.) from the University of Manitoba, and received his M.Sc.A. and Ph.D. from the University of Minnesota. He taught school in Hola School, Baldur and Waskada for four years. He became a Plant Pathologist with the Canada Department of Agriculture, Fort Garry University Campus. He belonged to a number of Scientific Associations and published many bulletins on his work and research. During the last three working years he was with the Plant Science Department, University of Manitoba doing research and lecturing. Sports and Gardening were his hobbies and he shared freely of his time and knowledge for the benefit of horticulture societies and youth groups.

PORTER, George Carl

WWI

George was born in Baldur, Manitoba, the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Porter. He enlisted in World War I at Winnipeg and served with the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry in Motorcycle Corps. He was wounded in the Battle of Passchendaele, where he smashed one side of his jaw completely and wore a silver plate for the rest of his life. He remained untended on the ground for two days before being picked up. He married Gladys Long of Toronto, ON and they had two sons, Bruce and Allan. George is deceased.

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PRIMROSE, Fred

Fred was born in Kenora, Ontario in 1909, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Primrose. In 1947, he married Helen Roberts and they had five children, Dennis, John, Alice, Lorna and Laura. Fred enlisted in Winnipeg, trained at Camp Borden and served overseas in England and Continental Europe. He has been a member of The Royal Canadian Legion Baldur Branch 108.

RAMAGE, Wallace

Wallace, the second son of the late Robert and Edith Ramage of Baldur, was born on July 31, 1924. Wallace enlisted in the RCAF in Winnipeg in June 1942; serving in Canada at Winnipeg, Montreal, Halifax, Shellbourne and in Newfoundland. He married Ruth McPherson on December 21, 1951 and they had a family of six.

RICKER, William Jon

William was born in Neelin, Manitoba, the son of Harry and Mary Ricker. In 1942, he married Grace Barnard of Kenora and they had four children, Laverne, Jeannine, Brian and Larry. He enlisted in Winnipeg, trained at Shilo and was stationed at Vancouver, British Columbia.

ROBERTS, John

John was born in Greenway, Manitoba, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Roberts. He married Marion in 1952 and lived at Merritt, British Columbia where he was employed as a miner. They had two children, Valerie Joan and Jo Ann Maureen. He enlisted in Winnipeg and trained at North Bay and Aldershot, Nova Scotia.

RONCIN, Albert F.

Albert was born in McCreary, Manitoba in 1916. He served in the RCA and transferred to Calgary Tanks. He served in Canada, England, Sicily, Italy, France, Belgium, Holland and Germany during World War II. He was a member of McCreary Royal Canadian Legion Branch 173 for 43 years. Albert passed away in 1989.

ROSS, Charles Edgar "Ed"

Ed was born in Shoal Lake, Manitoba, the son of William and Florence Ross. On September 2, 1941 he married Elizabeth Stanley and they had two children, Carolynne and Edwin. He enlisted in Winnipeg and trained in Regina, Patricia Bay and Brandon and was stationed at Dartmouth, NS. While serving as a Pilot in the Atlantic Coastal Command with the RCAF at Torbay, Newfoundland, Ed was

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seriously injured when he crash landed in foul weather over Dartmouth, NS. He was a member of The Royal Canadian Legion Baldur Branch 108.

ROW, Noel

Noel was born in Hollingworth, Cheshire, England, the son of Thomas and Edith. He married Margaret Jones of Saskatchewan. He enlisted in Winnipeg in April 1942 and trained at Vernon, BC and served overseas in England, Italy and North West Europe. His brother Stan was killed in Italy in December 1944. Both Noel and Stan worked in the Municipality of Argyle.

ROWLEY, William John

William was born in Ipswich, England on April 5, 1878, the son of Elizabeth (Brown) and William Rowley. He enlisted in Winnipeg on April 19, 1916, receiving his training there and at Portage la Prairie. He served with the 11th Canadian Railway Troops in France for seventeen months. He was discharged on April 25, 1919. He married Bertha Thokelson on April 6, 1909. They had eight children, W. J. Rowley, Eva E. M. Durent, Victor R., Henry D., Edith Collins, Wesley B. H., Frank S., and Grace Jame Quaife. William passed away on July 8, 1958.

SANSOM, William John

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WWI

William was born in Marringhurst District, son of John and Margaret Sansom. He married on November 29, 1947 and he and his wife Marjorie had a son, Allen, and a daughter, June. He enlisted in Winnipeg on June 10, 1940 and trained at Borden, Hamilton, Sussex and Truro and served overseas in England and Continental Europe.

SCOTT, Gordon Raymond

WWII

PEACETIME

Gordon was born in Baldur, Manitoba in 1923, the son of Wilf and Mary Scott. He married June Ferguson in 1948 and they had three daughters, Sheila, Linda and Debby, and a son, Gordon Jr. He enlisted at Regina and trained at Comox, BC. He was six months in Shaunesy Hospital following an operation and was discharged for medical reason. After discharge, Gordon was employed as a pipe line foreman.

SCOTT, Harold Keith

Keith was born in Woodnorth, Manitoba on January 4, 1933, the son of Wilf and Mary Scott. He married Joyce Hildebrand of Snowflake, MB. They had five children: William, David, Cheryl, Jeffery and Tommy. He enlisted in Winnipeg with the Air Force in 1953 and trained at Centralia, ON and at Portage la Prairie and was stationed at Rivers and Winnipeg.

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SEXSMITH, Murray Stanley

Murray, the son of Ernest and Lenoa Sexmith joined the RCMP in Winnipeg in 1947. He was stationed at "K" Division in Alberta until 1952. He was stationed in Hong Kong for three years and then in Ottawa, ranking Superintendent i/c "B" Branch, RCMP Security Service. On June 14, 1952 he married Jean Kvznetsov.

SIGMAR, George

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RCMP

George was born in the RM of Argyle on September 24, 1891, the son of Gudrun and Sigmar Sigurjonson. He enlisted on February 6, 1918 and served in the Canadian Air Corps. He married Sigrid Johnson on August 25, 1951. George was a commercial traveller for the Warren Knit Woolen Company of Canada for several years. He was a member of the North West Travellers Association. He was a member of the First Lutheran Church, Winnipeg and also a member of the Male Voice Choir. George passed away on April 30, 1962.

SIGMAR, Stefan

Stefan was born in the RM of Argyle on January 21, 1888, the son of Sigmar and Gudrun Sigurjonson. He enlisted on March 18, 1918 but served only briefly due to ill health. He attended the University of Manitoba for two years, then farmed on the old Sigmar farmstead (along with his brother Fred) until his death on November 4, 1947. On May 26, 1926 he married Emily Bjornson. They had four children, Lloyd, Sigrun Walterson, Murray and Grace (deceased at the age of seven).

SIGURDSON, Baldwin

Baldwin was born in the Municipality of Argyle, the son of Herbert and Kristos Sigurdson. In September 1958 he married Shirley Petrick. He enlisted at Fort Osborne in 1943 and trained at Portage and Woodstock and was stationed at Shilo. He served overseas in the United Kingdom and in Italy where he lost a leg in a mine.

SIGVALDASON, John P.

WWII

WWII

John was born on February 9, 1904 in Baldur, the son of Einar and Kristine (Gudnason) Sigvaldason. He attended Hola and Baldur Schools; graduated in Arts from the University of Manitoba in 1933, obtained his Bachelor of Education degree in 1939. He taught school until being appointed Inspector of Schools. He served under Hon. Ivan Schultz in the Department of Education. In 1942, John enlisted in the Air Force at Winnipeg. He trained in Lachine and Trenton, Yorkton and Ottawa as well as in the United Kingdom. He was discharged in March 1946 with the rank of Squadron Leader. Upon discharge he was brought into the Department of External Affairs and was posted as Assistant Secretary of Canada House, London, England where he served for six years. On return to Ottawa, he was sent to Pakistan in the Consular Service. In 1958, he was recalled to Ottawa to become Director of the Inspection Service of the Department of External Affairs. In 1961, he was appointed Canadian Ambassador to Indonesia and was transferred on February 11, 1964 to the Canadian Legations at Oslo and Reykjavik where he served as Canadian Ambassador until he retired in July 1969, on reaching retirement age. In 1969, he joined the staff of Brandon University, teaching political science until September 1971. John married Olga Gasteiger. They had two sons and one daughter.

SIMPSON, Francis William

WWI

Francis was born in Toronto on April 22, 1885, the son of Mr. and Mrs. George C. Simpson. He enlisted in Brandon in June 1918, trained at Brandon and served overseas at Eastbourne, England. He returned to Canada in 1919. He was a Life Member of The Royal Canadian Legion, Baldur Branch 108. He farmed successfully in Glenora where he passed away on May 17, 1966. On December 3, 1919, he married Nellie P. Lawrence. They had two children, Jean Marie and George Andrew.

SINCLAIR, Donald

WWI

Donald was born in Thurso, Caithness, Scotland in 1880. He served in the Army Veterinary Corps in England and France during World War I. Donald passed away in 1936.

SKAPTASON, Freeman H. "Frim" WWII

Frim, the son of Anna and Halli Skaptason enlisted in Winnipeg in July 1941 and trained at Gordon Head and Kingston, ON. He served overseas in the United Kingdom, NW Europe, Italy, and Africa and returned with the rank of Captain. In 1941 he married Helga Reykdal and they have two daughters, Penelope and Paula, and a son, Greg. After the war, he worked as a Regional Director of VLA, Manitoba. He has been an active member of The Royal Canadian Legion Branch 30, West Kildonan.

SKAPTASON, H. Marelius "Marl" WWII

Marl was born in Argyle, the son of Anna and Halli Skaptason. He married Johanna Johnson of Ashern. They had two children, a son Stephen of London, England and daughter, Holly. He enlisted at Winnipeg in October 1943 and trained at Kingston and served overseas in the United Kingdom. He had the rank of Sergeant.

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SKAPTASON, J. Skapti

Skapti was born in the RM of Argyle, the son of Anna and Halli Skaptason. He enlisted in Winnipeg in March 1941 and trained at Gordon Head, BC and was an instructor at Vernon and Nanaimo, BC. He retired with the rank of Lieutenant. He was an active member of The Royal Canadian Legion and VFW, USA. He was part owner and General Manager of Green Cross of USA after his discharge. He married Margaret Bjarnason of Winnipeg and they had a son, James, and a daughter, Sandra.

SOLE, Oliver

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Oliver was born in Colfax, North Dakota, USA, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Sole, later of Glenora, Manitoba. He enlisted in Winnipeg with the 107th in February 1916; training there and at Camp Hughes. He was later transferred to the Machine Gun Section as Lance Corporal. He was sent to France where he was killed in action on August 10, 1918.

SORENSEN, Aage "Ole"

WWII

Ole was born in Copenhagen, Denmark, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Sorensen. On October 19, 1945 he married Ida Ford and they have one daughter, Karen. Ole enlisted in Winnipeg in September 1940, training at Shilo, Quebec City and served overseas taking part in the Dieppe Raid and was taken as a Prisoner of War. After the war, Ole was a postmaster in Mather, Manitoba.

STANDING, Clarence T.

Clarence was born in Baldur, Manitoba in 1893. He joined the 43rd Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders and was killed in action in Belgium in 1917.

STERLING, John G.

John was born in Baldur, Manitoba in 1891. He joined the 78th Winnipeg Grenadiers and was killed in action in France in 1918.

STEVENS, Charlie F.

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Lance Corporal Charlie F. Stevens was born in Baldur, Manitoba on April 23, 1893, the son of Frederick and Elizabeth Stevens. He enlisted at Winnipeg in January 1915 and trained there and at Shorncliffe Camp, Bramshott, England. He was wounded in action twice and was killed in action on August 25, 1918 while serving with the 43rd Battalion Cameron Highlanders.

STEVENS, Sydney H. "Syd" WWI

Sydney was born on April 20, 1895, the son of Frederick and Elizabeth Steven. Syd enlisted in July

1915 with the 78th Battalion at Winnipeg; receiving his training there and at Camp Hughes in Canada and Bramshott and Le Harve abroad. He went to France in January 1917 and was wounded following Easter Sunday at Vimy Ridge. He was returned to England in May and served with the Canadian Ordnance Corp until his return in March 1919. He married Margaret Sims of London, England.

STILWELL, Frederick Henry "Fred" WWII

Fred was born in Killarney, Manitoba, the son of George and Jane Stilwell. In 1935 he married Maude Smith and they had three children, Florence, Mary and George. Fred enlisted in Winnipeg and trained at Victoria, BC and was stationed at Halifax and Shelburne and served at St. John's on the HMCS Woodstock on patrol around England at the time of Invasion. He was a member of The Royal Canadian Legion Baldur Branch 108.

STILWELL, Jack "John D."

WWII

Jack was born in Baldur, Manitoba, the son of George and Jane Stilwell. On May 16, 1945 he married Agnes M. Aitken of Glasgow, Scotland. They had three children: Anne, Andrew and William. He enlisted at Winnipeg on September 11, 1940 and was stationed at Fort William and Debert and served overseas in Aldershot, Godalming, Brighton, Tunbridge-Wells. He also served with the Manitoba Dragoons in the European Campaign from Normandy through France, Belgium, Holland and Germany to the end of World War II. Jack served as President of The Royal Canadian Legion Branch 216 at Elgin, Manitoba.

STILWELL, Victor C. "Vic"

wwii

Vic was born in Lena, Manitoba, the son of George and Jane Stilwell. He married Kay Gillis on December 30, 1970. This was his second marriage and they had three children, Dianne, Elaine and Robbie. Vic enlisted in Winnipeg, trained at Shilo, Borden and Debert and overseas, he served in England, France, Belgium, Holland and Germany.

SUTTON, Robert A. "Bert"

WWII

Robert was born in Wakopa, Manitoba on January 26, 1916. He enlisted on June 28, 1942 and trained at Portage and Red Deer. He went overseas the same year. He served in Sicily and Italy then went back to Holland and France. He returned to Canada in December 1945 and received his discharge in January 1946. Bert was employed with the CNR and lived in Glenora.

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SVEINSSON, Laurence Ross

Laurence was born in Winnipeg in 1921, the son of Valdimar and Ingiborg Sveinsson. On June 28, 1946 he married Doris Sedo of Dugald, Manitoba. They had four children: Laurence David, Ingrid Gail and twins, Heather and Darlene. All three girls have the same birthday – May 4. He enlisted at Winnipeg in December 1940 and trained at Camp Borden, Camp Debert and served overseas in the United Kingdom, France, Belgium, Holland and Germany. He was discharged in December 1945.

SWAINSON, Arthur K.

Arthur was born east of Baldur; the son of Ingolfur and Liney Swainson. Major Arthur K. Swainson enlisted on February 15, 1956 at London, ON. In Canada he has been stationed at Winnipeg, Ottawa, Montreal, Toronto and in Europe at Meta, France and Lahr, Germany. Arthur graduated from United College and the University of Manitoba. He graduated in 1954 with a L.L.B. Degree in Law and a little more than a year later was commissioned in the legal branch of the RCAF. He spent a year as staff legal officer of #14 Training Group (Winnipeg); three years as Deputy Judge Advocate at RCAF (Ottawa) and in 1960 as staff legal officer at Air Defence Command St. Hubert, QC. On November 5, 1955 he married Marion Olson. They had three

SWAINSON, Maurice Bjorn

daughters, Cathy, Nancy and Signe.

RCMP

WWII

WWII

PEACETIME

Maurice was born in Baldur, Manitoba the son of Ari and Bjorg Swainson. He joined the RCMP on completion of High School. He retired after 25 years of service and then worked as a computer operator in Montreal where he resided with his wife, Gabrielle, and their three girls, Lise, Anne and Linda.

TEMPLETON, Sidney "Lloyd"

Lloyd was born in Baldur, Manitoba; the son of Sidney and Margaret Templeton. Lloyd enlisted in the RCAF in September 1941 at Vancouver. He served in Canada at St. Thomas, Hagersville, Ontario (three years) and Alliford Bay, Queen Charlotte Islands (for one year). He was an Airframe Mechanic by trade; also with a fourteen piece dance band and eighteen piece show orchestra while at Hagersville. On December 5, 1942 he married V. Irene McLean of Belmont. They had two daughters, Judith Lianne and Doreen Anna, and a son, Edward Robert. After the war, Lloyd worked as a salesman in Calgary. THIERRIEN, Gerard "Gerry"

WWII

Gerard was born in Mariapolis, Manitoba, the son of Adeodat and Irene (Fraser) Thierrien. Gerry enlisted on October 19, 1943 at Winnipeg. He trained at Peterborough and Borden, Ontario before going overseas where he was stationed at Aldershot, England. On November 29, 1939 he married Irene Levreault. Their children were Jeanine, Ubald and Lauraine. Gerry farmed south of Baldur after receiving his discharge. He also worked as a carpenter.

THOMAS, John

WWI

John was born in Swansea, Wales on February 14, 1891, the son of John and Ester Thomas. He enlisted in Brandon, training there and in Winnipeg and hence to England. John served in France with a burial party after the war ended and he was discharged in August 1919. He came to Canada in 1902 and except for the time he was in the Army he lived and farmed in the Glenora area. On December 1, 1926 he married Blanche Hazel Preston and they had two sons, John E. Thomas and William Keith. John passed away on March 16, 1967.

THOMAS, Roland Victor

WWII

Ronald was born in Kelso, Saskatchewan the son of Constable Joseph A. and Bernadette Thomas. Roland enlisted in the RCAF at Winnipeg and trained at Brandon, Trenton, Dauphin and Halifax. Overseas he served at Bournemouth, Hastings, London, Darlington and Blackpool in England and at Blankenberge, Belgium and Oldenburg, Germany. He served in Germany with Disarmament Wing for seven months after VE Day. On August 5, 1946 he married Colette Gravel. They had one son "Gilbert" Paul. Ronald resided in Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario where he was the manager of Corporation Insurance.

THORBERGSON, Thorbergur

WWI

Thorbergur was born on May 12, 1901 in Iceland, the son of Andres and Palina Thorbergson. He moved to Baldur as a little child and at the age of sixteen he enlisted in Winnipeg with the 223rd Battalion and was sent to England a little over a month later and on to France. He served in battle at Passchendaele, Ambiens and Arras where he was killed in action on October 10, 1918 at only eighteen and a half years of age. Thorbergur was commended for his forthright and willing characteristics.

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THORGRIMSSON. Heimir

Heimir was born in 1907 in Akureyri, Iceland, the son of Reverend Adam and Sigrun Thorgrimsson. He enlisted at MD #10, Winnipeg on July 11, 1940 and served with the 8th Field Ambulance, RCAMC in World War II. He also served in Sicily, Italy and Northwest Europe and was mentioned in Dispatches for outstanding service. On October 26, 1936, he married Laufey May Lindal of Lundar. They had five daughters - Lorna Mae, Pamela, Freda, Ada and Lara. He was active in the Icelandic Community wherever he resided, being a master public speaker, a popular debater and speaker at social functions. He was a member of the Icelandic and Swedish Male Voice Choirs and Senior Choir at First Lutheran Church. He was a member of the Fron Lodge, Icelandic Canadian Club and a past member of the editorial board of the Icelandic Canadian Magazine. In 1943, he was editor of the Logberg Weekly. At the time of his passing, he was Vice-President of the Icelandic National League. Mr. Thorgrimsson served with the Department of Veterans' Affairs (VLA) for 22 years, transferring to the Department of Justice in 1968. He retired in June 1971. He was an original member of the Lundar Branch of The Royal Canadian Legion, transferring to Winnipeg Branch 7 in 1971 and also an original officer and member of the "100" Club. Heimer passed away on December 9, 1971 at Deer Lodge Hospital after a lengthy illness - a victim of cancer.

THORLEIFSON, Bjarni Kristinn "Barney" WWII

Bjarni was born in Mozart, Saskatchewan, the son of Clemi and Christine Thorleifson. Barney enlisted in the RCAF at Winnipeg on February 10, 1941; trained at Trenton and Brandon before going overseas to serve in England and France. On August 21, 1937 he married Florence Martin. Prior to his death, Barney made his home in Baldur for several years while earning his livelihood as a salesperson.

THWAITES, Leslie

WWII

WWII

Leslie was born in Silver Ridge, Manitoba in 1924 and joined the Lord Strathcona's Horse Regiment, serving in Canada, Britain and Italy. He passed away in 1997 and had been a member of the Elmwood Branch 9 of The Royal Canadian Legion for 25 years.

TILL. Earl

Earl was born in Miniota, Manitoba in 1924. He joined the Winnipeg Grenadiers and was killed in action in Hong Kong.

WWII

TRINDER. Frederick Austin "Buster" WWII Buster was born in Lowe Farm, Manitoba, the son of Jack and Elizabeth Trinder. Buster enlisted at Vancouver, BC and trained at Toronto with the RCAF and later at Wetaskawin in the Army. He trained at Boundary Bay, BC; Coal Harbour, Bella Bella; Smithers, BC at Claresholm, AB and also at Calgary and Vernon. On June 25, 1949 he married Elsie Banks; they had three children: Robert William, Eira Ann and Barbara Lee. After the war, he was employed in Maple Ridge, BC as an Arena Supervisor.

TRINDER, William J. "Bill"

WWII

Bill was born in Lowe Farm, Manitoba, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Trinder. He joined the Army at Vancouver in June 1940; training there, at Esquimalt and Petawawa. He served overseas in England, Italy, France, Belgium and Holland. Bill married Gertrude Waitt of Baldur. They have two children - John Bruce and Sharon Elizabeth Gray, both of Winnipeg. Bill was an accountant in Winnipeg.

TURNER, Felix Guy

wwi Felix was born in Glenora, Manitoba in 1893. He went overseas with the 9th Battalion of the 190th Regiment, returning in 1919 as a Sergeant. He married in 1919. He was a bookkeeper with Wetlaws and Searl Grain Co. from 1919 to 1931 and from 1931 to 1960 he worked with the Accounts

Department of the Department of Mines and Natural Resources. He was President of the Puffin Ski Club for eighteen years - also a member of the Winnipeg Ski Club. He passed away in February 1960.

TURRILL, George

WWI

George was a farm-hand in the district of Baldur having come from England in about 1910. He joined the 222nd in Baldur in 1916, receiving his training there and at Camp Hughes and then to England; over to France with the first draft of the 222nd to be sent there early in 1917. He participated with the 8th Battalion (Little Black Devils) at Hill 70, Passchendaele where he received the Military Medal, and also at Amiens, Arras and Cambrai. George returned to Canada in 1919 taking employment on Sexsmith's Dray in Baldur which he continued until shortly before his death. George was a Life Member and Past President of The Royal Canadian Legion Baldur Branch 108.



URIE, William W.

William was born in Deloraine, Manitoba in 1889. He joined the Army and served in the Canadian Infantry with the Saskatchewan Regiment in Canada, Great Britain and France. William was killed in action in 1916.

VAN DAMME, Bazil

Bazil was born in St. Alphonse, Manitoba, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Odille Van Damme. He enlisted at Fort Osborne Barracks on March 23, 1943. He served with the Light Infantry while training at Portage, Shilo, and Saint John, NB. On October 8, 1945 he married Simone Mason. They had three children, Georgina (Hutlet), Napoleon and Mark. After service, Bazil farmed northeast of Baldur in the old Thor school district and he was a member of The Royal Canadian Legion Baldur Branch 108.

VIVIAN, William

William was born in Winnipeg, Manitoba in 1923 and joined the Royal Canadian Navy, serving in Canada, New York, England and Russia. He passed away in 1999 and had been a member of the Elmwood Branch 9 of The Royal Canadian Legion.

VOGEN, Elias"Eli"

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Elias was born in Iceland, the son of Petur and Elizabeth Vogen. He enlisted in the 16th Battalion on January 15, 1918. A month later went to England and was there in training when the war ended. He returned to Canada on July 7, 1919. Eli lived in Glenboro where he married Gudny Sigurdson. They had two children, Bill and Norma Jean McLennan.

VOGEN, Julius

Julius was born on July 12, 1870 in Iceland, the son of Jon and Katrin Jonsson. They lived in the RM of Argyle. He enlisted on April 24, 1918 going overseas a month later. He participated in the battles of Cambrai and Mons and was in the Occupation Force in Germany until his return to Canada on May 10, 1919. He married and made his home in Winnipeg until his death and burial at Selkirk.

WAGSTAFF, Raymond Hebert "Ray" WWII

Raymond was born in Carpenter, North Dakota on September 17, 1910, the son of Fred and Thora (Goodman) Wagstaff. Ray enlisted with the RCEME at Calgary, trained there and at Camp Borden before sailing for England. In 1944, he married Bella Porter while in England (she died in 1961). They had one son, Samuel Bernard, who lived in Calgary. On his return to Canada, Ray resided in Calgary until his death in October 1970. He was a mechanic by trade.

WAGSTAFF, Robert Thorarin "Bob" WWII

Robert was born in Senate, Saskatchewan in October 1916; the son of Fred and Thora (Goodman of Glenboro) Wagstaff. Bob enlisted in the RCAF in Calgary in 1942. He trained there and at St. Thomas where he graduated at the top of his class and remained there as an instructor until his discharge in 1945. He married France Gounce of Surrey, NB while in High River, Alberta in 1947. They took up residence in Calgary until 1967 when they moved to New Brunswick. He passed away on July of 1969 in Saint John, NB.

WAGSTAFFE, Charles Percy WWI

Charles was born in the RM of Argyle in 1894; the son of Fred Wagstaffe and Gudny (Thordarson). He enlisted in Regina in 1916 and served in the Cavalry. He was sent overseas to England and on to France. He was wounded just before the Armistice and returned to Canada a year later. He filed for a homestead under the Soldiers Settlement Board at Caragana, Saskatchewan. In 1924 he married Grace Cruse of Dauphin, Manitoba and they had one daughter, France Marie Lassen.

WALLACE, William

William was born in Carlisle, Cumberland, England on April 4, 1890. He joined the Canadian Infantry, Manitoba Regiment, 8th Battalion of the Winnipeg Rifles and was killed in action in France on November 27, 1916.

WAUGH, Roy C.

Roy was born in Greenway, Manitoba on September 18, 1918, the son of Stella (Cornock) and C.L. Waugh. He enlisted at Winnipeg in 1940, and served in Canada at St. Thomas and Rivers. In 1945, he married Minnie Ogonski and they had three daughters, Susan, Shirley and Judy. They lived in Toronto, Ontario.

WELSH, Alvin

Alvin, the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Frederick C. Welsh, was born in Baldur, Manitoba in 1914. He enlisted in the RCAF in Winnipeg in 1941. He trained in Alberta and suffered injuries from which he spent one year in Deer Lodge Military Hospital and was discharged in 1945. Alvin and his wife Margaret resided in Winnipeg and he was employed with Moore's Printing. They had one daughter and one son.

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WELSH, George Edward

George was born in Fallbrook, Ontario in 1869, the son of Edward and Sophia Welsh. His first wife was Ada Brown (deceased 1899) and he married Dora Barlow in 1906. George enlisted in Winnipeg, Manitoba in 1899 and served in the Boer War in South Africa for which he received citation.

WELSH, Grant Plyafair

WWII

BOER WAR

Grant was born in Baldur, Manitoba in 1918; the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick C. Welsh. He enlisted at Brandon and took his initial training at Camp Borden; serving a total of four years in all three theaters; which included entering France on D-Day. He was discharged in 1946. On July 26, 1947 he married Christina Jane Williamson. They had one son, Jim, serving at Shilo. After the war, he resided in Deloraine, MB where he was a Grain Buyer for the Manitoba Pool Elevator.

WHITFORD, James W.

WWII

James was born in London, England in 1924. He enlisted in the Royal Navy and served on Mine Sweepers for beaches in Europe during World War II. He was a Life Member of The Royal Canadian Legion Lac du Bonnet Branch 164. James passed away in 2017.

WILSON, Mark G. AFGHANISTAN & IRAQ

Mark was born in Brandon, Manitoba in 1976. He served with the 26 Field Regiment, RCA in Afghanistan and Iraq. He was awarded the US Meritorious Service Medal. Mark is a member of Morden Royal Canadian Legion Branch 11.

WRIGHT, Robert Earl

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WWII

Robert was born in Greenway, Manitoba, the son of Margret and James Wright. He enlisted at Portage la Prairie and served in Canada. In 1941 he married Jeannie Pyra of Spears, Saskatchewan. They had three children, Elaine, Brian and Eldyia. He resided in Lorette, Manitoba where he was employed by CNR and operated a small farm.

WRIGHT, William Frederick "Bill" PEACETIME

Bill was born at Dauphin General Hospital, the son of John and Ettie Wright of Glenora, Manitoba. He served briefly at Calgary and Camp Borden. He attended Brandon Community College.

WYLIE, Roy Willard

Roy was born in Oxbow, Saskatchewan, the son of James and Rebecca Wylie. He enlisted in Toronto and

served as an aeroplane mechanic in Canada for four and a half years. Roy married Ruby McGill on June 9, 1942. They had four children: Barbara, James, Douglas and Betty. Roy resided in Baldur where he was employed with M.T.S. He was a member of The Royal Canadian Legion Baldur Branch 108.

WYLIE, Ruby

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Ruby was born on May 12, 1912, the daughter of William and Annie McGill. She enlisted at Winnipeg and served as telephone operator in Toronto and Quebec. On June 9, 1942, she married Roy Wylie and they had four children, Barbara, James, Douglas and Betty. Ruby was employed as a cook in the Baldur Hospital.

YEO, Alfred George "Alf"

Alf was born in Stonewall, Manitoba, the son of William John and Emily Yeo. He enlisted at Winnipeg, training there and at Shilo, Borden, Woodstock, Toronto, Esquimalt and Debert before going overseas to serve in England, Scotland, Sicily, Italy, France, Belgium, Holland and Germany. On October 19, 1948, he married Elsey Frederickson and they had one daughter, Debra Louise.

YEO, Joseph Earl

Joseph was born at Cypress River, the son of Thomas and Rebecca Yeo. He enlisted in Winnipeg on May 9, 1918 in 1st Depot Battalion Manitoba Regiment. In England and France he served with the 8th Battalion. On January 28, 1921, he married Elizabeth Yeo and they had six children, Lois, Glen, Douglas, Constance, William and Jack. Joseph is deceased.

YEO, Laurence J.

Laurence was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Yeo of Cypress River. He enlisted at Winnipeg and served in Canada. In 1920, he married Bessis Breidal. They retired at Cypress River.

ZEMANEK, Joseph F. "Joe" WWII

Joe was born on March 11, 1925, the son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Zemanek, formally of Baldur. Joe enlisted in the RCAF at Glenboro on January 23, 1944. He trained at Edmonton, Toronto, Arnprior, St. Thomas, Aylmer, Winnipeg and Moncton before going overseas to serve in England. Joe married Wilma Sevik in Viking on October 29, 1947. They had eight children: John, Mary, Richard, James, Joanne, Christina, Michael and Caroline. Joe was accidentally killed on November 22, 1969.

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