



VICTORIA CROSS AWARD

**No. 445312 John Bernard Croak,
Canadian Expeditionary Force, 13th Bn.**



Born in Little Bay on May 18, 1892. He moved with his parents James and Cecilia Croak to Glace Bay, N.S., where he attended New Aberdeen and St. John's schools before working as a coal miner. In 1915, he joined the 55th Bn., later transferring to the 13th Bn.

For most conspicuous bravery in attack when having become separated from his section he encountered a machine gun nest, which he bombed and silenced, taking the gun and crew prisoners. Shortly afterwards he was severely wounded, but refused to desist. Having rejoined his platoon, a very strong point, containing several machine guns, was encountered. Private Croak, however, seeing an opportunity, dashed forward alone and was almost immediately followed by the remainder of the platoon in a brilliant charge. He was the first to arrive at the trench line, into which he led his men, capturing three machine guns and bayonetting or capturing the entire garrison. The perseverance and valour of this gallant soldier, who was again severely wounded, and died of his wounds, were an inspiring example to all.



**No. 3102 Pte. Thomas Ricketts,
1st Bn. R. Newfoundland R.**



Born on April 15, 1901 in Middle Arm, White Bay, Newfoundland, Ricketts enlisted aged 15 and 4 months into the 1st Bn, Royal Newfoundland Regiment during the First World War.

For most conspicuous bravery and devotion to duty on the 14th October, 1918, during the advance from Ledeghem, when the attack was temporarily held up by heavy hostile fire and the platoon to which he belonged suffered severe casualties from the fire of a battery at point-blank range.

Pte. Ricketts at once volunteered to go forward with his section commander and a Lewis gun to attempt to outflank the battery. Advancing by short rushes under heavy fire from enemy machine guns with the hostile battery, their ammunition was exhausted when still 300 yards from the battery. The enemy, seeing an opportunity to get their field guns away, began to bring up their gun teams. Pte. Ricketts, at once realising the situation, doubled back 100 yards under the heaviest machine-gun fire, procured further ammunition, and dashed back again to the Lewis gun, and by very accurate fire drove the enemy and the gun teams into a farm.

His platoon then advanced without casualties, and captured the four field guns, four machine guns, and eight prisoners.

A fifth field gun was subsequently intercepted by fire and captured.

By his presence of mind in anticipating the enemy intention and his utter disregard of personal safety, Pte. Ricketts secured the further supply of ammunition which directly resulted in these important captures and undoubtedly saved many lives."



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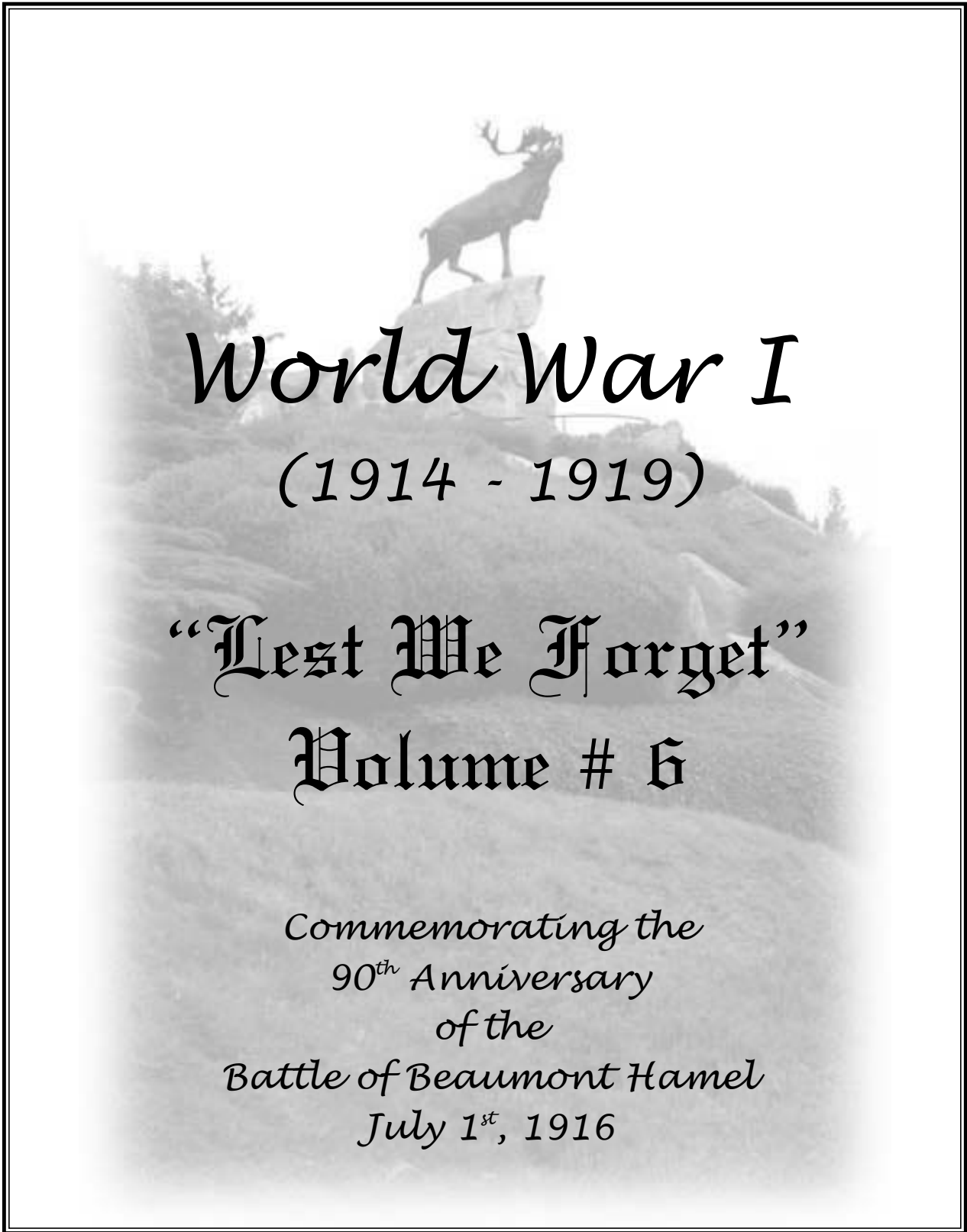
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William H. Adey
Service #: 1614

William H. Adey was born in Adeytown, NL. He served with the Royal Newfoundland Regiment from 1914 to 1918. He was the 1st President of Clarenville Branch # 27 of The Royal Canadian Legion and founder of 567 Random Squadron RCAC in 1953. He is deceased.

John Breen
Service #: 67

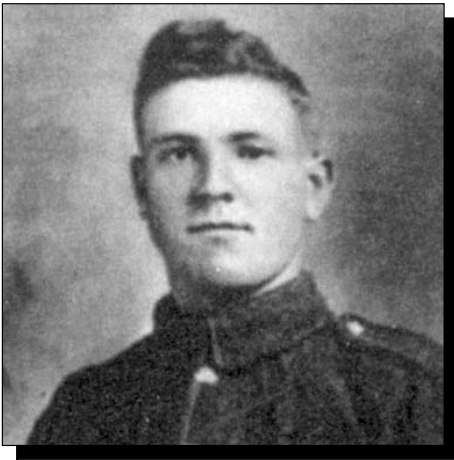
John Breen enlisted, September 2nd, 1914; British Mediterranean Expeditionary Force, August 20th, 1915; British Expeditionary Force, March 14th, 1916; Killed in Action, Beaumont Hamel, July 1st, 1916.



Andrew Brooks Baird

Andrew Brooks Baird was born in Glasgow, Scotland on 21st June, 1897. He joined the Royal Highland Fusiliers in 1915, demobilized on March 27th, 1919. He moved to Grand Falls, Newfoundland in 1923. He passed away on 28th July, 1978.





Abel Churchill
Service #: 5411

Abel Churchill served with the Royal Newfoundland Regiment from 1914 to 1918. He is deceased.

John Cleary
Service #: 288

John Cleary enlisted September 8th, 1914; British Mediterranean Expeditionary Force, August 20th, 1915; Evacuated Sulva, sick, November 25th, 1915; Rejoined Battalion, January 31st, 1916; British Expeditionary Force, March 14th, 1916; Killed in Action, Beaumont Hamel, July 1st, 1916.



Ephriam Cooper
Service #: 4056

Ephriam Cooper was born on 5th October, 1894 in Trinity Bay, Newfoundland. He served with the Royal Newfoundland Regiment from 31st October 1917 to 5th July 1919. He served in France and Belgium "B Company" 5th Platoon until the end of the war. He is deceased.



John Bernard Croak
Service #: 445312

John Bernard Croak was born in Little Bay, Newfoundland on 18th May, 1892. He enlisted with the 55th Bn Canadian Expeditionary Force in 1916 later transferring to the 13th Bn. He was awarded the Victoria Cross for most conspicuous bravery.

Bernard Delaney
Service #: 2775

Bernard Delaney was born on Gull Island, Newfoundland in November 1885. He served with the Royal Newfoundland Regiment from 1st May, 1916 to 1st February, 1919. He is a past member of Carbonear Branch # 23 of The Royal Canadian Legion. He is deceased.



William Patrick Dohaney
Service #: 496

William Patrick Dohaney was born in St. John's, Newfoundland on 6th February, 1892. He served with the 1st Bn Royal Newfoundland Regiment from 14th September 1914 to 1st July 1916. He was killed in action on 1st July 1916 in France. He is buried in Beaumont Hamel.



Sgt. Louis Head
Service #: 743

Louis Head was born in Comfort Cove, Notre Dame Bay, Newfoundland in 1894. He served with the Royal Newfoundland Regiment from 1914 to 1919.



Thomas Hewitt
Service #: 928X

Thomas Hewitt was born in Westport, Newfoundland. He served with the Royal Newfoundland Regiment.



William Hewitt
Service #: 850X

William Hewitt was born in Westport, Newfoundland. He served with the Navy.

James John Howard
Service #: 560

James John Howard enlisted with the Royal Newfoundland Regiment on 14th October, 1914. He was reported missing in action on 1st July, 1916. He was awarded the Victory Medal, the British War Medal and the 1914/1915 Star.





Walter Jacobs
Service #: 3848

Walter Jacobs was born in Westport, Newfoundland. He served with the Royal Newfoundland Regiment. He was wounded in action.

John Loveless
Service #: 2970

John Loveless was born in Harbour Breton on 1st December 1893. He served with the Army from 1914 to 1919. He passed away on 4th August, 1984.



Denis Joseph Maher

Denis Joseph Maher was born in 21st December, 1880 in Flatrock, Newfoundland. He served with the Merchant Navy. He was part of the Murmansk - Archangel run to Northern Russia during 1916 - 1917. He passed away on 13th July 1960.



Lawrence Paul
Service #:3358

Lawrence Paul was born on Wig Wam Point, Bay of Exploits, Newfoundland in 1900. He served with the Royal Newfoundland Regiment from December 1916 to June 1914. He passed away on 17th September, 1992.

Frank Pelley
Service #: 2955

Frank Pelley served with the Royal Newfoundland Regiment 1914 - 1916. He is deceased.



Peter Poole
Service #: 1098X

Peter Poole was born in Westport, Newfoundland. He served with the Royal Navy.



David J. Power

Service #: 310

David J. Power was born in Mt. Carmel, St. Mary's Bay, Newfoundland on 25th June, 1888. He enlisted with the Royal Newfoundland Regiment on 2nd September, 1914; British Mediterranean Expeditionary Force, August 10th, 1915; British Expeditionary Force, March 14th, 1916; Evacuated to hospital on July 15th, 1917; Rejoined the Battalion on October 14th, 1917; Wounded, Mesnieres, December 3rd, 1917; Invalided to England, December 9th, 1917; Attached to Depot, Ayr, February 18th, 1918; Embarked for Newfoundland, furlough, July 12th, 1918; Demobilized to St. John's, February 15th, 1919. He passed away on November 6th, 1947.

Thomas Ricketts

Service #: 3102

Thomas Ricketts was born in Middle Arm, White Bay, Newfoundland on 15th April, 1901. He enlisted at the age of 15 years and 4 months into the 1st Bn, Royal Newfoundland Regiment during the First World War. He was awarded the Victoria Cross for most conspicuous bravery and devotion to duty on 14th October, 1918.



Horatius Seaward

Service #: 172

Horatius Seaward was born in Clarenville, Newfoundland. He enlisted on September 8th, 1916; with the British Mediterranean Expeditionary Force on 20th August, 1915; Evacuated, Suvla, November 24th, 1915; Invalided to England, November 24th, 1915; British Expeditionary Force, December 12th, 1916; He was Killed in Action on 16th August, 1917 in Steenbeke.



Andrew Shaw
Service #: 2740

Andrew Shaw was born in Little Heart's Ease, Trinity Bay, Newfoundland on September 30th, 1893. He served with the Royal Newfoundland Regiment. He passed away on 10th April, 1976.

Abram J. Verge
Service #: 1925

Abram J. Verge was born in Winterton, Trinity Bay, Newfoundland. He enlisted in the British Army while he was attending Bishops Field College to further his teaching education on 22nd October, 1915. He left for France in 1916. On April 14th, 1917 he was taken Prisoner of War at the Battle of Monchy Le Pruex. He was disabled and honourably discharged on April 2nd, 1917.



Private Michael Walsh
Service #: 5612

Michael Walsh was born in Coachman's Cove, Newfoundland in 1898. He served with the 1st Battalion, Royal Newfoundland Regiment. He passed away in 1950.





Hedley G. O. Winsor
Service #: 5066

Hedley G. O. Winsor was born in Wesleyville, Newfoundland on 25th November, 1896. He served with the Royal Newfoundland Regiment. He was a member of Eastport Branch # 41 of The Royal Canadian Legion. He passed away on 13th October, 1977.



ODDFELLOWS IN THE NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT
Stobb Camp, Scotland, May 1915

Back Row: Pte. G.C. Cuff, KIA - Monchy, 14th April, 1917; Lcpl JJ Gray, Survived the War; Pte. (2Lt) HJR Rowsell, KIA - Beaumont Hamel, 1st July 1916; Sgt (Lt) SC Goodyear, MC, KIA - Broembeke, 10th October 1917; Sgt MC McLeod, KIA - Gueudecourt, 12th October 1916; Pte F Wilcox, KIA - Beaumont Hamel, 1st July 1916; Middle Row: Pte (Sgt) S Ferguson, KIA - Beaumont Hamel, 1st July 1916; Sgt (CSM) RB Porter, KIA - Beaumont Hamel, 1st July 1916; Sgt (Capt) HG Hicks, MC & Bar, Survived the War; Lt (Capt) RS Rowsell, MC, KIA - Monchy, 14th April, 1917; Sgt (2Lt) JR Ferguson, KIA - Beaumont Hamel, 1st July 1969; Sgt HRH Peckham, Survived the War. Front Row: Pte LT Rendell, Survived the War; Sgt J Snow, Survived the War; Sgt (RSM) E Gullicksen, DCM, CdG.MdH, Survived the War.



World War II
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THE LOWLANDS OF FLANDERS

**The night that I was married
Our Captain came to me:
Rise up, rise up, new-married man
And come at once with me.**

**For the Lowlands of Flanders,
It's there that we must fight;
So look your last and buss your last,
For we shall sail to-night.**

**'Tis all for our Country
And for our King we go
To the Lowlands of Flanders
Against the German foe.**

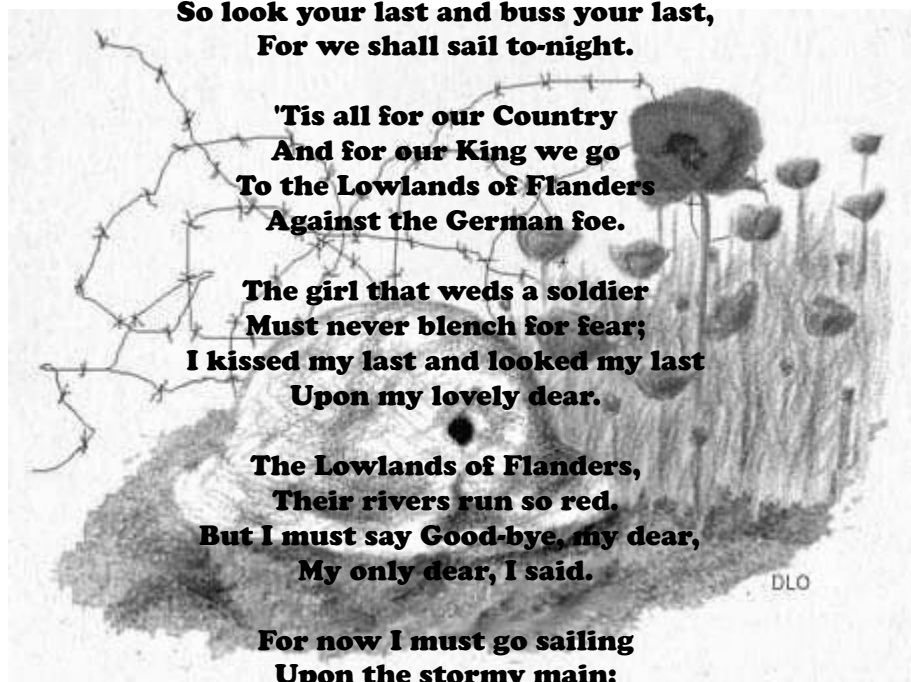
**The girl that weds a soldier
Must never blench for fear;
I kissed my last and looked my last
Upon my lovely dear.**

**The Lowlands of Flanders,
Their rivers run so red.
But I must say Good-bye, my dear,
My only dear, I said.**

**For now I must go sailing
Upon the stormy main;
Good-bye, good-bye, my only Love,
Till I shall come again.**

**I put her white arms from me,
Her cheek was cold as clay.
The night that I was married
No longer I might stay.**

**Our bugles they are blowing,
And I must sail the sea,
For the Lowlands of Flanders
Betwixt my love and me.**





Harry Donaldson Baird
Service #: R31927

Harry Donaldson Baird was born in Grand Falls on January 23rd, 1925. He served with the Navy (Tug Service) from 1944 to 1946. He was a member of Grand Falls Branch # 12 of The Royal Canadian Legion. He passed away on February 11th, 1996.

Joseph Baker
Service #: JX191514

Joseph Baker was born in Little Bay, Notre Dame Bay, Newfoundland on 2nd January, 1919. He served with the Royal Navy from 1940 to 1946. He was a member of Windsor Branch # 49 of The Royal Canadian Legion. He passed away on 10th February, 1997.



Ralph Barnes
Service #: JX299633

Ralph Barnes was born in Summerford on 16th November, 1917. He served with the Royal Navy from 1941 to 1945. He passed away on 2nd December, 1997.



James Barron
Service #: 3047

James Barron was born in Admiral's Beach, St. Mary's Bay, Newfoundland on 2nd July 1915. He served with the Newfoundland Overseas Forestry Unit from July 26th, 1940 to 11th August, 1943. He is deceased.

John F. Barron
Service #: 1934/1559726

John F. Barron was born in Admiral's Beach, St. Mary's Bay, Newfoundland on 17th January, 1917. He served with the Newfoundland Overseas Forestry Unit from April 23rd, 1940 to August, 1941 and the RAF from August, 1941 to August 1946. He was a member of Dermot Lee Branch # 62 of The Royal Canadian Legion. He passed away on 22nd January, 2006.



James Brockerville
Service #: 2614

James Brockerville was born on 24th July, 1912 in Lawn, Newfoundland. He served with the Newfoundland Overseas Forestry Unit and home Defense from 13th July, 1940 to 31st July 1946. He passed away on June 11th, 1973.



William George Butt
Service #: 2294

William George Butt was born in Queen's Cove, Newfoundland. He served with the Newfoundland Overseas Forestry Unit from 1939 to 1945. He was a member of Clarendville Branch # 27 of The Royal Canadian Legion. He is deceased.

Cyril Francis Butler
Service #: NOFU-2613
Service #: RAF-1561071

Cyril Francis Butler was born in Marystown, Newfoundland on 12th June, 1922. He served with the Newfoundland Overseas Forestry Unit from 1939 to 1941. He enlisted in the Royal Air Force from 1941 to 1946. After discharge he joined the Royal Canadian Navy Reserve for six years. He was discharged with the rank of Lieutenant. He is a Life Member of Burin Branch # 29 of The Royal Canadian Legion.



Harold Butt
Service #: 2205

Harold Butt was born in Blow Me Down, Newfoundland on 11th August, 1910. He served with the Newfoundland Overseas Forestry Unit from 1940 to 1945. He passed away on 15th May, 1981.



Gordon Candow
Service #: 970599

Gordon Candow was born in 1920. He served with the Royal Artillery from 1940 to October, 1945. He served in North Africa and Italy.

Kenneth Churchill
Service #: 2301

Kenneth Churchill was born in Hillview, Newfoundland. He served with the Newfoundland Overseas Forestry Unit from 1939 to 1945. He was a member of Clarenville Branch # 27 of The Royal Canadian Legion. He is deceased.



Hazen Clouter

Hazen Clouter served with the Royal Norwegian Merchant Navy from 1939 to 1945. He also served with the Canadian Army in Korea from 1950 to 1952.



Henley Crane
Service #: 2847358

Henley Crane was born in Upper Island Cove, Newfoundland on 15th June, 1924. He served with the Merchant Navy from July 7th, 1943 to December 6th, 1943. He was a member of Upper Island Cove Branch # 22 of The Royal Canadian Legion. He passed away on March 11th, 2000.

Mark Curlew
Service #: 1259

Mark Curlew was born in Botwood, Newfoundland on 6/1/1919. He served with the Newfoundland Overseas Forestry Unit from 1940 to 1945. He is a member of Botwood Branch # 5 of The Royal Canadian Legion.



Cyril Downey
Service #: 0216

Cyril Downey was born in Colinet, St. Mary's Bay, Newfoundland on May 5th, 1912. He served with the Newfoundland Overseas Forestry Unit from December 9th, 1939 to October 1st, 1940. He passed away on March 2nd, 1995.





Havelock Decker
Service #: JX246711

Havelock Decker was born in Ship Cove, Newfoundland. He served with the Royal Navy.

Fred Drover
Service #: E30730

Fred Drover was born in 1922. He served with the Royal Rifles - Canadian Army from 1941 to 1945. He joined the Royal Rifles of the Canadian Army (one of only six Newfoundlanders). Following training he was sent to Hong Kong. He was taken Prisoner of War on Christmas Day 1941 and was a POW until the end of the war. He was awarded the Pacific Star, the Hong Kong Medal, the US Medal, and the King George V1 Medal. He was a member of Clarenville Branch # 27 of The Royal Canadian Legion. He passed away on 5th February, 1990.



George J. Furey
Service #: CJX180784

George J. Furey was born in St. Joseph's, St. Mary's Bay, Newfoundland on June 29th, 1909. He served with the Navy. He passed away on April 14th, 1996.



Thomas Joseph Gallagher
Service #: 42 205 877

Thomas Joseph Gallagher was born in Brooklyn, New York on January 27th, 1927. He served with the United States Army from February 2nd, 1945 to January 8th, 1946. He was a member of St. John's Branch # 01 of The Royal Canadian Legion. He passed away on 24th June, 1986.

Allan Gavin

Allan Gavin was born in Westport, Newfoundland. He served with the Army.



Alexander Goodyear
Service #: 1127

Alexander Goodyear was born in Petite Forte, Newfoundland on 1921. He served with the Newfoundland Overseas Forestry Unit from 1940 to 1941 and the Merchant Navy from 1942 to 1944. He was a member of Windsor Branch # 49 of The Royal Canadian Legion. He passed away on 10th December 1995.



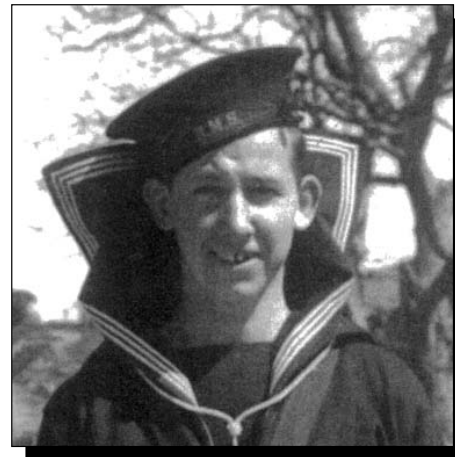


Ross J. Goodyear
Service #:1987(NOFU) & 376167 (RN)

Ross J. Goodyear was born in White Rock, Smith Sound, Newfoundland. He served with the Newfoundland Overseas Forestry Unit and the Royal Navy from 1939 to 1945. He went overseas with the Newfoundland Overseas Forestry Unit and joined the Royal Navy while in Scotland. He was a member of Clarenville Branch # 27 of The Royal Canadian Legion. He passed away in 2004.

Halstead Gosse
Service #: CJX230219

Halstead Gosse was born in Queen's Cove, Newfoundland. He served with the Royal Navy from 1940 to 1946. He is a member of Clarenville Branch # 27 of The Royal Canadian Legion.



Patrick Joseph Healey
Service #: JX208840

Patrick Joseph Healey was born in Grand Falls on 7th August, 1920. He served with the Royal Navy from 1940 to 1945. He was a member of Grand Falls Branch # 12 of The Royal Canadian Legion. He passed away on 22nd August, 1986.

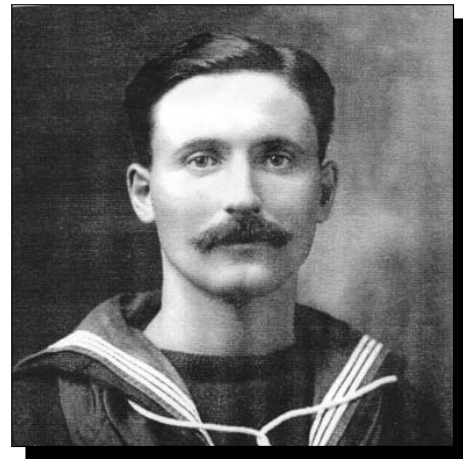


Wallace Hemeon
Service #: 1344100

Wallace Hemeon was born in Botwood, Newfoundland on July 26th, 1923. He served with the Royal Air Force. He is a member of Botwood Branch # 5 of The Royal Canadian Legion.

Alex Hewitt

Alex Hewitt was born in Westport, Newfoundland. He served with the Royal Navy.



Bertram L. Hewlin
Service #: 3430

Bertram L. Hewlin was born in Cow Head, Newfoundland in July 6th, 1915. He served with the Newfoundland Overseas Forestry Unit from July 1941 to October, 1945. He passed away on June 26th, 1994.



Albert James Hillier
Service #: 2711

Albert James Hillier was born in Trinity, Trinity Bay, Newfoundland on 15th November, 1915. He served with the Newfoundland Overseas Forestry Unit from 17th January, 1940 to 15th December, 1945. He was a member of Windsor Branch # 49 of The Royal Canadian Legion. He passed away on 25th May, 2000.

Fred Hussey
Service #: JX246604

Fred Hussey was born in Portugal Cove, Newfoundland on 15th January, 1920. He served with the Royal Navy from 1940 to 1946. He passed away on 28th December, 1985.



Arthur Inkpen
Service #: 971648

Arthur Inkpen served with the 59th Newfoundland Heavy Regiment, Royal Artillery from 1942 to 1945. He is a 60-year member of Clarendville Branch # 27 of The Royal Canadian Legion.



Gordon Lang
Service #: 888

Gordon Lang was born in Carbonear, Newfoundland on 21st July, 1924. He served with the Newfoundland Regiment from 28th August, 1942 to 2nd November, 1945. He is a past member of Carbonear Branch # 23 of The Royal Canadian Legion. He passed away on 4th October, 1978.

Thomas W. Leggetter
Service #: L/FX888237

Thomas W. Leggetter was born in London, England on 3rd June, 1914. He served with the Royal Navy from August 30th, 1939 to September 1945. He is a member of Eastport Branch # 41 of The Royal Canadian Legion.



Harold Lewis
Service #: JX185980

Harold Lewis was born in 1921. He served with the Royal Navy from 1940 to 1946. He was a member of Grand Falls Branch # 12 of The Royal Canadian Legion. He passed away in 1988.



John Lundrigan
Service #: LT/JX230095

John Lundrigan was born at Parker's Cove, Placentia Bay, Newfoundland on 17th November, 1918. He served with the Royal Navy from 1939 to 1945. He was a Life Member of Burin Branch # 29 of The Royal Canadian Legion. He passed away on 4th November, 1988.

Cyril Linehan
Service #:1953

Cyril Linehan was born in Colinet, St. Mary's Bay, Newfoundland. He served with the Newfoundland Overseas Forestry Unit from January 23rd, 1940 to 21st February, 1942. He is deceased.



Hilda Doris May (Whent)Wells
Service #: 53423

Hilda Doris May Wells served with the WRNS from 1943 to 1946. She married Neal Wells, Royal Navy.



Mabery Baxter Martin
Service #: JX208913

Mabery Baxter Martin was born in Glover's Harbour, Newfoundland on 31st May, 1919. He served with the Royal Navy from 1939 to 1945. He was a member of Botwood Branch # 5 of The Royal Canadian Legion. He passed away on 30th July, 2001.

William Mercer
Service #: JX299628

William Mercer was born in Upper Island Cove, Newfoundland on 25th November 1912. He served with the Royal Navy from 1941 to 1945. He passed away on October 10th, 1997.



George Raymond Mills
Service #: 1911

George Raymond Mills served with the Newfoundland Overseas Forestry Unit from 23rd January, 1940 to 10th August, 1943. He is deceased.

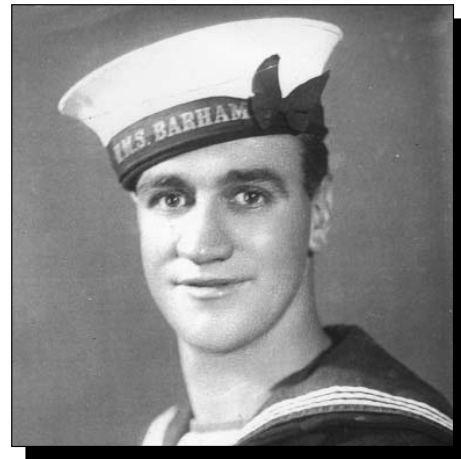


James Anthony Murphy
Service #: P/JX208912

James Anthony Murphy was born in Ship Harbour, Placentia Bay, Newfoundland on 4th October, 1920. He served with the Royal Navy from April 1940 to February 1946. He was a member of Windsor Branch # 49 of The Royal Canadian Legion. He passed away on 11th July, 1984.

Gordon Noftall
Service #: SSX28570

Gordon Noftall was born in Grand Falls in 1917. He served with the Royal Navy (Regular) from 1938 - 1946. (Survivor of HMS Barham). He was a member of Grand Falls Branch # 12 of The Royal Canadian Legion. He passed away in 1978.



Alexander Payne

Alexander Payne was born in Ramea, Newfoundland on 19th May, 1921. He served with the Merchant Navy from 1940 to 1945. He is living in Ramea, Newfoundland.

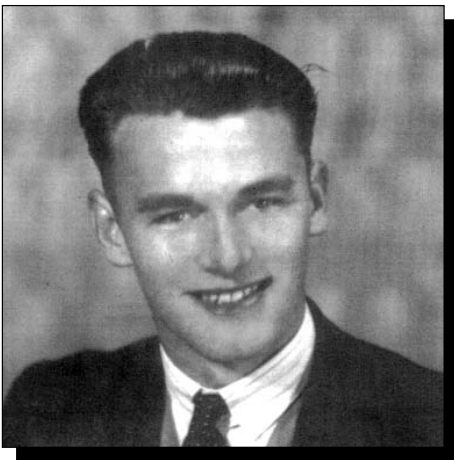
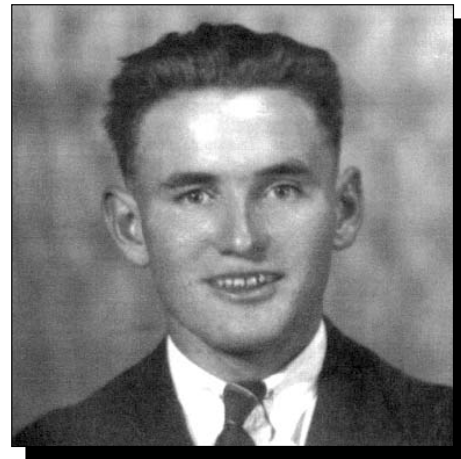


Sidney Pelley
Service #: 1918

Sidney Pelley was born in Trinity Bay, Newfoundland. He served with the Newfoundland Overseas Forestry Unit from 1939 to 1940. He is a member of Clarenville Branch # 27 of The Royal Canadian Legion.

Colin Ploughman
Service #: 2340

Colin Ploughman was born in George's Brook, Newfoundland. He served with the Newfoundland Overseas Forestry Unit from 1940 to 1946.



Eric Ploughman
Service #: 1917

Eric Ploughman was born in George's Brook, Newfoundland. He served with the Newfoundland Overseas Forestry Unit from 1939 to 1946. He is deceased.



Brendan D. Power
Service #: 268

Brendan D. Power was born in Mt. Carmel, St. Mary's Bay, Newfoundland on 20th November, 1921. He served with the Newfoundland Overseas Forestry Unit from November 1939 to August, 1945. He also served with the Home Guard, Defence Forces from November 20th, 1942 to December 31st, 1944 and the Toronto Scottish Regiment, York County, Toronto from April 4th, 1961 to August, 1967.

Clayton Stephen Rogers
Service #: 1561076

Clayton Stephen Rogers was born in Creston South, Marystown, Newfoundland. He served with the Newfoundland Overseas Forestry Unit from 1939 to 1941. He enlisted with the Royal Air Force/Bomber Command as a rear Gunner from 1941 to 1946.



Joseph Rogers

Joseph Rogers was born in Creston South, Marystown, Newfoundland on 4th July, 1917. He served with the British Merchant Navy from 1939 - 1945. He passed away on June 16th, 2000.



Walter Rogers

Walter Rogers was born in Creston South, Marystown, Newfoundland on August 8th, 1924. He served with the 166th Newfoundland Royal Artillery from 1939 to 1945. He passed away on June 9th, 1979.

Alexander Rowsell
Service #: DX4446

Alexander Rowsell was born 29th September, 1919. He served with the Canadian Highland Light Infantry from August, 1941 to August, 1946. He served in France, Belgium, Holland and Germany. He passed away in March of 1992.



Wilson E. J. Simms
Service #: 1686

Wilson E. J. Simms was born in Fogo, Newfoundland on 4th October, 1925. He served with the Royal Newfoundland Regiment.



Mary Blanch Smith
Service #: W314400

Mary Blanch Smith served with the Royal Canadian Air Force from December 1943 to September 1945. She is a member of Clarendville Branch # 27 of The Royal Canadian Legion.

Leonard Snow
Service #: 1356316

Leonard Snow was born in Fogo, Newfoundland in 1920. He served with the Royal Air Force from 23rd July 1940 to 28th April, 1946. He was a member of Windsor Branch # 49 of The Royal Canadian Legion. He passed away on 20th November, 1992.



Cecil Stansbury
Service #: JX1888370

Cecil Stansbury was born in St. John's, Newfoundland in 1919. He served with the Royal Navy. He was killed in action on the HMS Jervis Bay on 5/11/40.



Frank Stansbury
Service #: RTPR3000708

Frank Stansbury was born in St. John's, Newfoundland on 16th May, 1923. He served with the Merchant Navy from 1943 to 1946. He is a life member of St. John's Branch # 01 of The Royal Canadian Legion.

Frederick Strowbridge

Frederick Strowbridge was born in Butter Cove, Newfoundland on 26th June, 1915. He served with the Canadian Army. He passed way on 1st October, 1999.



George Stuckless

George Stuckless was born in Pumbley Cove, Newfoundland. He served with the Canadian Army.





Robert Joseph Taylor
Service #: F51144

Robert Joseph Taylor served with the Canadian Army (Active) Halifax, Nova Scotia from 24th September 1942 to discharge in Halifax, Nova Scotia on 17th October, 1945. He was awarded the 1939 - 45 France - Germany Star; the Defence Medal, and the Canadian Volunteer Service Medal & Clasp.

Fred Thoms
Service #: PJX220969

Fred Thoms was born in Boyd's Cove, Notre Dame Bay, Newfoundland on 27th August, 1921. He served with the Royal Navy from 1940 to 1945.



Aaron Tilley
Service #: 1927

Aaron Tilley was born in Clarenville, Newfoundland. He served with the Newfoundland Overseas Forestry Unit from 1939 to 1945. He was a member of Clarenville Branch # 27 of The Royal Canadian Legion. He passed away on 13th October, 2004.



John Tremblett
Service #: 3782

John Tremblett was born in Windsor, Newfoundland on 5th December 1925. He served with the Royal Newfoundland Regiment from 1942 to 1945. He is a Life Member of Windsor Branch # 49 of The Royal Canadian Legion.

Walter B. Tucker, OC, MBE, CD
Service #: 970442

Walter B. Tucker was born in St. John's, Newfoundland in 1920. He enlisted in the 1st Royal Artillery Draft from Grand Falls on May 12th, 1940. Served with the 57th Newfoundland Heavy Regiment Royal Artillery. OCTU, Clifton College, Bristol, 1941. Commissioned in the Royal Army Service Corps, posted to the Indian Army and served in Burma with the 14th Army from 1942 to 1946. He was the 1st officer in the Canadian Army Militia in Grand Falls in 1949 (OC B Coy R Nfld R) and the 1st OIC of the Grand Falls Armoury (later called the Beaumont Hamel Armoury). He was CO, Royal Newfoundland Regiment 1956 - 60 then Commander # 1 Militia Group, retiring as Brigadier in 1966. He was the 1st mayor of Grand Falls when it became a municipality. He passed away in 2000.



Alonzo Turpin
Service #: JX766327

Alonzo Turpin was born in St. Lawrence, Newfoundland on 18th October, 1917. He served with the Royal Navy from 30th July, 1938 to 1946. He was a member of Windsor Branch # 49 of The Royal Canadian Legion. He passed away on 29th June, 1982.



Lawrence Walsh
Service #: P/JX216785

Lawrence Walsh was born in Windsor, Newfoundland on 13th December, 1921. He served with the Royal Navy from 29th July, 1940 to 25th March, 1946. He was a member of Windsor Branch # 49 of The Royal Canadian Legion. He passed away on 3rd September, 1989.

Hubert Medley Neal Wells
Service #: C/JX204798

Hubert Medley Neal Wells was born in Grand Falls, Newfoundland. He served with the Royal Navy from 1940 to 1946.



Sidney Don Wheeler
Service #: JX299639

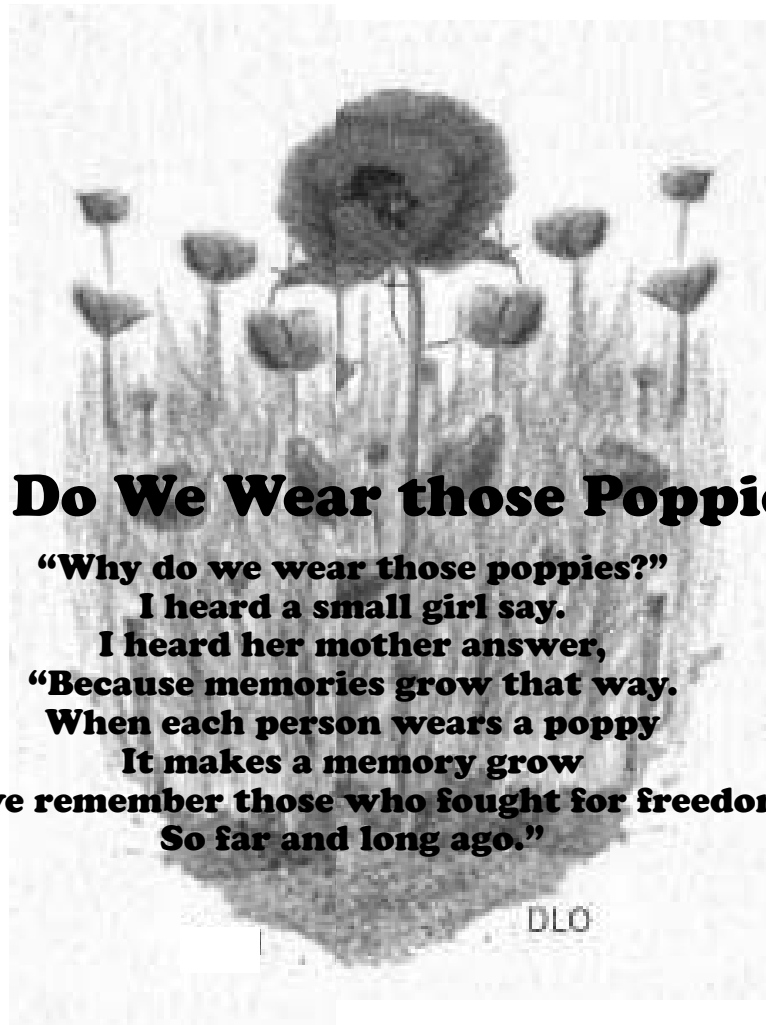
Sidney Don Wheeler was born in Summerford in 1922. He served with the Royal Navy from 1941 to 1942. He was killed in action on board the HMS Cleopatra on 22nd March, 1942.





Nathaniel Wiseman
Service #: 315725

Nathaniel Wiseman was born in Little Harbour, Newfoundland in 4th March 1920. He served with the 17th Contingent of the Royal Navy from 1941 to 1946. He passed away on 20th November, 1990.



Why Do We Wear those Poppies?

**“Why do we wear those poppies?”
 I heard a small girl say.
 I heard her mother answer,
 “Because memories grow that way.
 When each person wears a poppy
 It makes a memory grow
 So we remember those who fought for freedom
 So far and long ago.”**

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July 1st, 1916



Douglas England
Service #: SN1285

Douglas England was born in St. John's, Newfoundland on 9th February, 1931. He served with the RCE 25th CLB from 1951 to 1954. He is a Life Member of St. John's Branch # 01 of The Royal Canadian Legion.

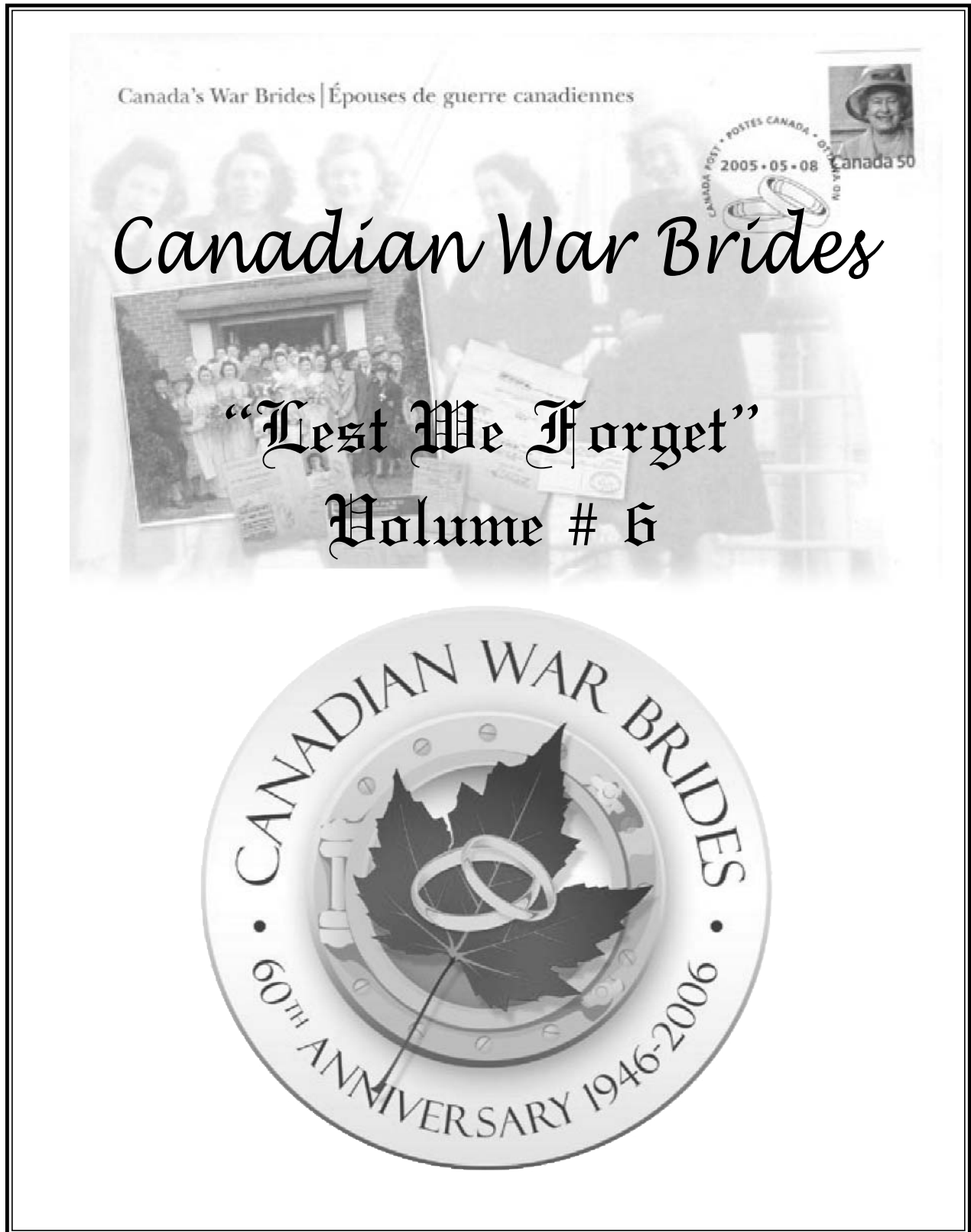
Clifford "Tori" Guy

Clifford Guy was born in October, 1932. He joined the Royal Canadian Navy from January, 1951 to January, 1956. He served in Korea from September 1951 to September 1952.



Ted Rideout
Service #: 223918

Ted Rideout was born in Campbelltown, Newfoundland on October 3rd, 1931. He joined the Royal Canadian Air Force from 1956 to March 1958. He is presently a member of Lewisporte Branch # 31 of The Royal Canadian Legion.





*Newfoundland & Labrador Command
The Royal Canadian Legion
Salutes the Canadian War Brides
on their
60th Anniversary*



The term "war bride" refers to the thousands of young women who met and married Canadian servicemen during the Second World War. These war brides were mostly from Britain, but a few thousand were also from other areas of Europe: the Netherlands, Belgium, France, Italy and Germany. During the Second World War, there were an estimated 48,000 war brides and, when the war ended, most of these young women and their children (nearly 22,000) followed their husbands to a new life in Canada.

War brides also came to Canada after the First World War. The official Government of Canada history of the First World War reports that an estimated 54,000 relatives accompanied the returning troops during demobilization from Britain to Canada.

The story of the Canadian war brides and their journey to Canada is one of the most fascinating and romantic of World War Two. Why nearly 45,000 British and European women would leave behind everything that was familiar to start a new life in post-war Canada is a story worth telling.

The war brides came from all over the United Kingdom and from nearly every country on the European continent, but the vast majority (93%) were British - and the reasons are fairly obvious. Canadians were among the first to come to the assistance of Britain after war was declared in 1939 and they spent more time there than any other member of the Allied Forces.

In fact, just 43 days after Canadian soldiers arrived in December, 1939, they celebrated the first marriage between a British woman and a Canadian serviceman at Farnborough Church in the Aldershot area.

That marriage, and the 48,000 which followed over the next six years, formed part of the most unusual emigrant wave to hit Canada's shores: All women, all of the same generation, and mostly British, these nearly 45,000 war brides are an important part of Canadian history that has gone relatively unnoticed by historians and journalists alike .

As a group, the war brides shared many similarities: but far and above the image of a British war bride with her loveable accent and tea cosy, these women represented a diversity of experience that makes them as different from one another as they are to other immigrant groups in the post-war era.

But whether they were English, Scottish, Irish, Welsh, Dutch, French, Belgian or Italian, the War Brides have the shared experience of meeting and marrying a Canadian soldier during war time, leaving their home country for a new world by trans-Atlantic ship across the ocean, crossing Canada by war bride train, settling in to their new homes, raising families and adapting to a new culture, language and religion at a time in our history when the future held great promise for new Canadians.

We salute this remarkable group of Canadian citizens who, for love, followed their husbands. Where their returning Veterans went, these young women followed – and made their new homes in their young and growing land. These women were welcomed to their new communities and new families. The contributions of these new Canadians would soon extend far beyond the walls of their homes as they entered into the life of their communities and enriched it with their many abilities and hard work. The years following the Second World War were ones of unprecedented change for Canada and our country's war brides have played an important part in the growth and development of the free and peaceful Canada that we enjoy today.

Many Canadian families and communities count themselves the richer for the contributions of the thousands of war brides, both of the First and the Second World War, who have made Canada their home.



May Ash

May Ash was born in Ayr, Scotland. She married Sgt. George Ash (970199) 166th Newfoundland Field Regiment, Royal Artillery at the Auld Kirk, Ayr, Scotland on 17th August, 1945. She arrived in Newfoundland on 2nd April, 1946.

Eve Badcock

Eve Badcock was born in Isle of Jheppey, Kent, England on October 22nd, 1925. She married Petty Officer 4th Class, Gordon Bryce, Royal Navy. She arrived in Newfoundland on 28th October, 1945.



**Eve (Hill) Baggs
Service #: W2159**

**Eric Baggs
Service#: 970041**

Eve Baggs was born in Stockon-on-Tees, England. She served with the Auxiliary Territorial Services from 1939-1944. She married Eric Baggs on 22nd August, 1942 in Stockon-on-Tees, England. The both arrived back in Newfoundland on 29th December 1945 on the Dutchess Bedford. Eric Baggs was born in St. John's, Newfoundland. He was the 41st person to enlist with the 166th Newfoundland Field Regiment, Royal Artillery and served from April, 1940 to December, 1945. Eve Baggs is deceased. Eric Baggs resides in St. John's, Newfoundland and is a member of Pleasantville Branch # 56 of The Royal Canadian Legion.

Alice (Duffus) Brockerville

Alice Brockerville was born in Croy Nainshire, Scotland on 10th May, 1926. She served with the Woman's Land Army from 15th April, 1941 to April 1946. She arrived in Newfoundland on 3rd August, 1946. She is a member of Lawn Branch #58 of The Royal Canadian Legion.





J. Denise Butler

J. Denise Butler was born in Swansea, South Wales on 3rd August, 1924. She married Gordon F. Butler, Royal Air Force. She arrived in Newfoundland on 17th June, 1946.



Eileen Dicks

Eileen Dicks was born in London, U.K on 4/11/21. She served with the Royal Air Force from 1942 to 1945. She arrived in Newfoundland in 1946.



Kathleen Fagan

Kathleen Fagan was born in Tonbridge, England. She married Sgt. Jim Fagan, 59th Newfoundland Heavy Regiment, Royal Artillery. She arrived in Newfoundland in 1946.

Mairi Gosse

Mairi Gosse was born in Scotland on June 29th, 1925. She married Kenneth Gosse. She arrived in Newfoundland on 4/04/1946.





Mary Kathleen (Mace) Gould

Mary Kathleen Gosse was born in Medicine Hat, Alberta, Canada. She returned to England as a baby in 1921 and remained there until 1946 when she married and moved to Newfoundland. She passed away on October 8th, 2005.



Margaret T. (Fettes) Hillier

Margaret Hillier was born in Elgin, Scotland on 11th November, 1921. She married Albert James Hillier, Newfoundland Overseas Forestry Unit, in Buckie, Scotland on 10th June, 1942. She arrived in Newfoundland on 14th December 1945. She passed away on 9th January, 1981.



Betty Hunt
Service #: 21421

Betty Hunt was born in Chatham, England on January 1st, 1920. She served with the WRNS, HMS Collingwood, Portsmouth, England from January 1941 to June 1945. She arrived in Newfoundland in January, 1946. She is a member of Deer Lake Branch # 03 of The Royal Canadian Legion.

Sgt. Thelma (Marper) Kirby
Service #: W/146478

Thelma Kirby was born in Australia on July 27th, 1921. She served with the ATS from 2/4/1942 to 8/8/1945. She arrived in Newfoundland on January 14th, 1946. She was a member of Pleasantville Branch # 56 of The Royal Canadian Legion.





Winifred Joan (Laite) Brown

Winifred Joan Brown was born in Dorset, England on 23rd December, 1921. She married Wallace Laite, Royal Artillery (970283). She arrived in Newfoundland on 28th December, 1945. She is a member of Pleasantville Branch # 56 of The Royal Canadian Legion.



Heather (Levien) Larder
Service #: W/89197

Heather Larder was born in Halstead, Essex, UK on 5/10/1922. She served with the 216th Search Light Regiment, Royal Artillery (A.T.S.) from 7th October, 1941 to 22nd March, 1943. She is a member of Pleasantville Branch # 56 of The Royal Canadian Legion.



Gertrude (Smith) Lewis

Gertrude Lewis was born in Hull, Yorkshire, England on 9th September, 1921. She married A/B Harold Lewis, Royal Navy, July 17th, 1942. She is a member of Royal Canadian Legion, Grand Falls Branch # 12, Ladies Auxiliary.

Sylvia (MacKenzie) LeGrow
Service #: 2013

Sylvia LeGrow was born in Scotland, on 23rd May, 1924. She served with the Woman's Timber Corps, from 4th January, 1943 to 29th December, 1945. She arrived in Newfoundland on 18th July, 1946.





Annie Elizabeth (Meikle) Maddock

Elizabeth Maddock was born in Edinburgh, Scotland. She married John Maddock in Scotland on 22nd November, 1944. She arrived in Newfoundland on 26th November, 1947. She is presently living in Kelligrews, Newfoundland.

Norah (Hayes) Martin
Service #: 26873

Norah Martin was born in Kingston - on - Thames, Surey, England on 28th October, 1922. She served with the Woman's Royal Naval Service from October 21st, 1942 to January, 1946. She arrived in Newfoundland on 31st March, 1946. She is presently living in Gander, Newfoundland.



Jean McLintock McPherson

Jean McLintock McPherson was born in Glasgow, Scotland. She served as a Telephone Operator. She married Larry Gladney, in 1941 when he was in Scotland serving with the Newfoundland Overseas Forestry Unit. She arrived in Newfoundland in 1945. She is presently living in Clarenville, Newfoundland and a member of Clarenville Branch # 27 of The Royal Canadian Legion.

Ethel (Hodgson) Noftall

Ethel Noftall was born in Wombwell, England on 24th April, 1922. She married Gordon Noftall, Royal Navy on 26th August, 1944. She is presently living in Grand Falls and a member of the Ladies Auxiliary of Grand Falls Branch # 12 of The Royal Canadian Legion.





Ellen O'Leary
Service #: 186137

Ellen O'Leary was born in Glasgow, Scotland on 19th October, 1920. She served with the ATS from 12th June, 1942 to 18th May, 1944. She married Frank O'Leary. She arrived in Newfoundland in December of 1945. She is presently living in St. John's, Newfoundland and a member of St. John's Branch # 01 of The Royal Canadian Legion.



Gladys (Mayberry) Penney

Gladys Penney was born in Cneff, Scotland on 18th September, 1922. She arrived in Newfoundland on 2nd April, 1946.



Nancy A. Pike

Nancy Pike was born in Greenock, Scotland on 12th May, 1920. She arrived in Newfoundland in 1956. She is presently a member of Stephenville Branch # 35 of The Royal Canadian Legion.

Helen Patten
Service #: W/99335

Helen Patten was born in Scotland on 13th April, 1925. She served with the British A.T.S. from 1941 to 1945. She arrived in Newfoundland on 28th February, 1957. She is presently living in Traytown, Bonavista Bay, Newfoundland and is a member of Eastport Branch # 41 of The Royal Canadian Legion.





Winifred (Bennett) Ploughman

Winifred Ploughman was born in Bray, Ireland on 21st January, 1923. She married Cpl. Frederick Ploughman (125th Squadron Newfoundland Wing of the R.A.F) on 29th April, 1944. She arrived in Newfoundland on March 29th, 1946. She is presently living in Port Rexton, Trinity Bay, Newfoundland.

Denise J. (Hatton) Rees
Service #: 2419948

Denise J. Rees was born in London, England on 24th May, 1925. She served with the W.A.A.F. from February, 1944 to June, 1947. She arrived in Newfoundland on 21st August, 1953. She is presently living in St. John's, Newfoundland.



Edith Dorothy Margaret Roach
Service #: W/131929

E. Dorothy M. Roach was born in Porth Sth. Wales on January 2nd, 1924. She served with the ATS as a Radar Operator from 29th January, 1942 to 1st April, 1954. She arrived in Newfoundland in April of 1946. She is presently living in Glovertown, Newfoundland and is a member of Eastport Branch # 41 of The Royal Canadian Legion.

Daphne (Peters) Rolls

Daphne Rolls was born in Ventnor, Isle of Wight, England on 7th March, 1919. She arrived in Newfoundland in May of 1945.





Margaret (Hunter) Rowe

Margaret Rowe was born in Co. Tyrone, England on 29th May, 1920. She arrived in Newfoundland on 29th March, 1946. She is presently living in Conception Bay South, Newfoundland.



Brenda E. Saunders

Brenda E. Saunders was born in S. Wales, U.K. on 3rd July, 1925. She married William Saunders, Royal Navy, who is presently a Life Member of St. John's Branch # 01 of The Royal Canadian Legion. She arrived in Newfoundland on 28th March, 1946. She is presently living in St. John's, Newfoundland.



Veronica A. Smith

Veronica A. Smith was born in Frampton, Dorset, England on 11th October, 1915. She married Robert J. Smith, Royal Artillery. She arrived in Newfoundland in August of 1946 from Manchester, England. She is presently living in Conception Bay South and is a member of St. John's Branch # 01 of The Royal Canadian Legion.



Genevive Sparkes

Genevive Sparkes was born in Cambridgeshire, England. She married R. W. Sparkes, 166th Royal Artillery. She arrived in Newfoundland in March of 1946.



Moira (McCabe) Sparkes

Moira Sparkes was born in Dundee, Scotland. She married Robert Sparkes, Royal Navy Submarine Service on 11th November 1944 in Dundee, Scotland. She is presently living in Paradise, Newfoundland.



Eileen Steele

Eileen Steele was born in S. Wales, Scotland on 23rd July, 1921. She arrived in Newfoundland on 28th March, 1946. She is presently living in St. John's, Newfoundland.



Enid (Gates) Stevenson

Enid Stevenson was born in Pately Bridge, Yorks, England on November 29th, 1920. She served as a Registered Nurse during World War II. She arrived in Newfoundland on 30th October, 1945.

Helen Sullivan

Helen Sullivan was born in Scotland. She married Harold Sullivan, Royal Navy in 1946.





Mary Ann Weadon

Mary Ann Weadon was born in Edinburgh, Scotland on March 23rd, 1924. During the WW II she worked in a Munitions Factory. She arrived in Newfoundland in March of 1946. She is presently living in Carbonear, Newfoundland.



Helen (Marsh) Williams

Helen Williams was born in London, England on 6th July, 1921. From 1939 to 1944 she served with the Civil Defence - Metropolitan Borough of Islington, Department of Public Health, 1st Aid Post and Air Raid Precaution Work. She married Fred V. Williams **. She arrived in Newfoundland on 28th December, 1945. She is presently living in St. John's, Newfoundland and is a member of Pleasantville Branch # 56 of The Royal Canadian Legion.



Yvonne Ida Holly Wiseman

Yvonne Ida Holly Wiseman was born in Goodmayes, Great Britain on 29th September, 1916. During the war she served with the V.A.D. She arrived in Newfoundland on 22nd November, 1945. She passed away on 1st July, 1997.

**Southampton harbour in the Spring
On a sunny April day
The shouts of stevedores pulling ropes
And a liner huge and grey
Some anxious soldiers march and pace
The busy, noisy dock
A sweeping seagull screams farewell -
the echo seems to mock
The liner shifts her great hulk;
sirens sound
A shrill salute to this great ship
on her last voyage bound
Six hundred war brides crowd on deck
to watch the fading shore
The wartime years - "blood sweat and tears"
go deep in memory's core
White capped water, smoking stacks
the land now ribbon thin
When can we hope to see again
Our country and our kin.**



Forget Them Not



We've lined their boots all in a row,
 And amongst them stand,
 The saddest scene I'll ever know,
 Goodbye dear friend, goodbye!
 Through mud and rain and battle blows,
 We cried cursed prayers,
 On blood-soaked clothes;
 And from that wound his life did flow,
 Please stay we begged, please stay!
 There is a time that soldiers know,
 When so many die,
 That the pain and woe,
 Is too much for the mind to hold;
 Roll on your drums, roll on!
 A band of brothers stand in their rows;
 The empty boots still,
 Where a life did grow,
 Our friends have gone, no more to know;
 Remember them always, remember!

