

ROBERT ELIHUE BYERS

Robert, second son of Mr. and Mrs. William Edward Byers, came from Stanstead, Quebec, in 1920, with his parents to live in Maynard. He attended Dulmage's School, S. S. 5, Augusta, and Prescott High School. At the time of his enlistment, he was working in Northern Ontario.

On August 8, 1940, he enlisted in the Army at Ottawa, joining No. 8 Company of the Canadian Forestry Corps. He trained at Valcartier, near Quebec City, and left on February 14, 1941 from Yarmouth, Nova Scotia, for Scotland. He spent some time training in England, and went to the Continent, France, Belgium and Germany in the course of his duties.

At Nairn, Scotland, Bob met and married Miss Isabel Macdonald, June 6, 19 He was discharged September 1945 in Canada, and secured employment as an attendant at the Ontario Hospital, Brockville. He and his wife built a home on the North Augusta Road, near the city. They have one son, Robert.

-researched for the T.H.Book.

Robert Byers d. Sept. 22, 1994 M.C. #391



DOUGLAS STARR CONKLIN

Douglas was born in Maynard, April 8, 1916, third son of Mr. William Conklin and his wife, the former Florence Ferguson. He attended Dulmage's School, S. S. 5 Augusta and Prescott High School.

June 17, 1940 he enlisted in the Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry Highlanders at Brockville, and trained there for 2 months. From there he went to Kingston, then to Ottawa at Lansdowne Park for the winter months. The unit went to Debert, Nova Scotia, and in July 1941 overseas on the Orion, a small ship in convoy. For the next 3 years he trained in various parts of Britain, as with others they waited for the advance to Europe.

D-Day, June 6, 1944, the unit went to France, and tookpart in many historic engagements - Caen, Falaise, through France into Belgium, and Holland along the canal route. They were at Cleve on February 18, and May 8, 1945 at Embden, Germany. By this time, Doug had been promoted to rank of sergean.

He was repatriated August 16, 1945 and discharged from service in November of that year.

At home, he purchased a farm on the 6th concession and took up residence there with his wife, Ruth Devereaux, and 2 children, a son Frank and daughter Patricia. In 1976 he retired from farming and his job as Augusta Road Superintendent and built a new home on Lot 16, Con. 3, where he and his wife now live. (1980)

1941 - photo taken in Truro, just prior to leaving for overseas.

Douglas and son Frank, aged 3½ yr.



KENNETH WILLIAM BARTON

Kenneth, younger son of Mr. Fred Barton, and his wife, Violet Perrin, of Charleville, enlisted at Brockville, July 22, 1940, joining the Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry Highlanders training there. He continued in Canada until July 1941 when the "Glens" went overseas.

For a year he trained in England, then transferred to Canadian Forestry Corps in Scotland where he remained until October 1943. In that month he returned to Canada, and was discharged at Kingston, August 15, 1945.

Kenneth was married to the former Dorothy Stephenson, and had 3 sons and 2 daughters: Glen, Ross and Brian, and Joan and Ruth. The family lived on a farm near North Augusta until his death, February 21, 1970, aged 53 years. Born November 22, 1935.

He is buried in Maynard Cemetery, Lot 338. Dept. of Veterans Affairs.

- T.H.B. Scrapbook
Goldie A. Connell



DONALD BRUCE FRETWELL

Donald, eldest son of Mr. Erwin Fretwell and his wife, Ida P. McBroom, was born January 25, 1920, and educated in S.S. 5, Augusta, and Prescott High School. He enlisted in the Royal Canadian Air Force, September 1941, and in February, after basic training, he began a course in mechanics at Ottawa. At the conclusion of this course, he was sworn in at Ottawa, June 1942, Air Craftsman (AC 2)

He took further training at Toronto and finished mechanics course at St. Thomas, now an aero-engine mechanic, entry 118. Next he was sent to Service Flying Training School at Brantford (AC1), and remained there until posted overseas, January 1943.

In Britain Don was stationed at Royal Air Force Bomber Station at East Moor, attached to R.A.F., and was there for 6 months before joining #429 Squadron, Leeming, 6 Group Bomber Command, R.C.A.F. He was there for, except for temporary move to Topcliff while airdrome was under construction, servicing big bombers which were raiding enemy territory. Promoted to Leading Aircraftsman (LAC) Donald spent 2 months at Torquay in the south of England awaiting repatriation, then came on the Queen Elizabeth, reaching Halifax November 23, 1945, and being discharged December 14 at Rockcliffe Airport, Ottawa.

In Maynard he purchased a farm, and with his wife, the former Dorothy Hanna, and daughter Corinne, lived there. When DuPont of Canada came to Augusta, he was employed there, as well as on the farm.

-from his family.



IVAN NICHOLSON GILCHRIST, WITH HIS WIFE, MAY WORDIE, GLASGOW, SCOTLAND.

Ivan Nicholson Gilchrist, second son of Henry N. Gilchrist and Sarah Luella Cutway, was born October 7, 1921, while they were living in the housing at Charleville cheese factory, corner of Concession 4 and the Charleville Road. The family moved later to the house owned by Oscar Carson, near that family home. His early education was received at the Charleville Public School, S.S. 9, Augusta.

At an early age, he worked during summer vacations on the farms of Oscar Carson, Jim Atkinson, Arthur Dulmage, and picked berries at Joseph Knapp's. When he was sixteen, he worked for Lawrence Fretwell's Grenville Dairy, on the farm and in the dairy, delivering milk in Prescott. He joined the Canadian Army on September 2, 1942, enlisting in Ottawa as direct reinforcement with the Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry Highlanders.

Following basic training in Ottawa, he was moved in November to Camp Borden for advanced training. During this time, he qualified on the 3" mortars. He went overseas in February, 1943, on the Queen Elizabeth which had been stripped and converted to serve as a troopship. They docked at Fourock, Scotland, and boarded a troop train for the

Aldershop training centre in England, where they all took battle training. He applied, and was accepted, for a Regimental Signals course at Cone in England, and, when he graduated, there were no signallers required by the S,D,& G Highlanders, so he worked in the army postoffice at Cone.

In February 1944, he joined the S. D. & G. Highlanders' Signal Platoon at Fareham in England, and intensive training and water and assault schemes were the order of the day in preparation for the "D" day operations in France. The S. D. & G. Highlanders were in the 9th Canadian Highland Infantry Brigade of the 3rd Canadian Division, given the job for the "D" day assault on the coast of France. They were assigned the area of Berniere Sur Mer, where they landed on "D" day. Ivan was the Signaller wireless (radio) operator for 2T Colonel G. H. Christianson, and landed with him, his driver, gunner and Brigade Signaller. This was the introduction to what war was all about with each side playing for keeps.

They fought their way through France, (where Ivan was recommended for Mention in Despatch), Belgium, the Scheldt and channel ports, and cleared the way for the opening of the Port of Antwerp, so there would be more direct route for much-needed supplies. He was promoted to Lance Corporal at that time. They took over from the American Airborne in the Jijmegen area of Holland, and held the bridge and flats against the Germans. During the winter, the drive into Germany started, the Hockwald and Reichwold forests and water crossing into Germany, then through the Low Country in Holland and the Friesland and Leewarden areas.

When Cease Fire was ordered, they were in the German part of Emden to secure it and bring out the surrendering Germans. After this situation cleared, they were moved back to Helversum, Holland, awaiting instructions. Some of the soldiers would be returning to Canada in the next few months, a Canadian Division was being formed to fight against the Japanese, another division was to be formed to move into Germany for the Army of Occupation. Ivan joined the permanent army and the Army of Occupation, and was then stationed in Varel, Germany.

Promoted to rank of Corporal in the Signal Platoon of the 3rd Battalion, S. D. & H. Highlanders, the role of the Highlanders was to be a policing force, responsible for overseeing a camp of Russian soldiers who had been captured earlier by the Germans on the Russian front, and to be certain that they were returned to Russia in the most feasible way, and to be certain that the Germans caused no trouble. As a signal platoon corporal, Ivan was responsible for all radio and telephone communications and training the new people who came into the platoon. He applied for, and was accepted for a Senior non-commissioned officers refresher and qualifications course at the Royal School of Signals at Catterick, Yorkshire, England. Upon graduation, he had 16 day leave, and spent it, as usual, at his favourite spot, Glasgow, Scotland. On this leave, he met his future wife, Mary (May) Wordie.

Back in Germany, he was moved to Oldenburg, and promoted to rank of Signal Seargeant. Along with his duties of running the signal platoon, he was asked to instruct Dutch officers in signal training, since he had learned the language during his time in Jijmegen. He was pleased to do this to continue using Dutch language and to be associated with the Dutch for whom he had, and still has, the greatest respect. This was a worthwhile and enjoyable experience that continued for 2 months.

In April 1946, Ivan was awarded the Oak Leaf Cluster, Mention in Despatch, with the following citation - "By King's order, the name of Lance-Corporal Ivan Nicholson Gilchrist was published in the London Gazette on the 4th day of April, 1946, as mentioned in a despatch for distinguished service. I am charged to record His Majesty's high appreciation".

Signed J. J. Lawson Secretary of State for WAr.

In May, 1946, orders came that the Canadian ARmy of Oocupation Forces duties were to be taken over by the British Army, and the Canadians to return to Canada. They turned in their equipment and responsibilities, and returned to England for 2 weeks leave. As several Canadians would be still required for service in England and Holland, Ivan volunteered to remain, and was assured that this would be done. With this resolved (he thought), May and Ivan becme engaged and planned their wedding in Scotland for September.

Following leave, he returned to England to find that he was on draft for Canada, and there was no way that could be changed. He and May were very disappointed with this, but this was the army, so Ivan returned to Canada. After 30 days disembarkation leave, Ivan reported to Kingston, and tried various means to get back to England while still in the army, but this was not possible. He applied for discharge then, having been offered some challenging postings. He received discharge August 5, 1946, and joined Bell Telephone Comany of Canada in Kingston, from which he retired after more than 36 years of service.

In April 1947, May finally arrived in Prescott from Scotland, and they were married May 24, 1947, in Victoria United Church, Maynard, by Rev. J. Payton. Gordon and Dorothy Fresque were the best man and matron of honour.

In 1951, the Princess of Wales Own Regiment, an army reserve militia unit in Kingston, asked Ivan to join as the Signal Seargeant, as they had no one qualified to do this. For the next 6 years, he was the Signal Seargeant there.

Ivan Gilchrist has the following service ribbons and medals--1939 Star, France and Germany Star, Defense of Britain medal, Canadian Volunteer medal and clasp, the Victory medal, the Oak Leaf cluster and Mention in Despatch.

Fran died in =contributed by I. N. Gilchrist, 1985.

Kingston, May 22, 1991. His remains donated
to Queen's University

Once fell into mail bag! Cheerful Tommy Walker retiring from Post Office at year's end

By BETTY MacDOWELL Staff Writer

Genial Tommy Walker is experiencing his last Christmas season at the Brockville Post Office. He retired from his job there on December 30, after 281/2 years of serving the mailing public.

And he will be greatly missed by the Post Office's many customers, particularly the bank employees who come in each morning for the registered mail, which is one of Tom's particular areas of work there.

He's also a great favorite among the Post Office staff, who are now wondering who will do the work of sorting through the undelivered mail (another speciality of Mr. Walker's), with the same amount of unflappable pleasant approach that he has for any job he tackles.

Thomas Lowell Walker was born in Aberdeen, Scotland, and orphaned at an early age, his father having died in Italy in 1918 from the flu, and his mother shortly after.

CAME FROM SCOTLAND

He came to Canada with the Quarrier Homes Scotland, settling in Brockville at the Fairknowe Home for Orphaned Boys under the sponsorship of the late Claude Winters. He was followed by his brother, David Walker, who also remained a Brockville resident until his death here in 1973. A brother Fred also came over from Scotland, but went back home as he didn't care for farming. Both he and their sister, Georgina, who lived in Toronto, are also dead now. So Tom is the last of

After farming for 10 years he joined Phillips Electric (now Cables), then the RCAF during World War Two. He served overseas in the bomber command, flying Germany France as a wireless air gunner. After his tour of duty he spent two years in India with the internal Ferry Command, attached to the RAF, with rank of Flying Officer.

Tom Walker returned to Brockville and resumed his work at Phillips. He was married while overseas to Joan Storey, and they have three children-two boys and a girl-and four grandchildren

STARTED AS CARRIER

In 1948 he joined the Post Office staff in Brockville, and was a letter carrier for eight years. But for the last 20 years he has been behind the desk orders and money registered mail. He works at a good, fast pace and is always cheerful with customers and fellow employees.

He's had some interesting experiences during his postal career. While delivering mail he had occasion to rescue two little boys out of bathroom windows when they got locked in. On both occasions the residences were on Front avenue-one on the east end and the other on the extreme west end.

And then there was the time he fell into a mail bag and couldn't get out!

"I'm not very tall and I had a devil of a time, as I couldn't get any leverage

with my legs or feet. It's a good thing that Wilfrid Loverin was working nearby at the time, or I might still be there. He saw what had happened and pulled me out," Tom recalls with a grin. The mail sack was a big canvas one attached to the wall. He went in head first and couldn't get his arms or hands free to push his

"They're still kidding me about that incident, which is funny now," he remarks.

He has spent a lot of time trying to find the destination for undelivered mail. People will mean to send a letter to another city, will put the correct street address, then write Brockville instead of the proper town or city. It's been quite a puzzle over the years trying to figure out just where these letters and parcels were meant to go.

"If senders would only put on a return address there would be a great deal less lost mail," he reminds.

PLANNING TRIPS

Tom Walker is looking forward to his retirement, Post Office.

although he will miss meeting the public every day. He enjoys travelling and he and his wife plan to go to either Barbados or Florida in February—and they are already booked to Bermuda for April. They have visited quite a number of the Caribbean Islands on trips including cruises, enjoying Puerto Rico, Martinique, St. Thomas and Grenada, to name but a few of their interesting holidays.

He also plans to devote more time to his garden at his home at 1249 North Augusta road, beyond the Second Concession. He has always enjoyed flowers and for a period he looked after the lovely garden at the cottage property of the late Mrs. J. S. (May) McArthur at 63 Hartley street.

Word got out that he is retiring at the end of the year. and all week long friends have been wishing him well in his well-earned retirement, but regretting the fact that his cheery presence will be gone from his familiar spot at the



Tom Walker in familiar pose at Brockville Post Office.





- R.+ T. photo

THOMAS LOW WALKER

Tom Walker was born in Scotland, August 19, 1912, and came to Canada as a young lad. He was employed on the farm of Ivan Lane, Maynard for a number of years, then at Phillips Electric in Brockville.

He enlisted at Ottawa, January 11, 1941, and trained for wireless operator air gunner (air crew) at Guelph and Fingal, Ontario, and graduated in May as an air gunner. There he received his "wings". He left Canada for overseas on June 1, 1942, and arrived in the United Kingdom June 11th. There he did 5 months operational training prior to being posted to #419 R. C. A. F. Bomber Squadron, which used 4-engine Halifax bombers. While with this unit, he made 15 operational raids over Germany to Berlin, Hamburg, Duisburg, Essen, Wuppertal, Dusseldorf and St. Nazaire, France. An appendectomy interrupted this tour, and while he was in hospital his crew was "presumed lost" on a raid over Essen.

In August 1943, Tom was posted to the R. A. F. Ferry Command, India, where Maintenance he was stationed at Allahahbad. He made flights to such places as Madras, Calcutta, New Delhi, Poona, Karachi, Lucknow, Rawlpindi, Jodpur, to Burma and to Ceylon. Flying mail and passengers and new aircraft to squadrons in Burma were their chief duties. Aircraft used were Vengeance Dive Bombers, Dakotas and Liberators. He was returned to England, July 1945, and back in Canada to be discharged a month later.

Tom was awarded the 1939-45 Star and clasp, Aircrew European Star, Burma Star, Defence Medal and C.V.S.M. and clasp. While in England he met and married Miss Jean Elsie Storey at Stratford-on-Avon on April 21, 1943. Shortly after that, he left for India. Joan was his nurse while in hospital. She came to Canada in the Spring following Tom's return.

On his return, Tom secured employment as a postman in Brockville, and Joan at local hospital. They are parents of 2 son 5 John Malcolm, a daughter, Susan Joan. A son, Robert Duncan died in infancy. They make their home on North Augusta Road, Brockville.

and son Douglas

- from Tom Walker

Tom d. Feb. 1.1994

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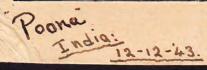
Buried Maynard Cemetery #87





Tom Walker & Bill Fretwell in Britain









LORNE BUKER

Lorne, only son of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Buker (nee Cornelia Perrin) enlisted in the Army at Cornwall, January 15, 1942, with the Royal Canadian Ordnance Corps. His parents, father and step-mother lived on the Concession 3, near Keeler's Corner.

He took basic training at Cornwall, advanced training at Kingston, a carpentry course in Hamilton, and a driving course at Barriefield. April 6, 1943, Lorne went overseas, landing at Liverpool. He was posted to Borden for more training, including further driving, and then to No. 1, Static Base Laundry in Borden. Here he spent 2 years as laundry storeman, doing laundry for the military hospital.

Lorne was repatriated January 5, 1946, and discharged at Kingston with the rank of lance-corporal. He returned to Brockville to make his home there with his wife, the former Helen Bullied, and family of 2 sons and a daughter - Brian, Michael and Cheryl Jean.

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- from Lorne Buker.

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Reunion stirs war's memories Governor General's Foot Guards holding

By MARK CALDER

Staff Writer

PRESCOTT — The print hanging in Les Dunn's living room tells the story of an age long past but still alive in the mind of the 72-year-old Fort Towner.

It shows the brownish silhouette of a Sherman tank, flames leaping from the turret as its tracks struggle through a brownish-black quagmire.

"That's what it was like," says the Prescott resident. "Mud everywhere. "And the Shermans, when they got hit they'd catch fire pretty quick."

It wasn't that long ago when the retired handyman and plant worker witnessed such scenes first-hand, as a member of the Governor General's Foot Guards (GGFG) helping liberate Europe in 1944.

Many of those memories will gain new life this weekend, as members of the Ottawa-based reserve unit famous for its Changing of the Guard ceremony, descend on Brockville for their 46th annual reunion.

For Dunn, the driver of a Sherman tank, memories of that struggle are brought back by names such as Caen, Hill 195, The Maas and the Siegfried Line.

There will be no decorations on Dunn's chest. However, the veteran did manage to claim the one honor most prized by a combat soldier — to return home in one piece.

"There were many who were better soldiers than me," he says. "I was just a tiny cog in a very large wheel. I did my job and the only ground I really cared about was the two square feet under me."

The Prescott native arrived on the shores of France, July 24, 1944. Along with about 600 other Guards, their 60 Sherman tanks, six anti-aircraft tanks and a dozen reconnaissance tanks, the 24-year-old landed with the fourth Canadian Armored Brigade at Juno Beach, two miles south of Courseuillessur-Mer.

After training for five years in Canada and the English countryside, the games were over. There were no longer referees with bags of flower to score "direct hits." And as the unit set out from the Normandy bridgehead to the city of Caen 15 miles east, the reality of war crept in.

MECHANICAL GRAVEYARD

As they approached the outskirts, they witnessed the sobering vision of a mechanical graveyard. Nearly 100 tanks from the British Armored Division lay abandoned before them, blown apart or blackened by fire.

"It was hard to believe they could knock out so many of us at once," Dunn recalls. "It suddenly made you realize it wasn't going to be a case of running over the countryside, and crashing through everything."

There were more sobering days to come, as they battled through August for Hill 195 and then on to Falaise, as members of the fanatical Hitler Youth and SS Panzer divisions bitterly contested every foot.

It was during these first few weeks that the regiment lost more than half its tanks, although pneumonia temporarily removed Dunn half-way though the drive. Memories of smoldering rubber, tanks afire, and the stench of death creep into his mind.

He talks of seeing the charred body of a German officer halfemerged from the turret of a Mark IV tank, shot while desperately trying to escape the flames.

He also speaks with a begrudging respect for the enemy, whom he said were as efficient at defence as they had been years earlier on the attack.

Battling that efficiency during the 11-month campaign from France, into Holland, Belgium and then Germany cost the regiment 105 men and 138 tanks.

"You hated them but at the same time you had to respect them," he says. "They were disciplined and they knew how to handle their equipment.

"I often shudder to think what would have happened if they had had as much of an airforce as we did in those days because they certainly had us outgunned."

ODD MOMENTS

And there were the other odd moments, says Dunn, such as 2 how the enemy seemed to know so much about where they were heading before even they did.

He remembers that German propagandist Lord Ha Ha had correctly predicted where their unit would attack a position in France

"They told us that the Hitler Youth and the SS would be there to meet us and, by God, they were." he said.

But even during grim times, Dunn says there the camaraderie kept spirits high.

"It was just the little incidents that happened completely different from the war which kept you going," he reflects. "Some of them weren't really funny at the time, but years after they come to mind."

"I had one co-driver the first afternoon of fighting who started yelling that he'd been hit... then he started pawing around and 'c realized it was only two or three wasps under his shirt," he said laughing.

He also chuckles about the New Year's Eve of January 1945 g while the unit was in Belgium south of the Maas River.

Officers had heard whispers of an imminent counter-attack by German paratroopers to cut off Allied supplies and allow their forces to retreat.

As officers sat on tenterhooks, still-anonymous members of the Guards sent up flares to celebrate the New Year, sending officers into a panic fearing them to be guiding flares for the paratrooper attack.

BACK FOR REUNION

It is memories such as these which will live this weekend as Dunn returns to the reunion for the 41st time since the end of the war.

About 150 Guards will begin arriving in the city Friday night, including officers from both the Korean War and the Second World War.

Planned events include a wine and cheese party Friday night.

for Les Dunn parade in city Sunday



MARK CALDER/THE RECORDER AND TIMES

Guardsmen Les Dunn of Prescott reviews an old scrap book containing memories from the Second World War.

and a dinner dance at the Brockville Legion Hall Saturday. The Ceremonial Guard will be in the city Sunday, for a parade at 1:30 p.m. and wreath-laying ceremony at the Cenotaph.

R.J. September 1992



ALVIN E. SAUNDERS

Alvin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Saunders, at the time of enl memorial service will be held employed by Newell Mfg. Co. Prescott, and lived at Brundage's ment Hillcrest Cemetery, enlisted February 17, 1941 in Ottawa, with 4th Reconnaissance Smiths Falls. In memoriams to Louise Dragoon Guards, and took basic training at Farnham, Quithe Canadian Cancer Society, awaiting overseas draft at St. Jerome, Alvin was chosen to tal or the St. Vincent de Paul Hosphysical Training at Long Branch, Ontario. That included boxiedged by the family. wrestling, anatomy, sports, field and track work.

He sailed from Halifax on June 21 on the Sterling Castle, flagship for the convoy, and landed in Greenoch, Scotland, June 29, 1941. Advanced training was at Limpsfield Chart, Kent, and included driving vehicles, maintenance of same, and fighting from them. He received his first stripe, August 8, 1941, and, following a course in small arms and physical training, his corporal rank. During that winter, his unit guarded the south-east coast, near Worthing, and continued their training.

September 1, 1942, he was promoted to L/Sgt and was in charge of an assault troop of 38 men. In November he returned to Canada via New York on the Queen Elizabeth, and spent the winter at Dundurn, Sask. where he started an advanced Battle Drill Training School, and trained recruits for overseas duty. During this time an injury to his knee, received in drill in England became serious, his category was lowered, and discharge recommended. Since he was about to receive commission and return overseas, this was disappointing news, so Alvin asked for transfer to Ottawa. There he instructed in basic training at Lansdowne Park until that closed in September 1943.

Canadian Signal Training Centre at Vimy, near Kingston Ontario, was his next posting, there he helped start the Basic Training Centre, and remained there until discharged in September 1945. March 18, 1944, staff sergeant Confirmed rank of Sergeant-Sept. 17, 1943 July 13, 1945, Company Sergeant major in charge of all Basic Instructional staff.

> - researched for T.H.B. by Goldie A. Connell

At the St. Vincent de Paul Hospital, Brockville on Monday April 29th, 1996. Margaret Scobie age 81 of Athens. Beloved wife of the late Patrick Quinn. Also survived by her first husband Alvin Saunders. Dear mother of Virginia Saunders (Wayne) of Prescott, Emerson Saunders (Norma) of Cardinal, Raymond Saunders (Joanne) of Toronto, Sylvia Ellis (Barry) of Pulaski, New York, Patrick Quinn of Winnipeg and Gerald Quinn of Athens. Sadly missed by 23 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren. Predeceased by a daughter Heather Rogers and one grandchild John Kent Lough. Also predeceased by three brothers and five sisters, Bruce, Wesley and George Scobie, Isabel Scobie, May Derby, Gertie Curry, Hazel Hewens, and Lillian Gilbo.

Friends may call at the Judson Funeral Home, Athens, on Thursday May 2nd, from 10 am to 11 am. A GEORGE TRAVIS, oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Travis (Mary Fretwell), Concession 4, Maynard, was an attendant at St. Lawrence State Hospital, Ogdensburg, enlisted in the Transport Service of United States Army. He was stationed with the New York Port of Embarkation at Brooklyn, N. Y. and made the trip to North Äfrica with the American invasion force. Because of military regulations, he was unable at the time to give any details of his thrilling experiences in the huge convoy which staged the historic surprise landing in Africa.

George was born in Maynard, and obtained his early education in local schools. On his return from service, he was employed in Ogdensburg, and is now (1981) retired, and living with his wife in Port Richey, Florida.

Given Soldier's Medal. - Staff Sergeant George P. Travis, son of Patrick Travis, of Prescott, has been awarded the Soldier's Medal for heroism while serving aboard United States transport as a member of a detachment of the medical corps. No details of the incident have been released, the presentation of the medal having been made recently at the Brooklyn army base. Formerly employed at the St. Lawrence State hospital at Ogden burg, Sergt. Travis has visited nearly every major Atlantic and Mediterranean port open to Allied ships and has made trips to Africa, Sicily, Italy, England, Scotland, South Africa and West Africa. He estimates that he has travelled nearly 80,000 miles.

MAJOR CHARLES A. MYERS RCAMC, son of Mr. Andrew Myers and the late Mrs. Myers, has returned to Canada after having served overseas in the United Kingdom, Central Mediterranean Forces, and North Western Europe with the 1st and 3rd Canadian Infantry Divisions and the 1st Canadian Armoured Brigade.

After enlisting in 1940, he went overseas in 1941, thence to North Africa and Italy in 1943 and to Northwestern Europe in March of 1945.

THESE MEN VOLUNTEERED FOR ACTIVE SERVICE, BUT WERE NOT POSTED OVERSEAS

STERLING LEROY SPICER

JAMES HENRY GILCHRIST

WILBERT BARTON

LLOYD WILLIAM DURANT

HOWARD JOHNSTON

MORLEY FRANKLIN BALL

CECIL MOORE

FLOYD JOHN FRETWELL

RICHARD BYERS

RALPH NEWANS

BRUCE CONNELL

JOHN MYERS

CECIL ROBINSON

RICHARD JOHNSTON