

BRUCE ROBERT CONNELL

Bruce, only son of Gordon Connell and his wife, the former Florence Caldwell, was born in Spencerville on the family farm. He moved with his parents to Port Colborne, Ontario, and received his elementary schooling there. When they came to live in Maynard, Con. 4, lot 16, he attended Prescott High School.

At the time of his enlistment, he was employed as a salesman, and living in Brockville with his wife, the former Goldie Perrin. Assigned to the Hastings and Prince Edward Regiment, he took his early training in Picton and Peterborough.

In April 1943 he was discharged from service because of medical reasons, having spent the winter crippled and hospitalized part of the time with arthritis. On his return, he was required to work in the war industry, and trained as a welder in Belleville. He was then employed in the Dominion Lighthouse Depot, Prescott, where certain items required by the war machine were being manufactured.

Mrs. Connell returned to teaching school, there being a great shortage of teachers since many of them had gone into active war service. They lived in Prescott until they purchased a home in Maynard, Lot 10, Con. 3, and settled there.

Bruce employed by Kingston & Salmon Ltd. for 25 years. Then set up his own company, maynard Mechanical, which he operated until full retirement 1987.