

BROWN, VINCENT EGBERT



Toronto Star

EARLY LIFE

Nov 11, 1889

Born in Schomberg, Ontario to Joseph "Josiah" and Priscilla (Coulter) Brown. He is the older brother of **Harold Brown** and **Stanley Brown**.

1891 Census

Age 2

Lived in King, Ontario with Josiah Brown (head of house – father, age 36), Priscilla Brown (mother, age 28), Mary Brown (sister, age 7) and William Brown (brother, age 5).

1901 Census

Age 12

Lived in King, Ontario with Josiah Brown (head of house – father, age 47), Priscilla Brown (mother, age 38), Mary Brown (sister, age 17), Willie Brown (brother, age 15), Ethel Brown (sister, age 9), Stanley Brown (brother, age 7), Harold Joseph (brother, age 5), Myrtle Brown (sister, age 3) and Gladys Brown (sister, age 1).

MILITARY SERVICE

Aug 7, 1915

Attested into the 84th Battalion, Canadian Over-seas Expeditionary Force

**Attestation
Paper**

- **Number:** 163295
- **Present address:** Herbert, Saskatchewan
- **Next of kin given:** Joseph Brown (Father) in Schomberg, Ontario
- **Trade or calling:** Tea Master
- **Married:** No
- **Previous military experience:** No
- **Religion:** Church of England
- **Physical attributes:**
 - **Age:** 26 years, 10 months
 - **Height:** 5'5"
 - **Complexion:** Dark
 - **Eyes:** Brown
 - **Hair:** Dark

Jul 7, 1916

Age 26

Transferred from the 84th Battalion to the 75th Battalion.

Jun 8, 1919

Age 29

Private Vincent Egbert Brown was discharged because of demobilization. His proposed residence after discharge was Schomberg, Ontario.

AFTER THE WAR

Nov 4, 1950

Age 60

Vincent Brown died and he is buried at Veterans' Plot, Pine Hills Cemetery in Scarborough, Ontario.

MENTIONED IN SCHOMBERG AND ITS SCHOOL

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When the great European War broke as a bolt from the blue, in 1914, many of the young men in and around Schomberg signed up and went overseas to take part in maintaining the principle upheld by the allied nations of the world. Many of these returned but many made the supreme sacrifice.

As a memorial to these unreturning brave, a monument was erected in the Agricultural Grounds. On this monument are engraved the following names:

LIEUTENANT JACK SYDIE
SGT.-MAJOR CHARLES E. WOODROOF
LANCE-CORPORAL JAMES A. RALSTON
LANCE-CORPORAL EWART WICKENS
PRIVATE HAROLD JOS. BROWN
PRIVATE MAXWELL DOYLE
PRIVATE WILLIAM JOS. DOYLE
PRIVATE WILFRED LAURIER DOYLE
PRIVATE EDWARD DOUGLAS

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MRS. PRISCILLA BROWN, wife of the late Josiah Brown, one of the younger children of John R. Brown, lives on the north-west corner of lot 32, concession 8, King, almost directly opposite to the school.

Mrs. Brown was married to Mr. Brown in March, 1883. Previous to that time, her name was Priscilla Coulter, a daughter of William Coulter, who lived west of Laskay. Mr. and Mrs. Brown farmed the first five years of their married life on lot 32, concession 8, King. Then Mr. Brown built a house on the corner of the farm, sold the rest of the farm and began a barber business in the village. At his death, in 1922, his oldest son, William, took over the business, and since that time has looked after the home.

The family are as follows: Mrs. Leonard Hill (Mary), William, Vincent, Mrs. Austin (Ethel), Stanley, Harold, Mrs. Monkman (Myrtle), Gladys, Verna and Byron.

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Stanley, Vincent and Harold served overseas in the Great War (1914-1918), Harold making the supreme sacrifice at the Somme in 1916.

IN THE NEWS

Brother Harold Brown's Death Announcement

The Toronto Star

Tuesday, November 14, 1916 pg. 9

PTE. H. J. BROWN KILLED.

According to official word received by his father, Mr. Joseph Brown of Schomberg, Ont., Pte. Harold J. Brown was killed in action on September 28. Pte. Brown, who was 19 years old, enlisted with the 74th Battalion. He went overseas in March and went into the trenches in June with the C.M.R. Two of his brothers



Pte. H. J. Brown. Pte. V. E. Brown.

are on active service, V. E. Brown being now in the trenches with a draft of reinforcements furnished by the 54th Battalion to a Toronto regiment. The other brother, Stanley, enlisted with the 209th Battalion at Swift Current.

Obituary

The Toronto Star

Saturday, November 4, 1950 pg. 33

BROWN, Vincent Egbert (Pte. 75th Battalion, Rec. No. 163295)—At the Divadale Convalescent hospital on Saturday, Nov. 4, 1950. Vincent Egbert Brown, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Brown of Schomberg, Ont. Resting at the Trull funeral home, 1111 Danforth Ave. Service Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Interment Veterans' Plot, Pine Hills cemetery.