COURTNEY, THOMAS HENRY



EARLY LIFE

Sep 3, 1895

Born in Renfrew, Ontario to William and Rebecca (McCabe) Courtney.

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Age 5

Lived in Tecumseth, Ontario with William Courtney (head of house – father, age 46), John Courtney (brother, age 17), Elizabeth Courtney (sister, age 15), Ellen Courtney (sister, age 12), William Courtney (brother, age 2) Charles Courtney (grandfather, age 89), Patience Courtney (grandmother, age 75) and Ebenezer Palmer (servant, age 21).

1911 Census

Age 15

Lived in Lloydtown, Ontario with William Courtney (head of house – father, age 66), Catherine Courtney (step-mother, age 34), Ralph Courtney (brother, age 13), Frederic Courtney (half-brother, age 4) and Beatrice Courtney (half-sister, 4 months).

MILITARY SERVICE

Sep 9, 1915

Attestation Paper

Attested to the 92nd Over-seas Battalion (Highlanders) Canadian Overs-seas Expeditionary Force

Number: 193426

Present address: Schomberg, Ontario

Next of kin given: William Courtney (Father) in Schomberg, Ontario

Trade or calling: Farmer

– Married: No

Previous military experience: No

Religion: Church of England

Physical attributes:

Age: 20 yearsHeight: 5'6 ½"Complexion: Fair

Eyes: Grey

Hair: Dark Brown

Distinctive marks: 12 varied scars on right shoulder from dynamite explosion

Apr 10, 1917

Age 5

Gunshot wound in his left hand from Vimy Ridge. He was in the hospital for 111 days.

Nov 6, 1918

Age 23

Private Thomas Courtney was discharged because he was deemed medically unfit. As a result of his gunshot wound in his left hand, he had impaired use of his left hand because he had lost his fore and middle finger and the stump was painful in cold weather. It occasionally would become swollen and turn blue. He served for a total of 3 years and 58 days.

AFTER THE WAR

1921 Census

Age 25

Apr 5, 1976

Thomas died.

Lived in King, Ontario with Georgina Courtney (wife, age 22 – although there is no date of when they were married) and Palmer Monkman (labourer, age 26).

IN THE NEWS

Injury Announcement

Toronto Star Friday, April 27, 1917 pg. 4

PTE. COUTNEY WOUNDED.

Pte. T. H. Coutney, of Schomberg



Ont., is officially reported wouded. He enlisted in 1915 with a local Highland battalion. and went France with this battalion. next of kin-reside in Schomberg. He had been at the front about six months.

Ptc. T. Coutney.