

ELMER, THOMAS EDWARD ERNEST

EARLY LIFE

May 22, 1896

Born in Schomberg, Ontario to Edward and Rebecca (Wellar) Elmer. He was the older brother of *Wilbert Walter Wellar Elmer*.

1901 Census

Age 5

Lived in King, Ontario with Edward Elmer (head of house – father, age 37) and Alice Abbot (lodger, age 20). Thomas Elmer's mother Rebecca had died in 1899.

1911 Census

Age 15

At age 15, Thomas Elmer lived in King, Ontario with Robert Elmer (head of house – uncle, age 37), Sarah Elmer (aunt, age 31), Mary Elmer (cousin, age 3), Sarah Elmer (cousin, age 1) and Hannah Elmer (aunt, age 46).

MILITARY SERVICE

May 23, 1918

Drafted under Military Service Act, 1917, 2nd Depot Battalion, 1st Central Ontario Regiment

**Attestation
Paper**

- **Number:** 3235345
- **Next of kin given:** Robert Elmer (Uncle) in Schomberg, Ontario
- **Trade or calling:** Farmer
- **Married:** No
- **Previous military experience:** No
- **Religion:** Methodist
- **Physical attributes:**
 - **Age:** 22 years
 - **Height:** 5'11"
 - **Complexion:** Medium
 - **Eyes:** Blue
 - **Hair:** Black

Sep 30, 1918

Age 22

Transferred from 2nd Depot Battalion, 1st Canadian Over-seas Regiment to 1st Depot Battalion, 1st Canadian Over-seas Regiment.

Jan 9, 1919

Age 22

Private Thomas Elmer was discharged because of demobilization. He was never sent overseas.

AFTER THE WAR

Mar 30, 1920

Age 22

Married Hazel Caroline Hudson, daughter of George and Amelia (Weller) Hudson of Simcoe, Ontario. They had 5 children: Edward, Stanley, Noreen, John and Lenore Elmer.

1921 Census

Age 25

Worked as a farmer and lived in Tecumseth, Ontario with Hazel Elmer (wife, age 22) and Roy Gould (labourer, age 24).

Jul 25, 1948

Age 52

Thomas died in Tecumseth, Ontario. He is buried at Mount Tegart Cemetery in Tecumseth, Ontario. His wife Hazel Elmer died November 28, 1948.

MENTIONED IN NOBLETON TWEEDSMUIR HISTORY

Women's Institute – Nobleton: Book 3 – Wellar Family

Seneca's fourth son, Lorenza, and wife, Jane Brown, had two children, Rebecca Jane and Seneca. Rebecca married Ned Elmer; their daughter, Pearl, married William Edwards of Schomberg and are well known in the Nobleton area. Pearl had two brothers, Ernie and Wilbert. Ernie married Hazel Hudson and have five children. They reside in the Barrie area. Wilbert died at age 20.

IN THE NEWS

Obituary

The Globe and Mail

Monday, July 26, 1948, pg. 22

ELMER, Ernest—At his home, Tottenham, on Sunday, July 25, 1948, Ernest Elmer, beloved husband of Hazel Hudson, in his 53rd year, dear father of Edward (Ted), Stanley, Noreen, John and Lenore. Resting at his late residence. Funeral service Tuesday at 2:30 p.m. DST. Interment Mt. Tegart Cemetery.