



**Arthur John Hoyles Earle**

**Canadian Engineers**

**Canadian Expeditionary Force**

**Service # 2011909**

**World War I**

**Born:** 09 Jul 1880

**Place of Birth:** Bay Roberts, Newfoundland

**Parents:** William Charles and Rose (Green Pack)  
Earle

Arthur enlisted in the Canadian Engineer Regiment of the Canadian Expeditionary Force (CEF) on the 07 Aug 1917 at the Q.C. Engineers Recruiting Depot in Toronto. At the time, he gave his birthdate as being 09 Jul 1883 and that is what appears on his enlistment documents. In actual fact, according to vital statistics in Newfoundland, Arthur was born on 09 Jul 1880, making him thirty-seven (37) at the time and not thirty-four (34) as noted in his papers.

His initial enlistment papers paint a picture of this rather older recruit. He is working as a bank clerk, is single, is of 5' 5 ¼" in height with medium hair and blue eyes. He is Anglican by religion and weighs 140 lbs. The address provided is from his residence in Toronto, Ontario.

Arthur's military record lasts one year, dating from 07 Aug 1918 to 07 Aug 1919. It contains these entries:

1. 13 – Aug – 1918: Transferred to E.D. Brockville, Ontario
2. 29 – Sep – 1918: Proceeded overseas, draft No. 172, Embarked, Quebec
3. 12 – Oct – 1918: Arrived Devonport, England
4. 01 – Jul – 1919: SOS (struck off strength D2 (District 2))
5. 02 – Jul – 1919: TOS (taken on strength D5 (District 5))
6. 07 – Jul – 1919: SOS to Canada
7. 05 – Jul – 1919: Embarked RMS Carmania, Liverpool
8. 15 – Jul – 1919: Discharged from HMS No. 2 District Depot.



**RMS Carmania**

*RMS Carmania was a Cunard Line transatlantic steam turbine ocean liner. She was launched in 1905 and scrapped in 1932. In World War I she was first an armed merchant cruiser (AMC) and then a troop ship.*

Following his discharge from military service, Arthur stayed and worked in the Toronto area. He married Elizabeth Beulah May Golds, born in Wellington, Ontario in 1893. Together they had one child, a girl they called Marguerite born in 1920.

Arthur passed away in 1953 at the age of 73, while Beulah died in 1998. Their daughter, Marguerite passed in 1998.

They are all buried in the St. John Norway Cemetery and Crematorium at the Beaches in Toronto, Ontario.