



Bernard Fitzpatrick

Canadian Expeditionary Force

Regimental No. 4050983

World War I

Born: 01 Jan 1897

Died: 24 Sep 1944

Place of Birth: Bay Roberts, Newfoundland

Parents: Patrick and Margaret Fitzpatrick

Bernard was supposed to have enlisted on 11 November 1917 (which is when his service officially reckons from) but did not Attest (enlist) until 26 August 1918 and was considered a defaulter. He was arrested for non-compliance with his conscription notice.

In any event, he did enlist on 26 August 1918 at Aldershot, NS. His attestation papers provide the following information about him. Bernard stood 5' 9 ¾ "inches tall, was of fair complexion with dark brown hair and brown eyes. He weighed 158 ½ lbs, was Roman Catholic by faith and could not write as he indicated his signature with his mark "X".

His service record has only two entries.

1. 11 – 11 – 17: TOS (taken on strength)
2. 28 – 08 – 18: SOS (struck off strength) to enlist in the Royal Newfoundland Regiment.

Note: There is no record indicating that he joined the Royal Newfoundland Regiment.

The 1921 Newfoundland general census has Bernard, now 24, living at home in Bay Roberts with parents, Patrick and Margaret.

The 1935 census finds him still in Bay Roberts but now he has a wife, entered as Kitty. Her proper name is Katherine and she is originally from St. Mary's, Newfoundland.

The next census of 1945 lists Katherine at 43 and a widow. Bernard died at 46 years old September 24, 1944 and is buried in the All Hallows Roman Catholic Cemetery at Bay Roberts, Newfoundland.

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