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Charles Bradbury
85th Battalion Nova Scotia Highlanders
The Canadian Expeditionary Force
Regimental No. 222374
World War 1



Born: 01 September 1890

Place of Birth: Bay Roberts

Parents: Charles and Emily Bradbury

Working in Nova Scotia as a miner, Charles enlisted in the Canadian Army on 05 Oct 1915, he was 25 at the time. Originally from Bay Roberts, Newfoundland, Charles had met and married a young lady from the area by the name of Phoebe Hayward.

According to his Attestation paper, Charles was 5' 3 ½" tall, had brown hair and eyes and was Salvation Army by faith.

His attestation (enlistment) took place at Sydney, N.S. He was posted to the 85th Regiment Nova Scotia Highlanders.

His service record is rather brief in the sense that he joined the regiment on 05 Oct 1915 and was discharged 25 Jan 1916. Only four (4) months of service, two of which he spent in hospital first with the measles and then with influenza.

He was discharged as being medically unfit for military service.

Charles did not return to Newfoundland but lived, worked, died and is buried in Nova Scotia. He was married twice. His first wife was Phoebe Hayward from the area who passed away in 1940. His second wife was Rita Madore. She passed away two years after Charles (1974)

All three (3) are buried in the Lakeside Cemetery, North Sydney, Nova Scotia. The same cemetery where Charles had been caretaker for 27 years.

Charles official obituary reads:

Charles Hayward Bradbury, 84, died Sunday morning at home, 4 Manning Street, following an illness of sometime. Mr. Bradbury was caretaker of Lakeside cemetery for 27 years, retiring in 1958. He was also active in the Loyal Orange Lodge. Born in Bay Roberts, Newfoundland, he was the son of the late Mr. And Mrs. Charles Bradbury. He was twice married, he was predeceased by his first wife Phoebe 34 years ago, also a daughter Annie. A member of the Salvation Army he is survived by his second wife the former Rita Madore, six daughters; Mrs. Nellie Moraley, Ontario;

Marie (Mrs. Bill Thorton)Halifax; Shirley [Mrs. Don Taylor], Jean [Mrs. Frank C..Cudore], Helen all in Toronto, Carolyn at home; also by five sons, Harold, North Sydney; Charles and Roy in Toronto, Ronald and Donnie in North Sydney. The body is resting at Fillmore and Whitman funeral homes in North Sydney from where the funeral service will be held Wednesday at 2:00 PM. Interment at Lakeside cemetery.