

George Bernard Dunn

Royal Newfoundland Regiment

Regimental No. 5642

World War I

Born: 13 December 1893

**Died:** 04 March 1964

Place of Birth: South River, Conception

Bay, Newfoundland

**Parents:** George and Bridget (Brophy)

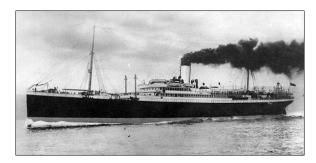
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George was actually George jr. and because he had the same first name as his father, he was called by his middle name for most of his life. For the purposes of this biography, his chosen name of Bernard will be used throughout.

Bernard enlisted in the Royal Newfoundland Regiment in June 1918. Interestingly, his official service record has him as Bernard Dunn. These papers describe him as being 5' 10", with dark brown hair and blue eyes. He is listed as 24 year's old, single, a Roman Catholic and a fisherman by trade.

His service record covers a period of one year and 34 days. Entries from that record are as follows:

- 1. 08 Jun 1918: Enlisted
- 2. 22 Jul 1918: Embarked St. John's on the SS Columbella to Halifax, Nova Scotia. Remained at Aldershot, N.S. Hospitalized with the mumps.
- 3. 29 Aug 1918: Embarked for the U.K. (United Kingdom) from Sydney, Nova Scotia
- 4. 09 Sep 1918: Arrived UK
- 5. 25 May 1919: To Newfoundland on the SS Corsican for demobilization



**SS Corsican** 

6. 01 Jun 1919: Arrived Newfoundland7. 11 Jul 1919: Demobilized/discharged

Once out of the service, Bernard is difficult to track and is not found in the 1921 Newfoundland general census, although his parents, George (71) and Bridget (66) appear in an entry and are living in South River at this time. Bernard cannot be found in this census nor subsequent ones in 1935 and 1945.

Bernard does show up in the U.S. Federal census of 1940. Now 49, he has been living in New York for some time. He is a naturalized American citizen, working as a

carpenter and owns his own home on Stuart Street in Kings, New York. He is married to Helen (Goyetch) Dunn of the Irish Free State, and they have three (3) children, James 15, John 12 and Jean 10, all born in the U.S.

Bernard passed away in 1964 in Brooklyn, Kings County, New York. Helen died four years later in 1968. They are both buried in Old Saint Raymond's Cemetery, Bronx, Bronx County, NY.

Below is a picture of Bernard and his brother James.

