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John Bradbury
World War 1
Royal Naval Reserve (Newfoundland)
Service No. 2468X

John was born to parents Joseph and Eliza Bradbury of Coley's Point on the 8th of October 1894.

John would enlist in the Royal Naval Reserve (Newfoundland) on the 24th of May 1918. This was rather late in the war and John himself was a little older than the average volunteer being 23 years old at the time. Nevertheless, John passed all the necessary examinations, found medically fit for service and assigned Service No. 2468X.

He underwent the normal training period of three weeks onboard the training vessel HMS Briton positioned on the south side of the harbour in St. Johns.

John's service record indicates that he served from July 1918 to May 1919

stationed on a ship, but the ship is not named.

John was demobilized and released from active service in October 1919.

He returned home and in 1921 appears recorded in the census as living with his parents and younger brother at Coley's Point. John married Emily in 1922.

John became ill and passed away in 1923 at the age of 29.

Here is his obituary as reported in the Bay Roberts Guardian Newspaper on Friday, February 22nd, 1924. He is buried in the Grace United Church Cemetery, Coley's Point.

*Obituary - Passed peacefully away at Coley's Point, **December 28, 1923**, after a lingering illness, **John BRADBURY**, aged 29 years, beloved husband of Emily Bradbury and son of Joseph and Eliza Bradbury. He leaves to mourn a wife, father and mother, one sister, Mrs. William Bowering of Coley's Point, three brothers, Stephen and Joseph, residing at Coley's Point, and Charles at Everett, Washington, U.S.A. Interment took place on Dec. 31st. in the Methodist Cemetery. The deceased had done service in the great World War, being a member of the Royal Navy Reserve.*