

## Malcolm Bradbury Royal Newfoundland Regiment

Regimental No. 1188

World War I

**Born:** 09 Dec 1893

Place of Birth: Bay Roberts, Newfoundland

**Parents:** Joshua and Rachel (Parsons)

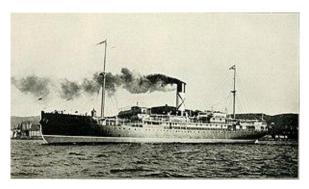
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Malcolm enlisted in what was then the 1<sup>st</sup> **Newfoundland Regiment** (as the regiment had not yet been given the Royal designation) in early March 1915. As taken from his official enlistment paper, Malcolm stood 5' 7 ½" tall, was of a fair complexion with light brown hair and eyes. He weighed 143 lbs, gave his trade as Telegraph Operator, his faith as Methodist and enlisted for the duration of the war.

The war for Malcolm would last one (1) year and a hundred eighty-nine (189) days as a devastating medical issue would have him discharged in September 1916.

Malcolm's Service Record contains the following entries by date:

1. 22-04-15: Embarked St. John's onboard the S.S. Stephano



SS Stephano

SS Stephano was a passenger liner and sealing ship, owned by Bowring Brothers and operated in their Red Cross Line of Arctic steamships. Stephano is most notable for her role in the 1914 Newfoundland Sealing Disaster, under the command of Captain Abram Kean. Stephano was the sister ship to the SS Florizel. On 20 March 1915, Stephano transported D Company of the First Newfoundland Regiment to Halifax, Nova Scotia, where they boarded the SS Orduña to Great Britain

- 2. 20 08 15: Embarked for BEF (British Expeditionary Force)
- 3. 31 08 15: Disembarked at Havre and train to Cairo.
- 4. 01 09 15: Disembarked Alexandria
- 5. 13 09 15: Embarked for Gallipoli
- 6. 24 12 15: Admitted to CGS with frostbite and trench foot.
- 7. 29 12 15: To hospital in Malta
- 8. 20 02 16: Invalided to England on the hospital ship Panama
- 9. 29 02 16: Admitted to Wandsworth Hospital

- 10.02 03 16: Attached to E Company Depot
- 11. 20 07 16: To Newfoundland for discharge
- 12.05 08 16: Arrived Newfoundland
- 13. 12 09 16: Discharged "Medically unfit"

Following his discharge, Malcolm went home to live with his parents. He was in very poor health and his health continued to deteriorate to the point where on February 19, 1918, he succumbed to his injuries and passed away. He is buried in the Old United Church Cemetery, Bay Roberts. He was just 25 at the time of his death.

Below is a copy of his obituary

BRADBURY, MALCOLM Private 1188 18/02/1918 25 Royal Newfoundland Regiment BAY ROBERTS UNITED CHURCH CEMETERY

-Private Malcolm Bradbury son of Mr. Joshua Bradbury died on Monday last at his father's residence, Bay Roberts, after a long illuess. The deceased enlisted early in the war, and was at Gallipoli, where he was badly frostbitten. He was invalided home, and for the past six months or so suffered patiently the fell disease that was the outcome of his hardships on the Peninsula He was 27 years of age, and during his short term of life won the esteem and respect of all those who knew him. The funeral was to have taken place on Wednesday, but owing to the storm it was deferred till yesterday. A squad of fifteen soldiers of the Regiment from St John's under Sergt. Hennebury attended, one of the number being Corporal Newbury who was badly wounded in France on the 1st of July, 1016. The body of the brave soldier was laid to rest in the Methodist Cemetery, in the presence of a large number of sympathetic soldiers' friends, the regular

burial bonors being given by the squad—there to await the final call to arms. The sympathy of the community goes out to Mr. Bradbury and his family in the death of their brave and patriotic son.—Com.