



Maxwell Andrews

Royal Naval Reserve (Newfoundland)

Service No. 1311X

World War I

Born: 08 November 1896

Place of Birth: Ship Cove, Port de Grave, Newfoundland

Parents: Roberts and Mary Andrews

Like many young men of the day, Maxwell travelled to St. John's for the sole purpose of enlisting in the war effort. The date was the 5th of November 1914. He attested that day and according to his official papers was nineteen (19), single, stood 5' 8" and had light hair with blue eyes.

His official Royal Navy Record reads as follows by date and location:

1. 05 Nov 1914 – 18 Nov 1914: Training period on the HMS Calypso in St. John's harbour
2. 19 Nov 1914 – 11 Dec 1916: HMS Virginian



HMS VIRGINIAN – December 1914 to November 1918, Northern Patrol (10th Cruiser Squadron), North Atlantic convoys

3. 12 Dec 1916 – 24 May 1917: HMS Pembroke 1
4. 25 May 1917 – 14 Jun 1917: HMS Briton
5. 15 Jun 1917 – 29 Jul 1917: HMS Caesar
6. 30 Jul 1917 – 30 Sep 1917: HMS Eileen
7. 01 Oct 1917 – 31 Dec 1917: Navy shipyard Trinidad
8. 01 Jan 1918 – 25 Dec 1918: HMS Eileen (Lady Hay)
LADY HAY, minesweeper, ex-civilian. Built 1900, 75grt. Armed with 1-6pdr. In service 5.3.17-c21.2.19 in West Indies, based at Barbados.
9. 26 De 1918 – 03 Apr 1919: HMS Briton
10. 03 Apr 1919: Demobilized

Maxwell is found in the 1921 Newfoundland general census. He is living in Ship Cove, Port de Grave and is married to Flora Richards. They are both 24 years old.

Sometime after the 1921 census, Maxwell and Flora moved to United States and settled in New York. The 1940 U.S. Federal census entry finds them living in King's, New York. Maxwell now 43 is a naturalized American citizen as is Flora. Together they have a family of four (4), Freeman 18 born in Newfoundland, Clayton 16 born in 1926 in Pennsylvania, Marie 7 and Douglas 4, both born in New York.

Maxwell is working as a paper handler , while Flora is a fulltime homemaker. Since sixteen year old Clayton was born in 1926 in Pennsylvania, the Andrews have been living in the United States for at least 14-15 years by the time of the 1940 census.

Flora passed away on June 12th, 1960, and is buried in the Ocean View Cemetery at Oakwood, Richmond County (Staten Island, New York.

There is no physical documentation as to when Maxwell died but it presumed that passed away in the New York area as well.