

## Walter Lamont Stewart Pritchard Canadian Regiment Royal Artillery World War II

**Born:** 28 Mar 1913

**Died:** 08 Nov 1991

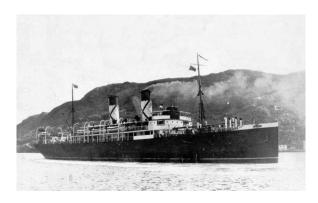
Place of Birth: Bay Roberts, Newfoundland

**Parents:** Lionel and Muriel (nee Smith)

Pritchard

Walter was the son of long-time area doctor Lionel Pritchard who lived and served in Bay Roberts for years. Born in 1913, Walter was the second child born to the Pritchard's. Hope was an older sister born in 1911. Both children were born in Bay Roberts.

The 1921 Newfoundland general census lists Lionel at 41, wife Muriel at 37 and Hope and Walter 10 and 8, respectively. On March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1934, there is a listing of Walter departing St. John, New Brunswick on board the SS Silvia and arriving at port in New York. He is 21 at this time.



SS Silvia

At the time of the next census in 1935, Walter, now 22 is living in Curling on Newfoundland's West Coast in the Humber area and boarding at the home of George and Serena Bailey. He is employed as a bank clerk.

November 1939 finds him on a ship to North Sydney, Nova Scotia. Then on July 11, 1941, he married Zelma Sanforetta Tyndale at a ceremony in Winnipeg, Manitoba. Zelma is a teacher.

U.S. boarder crossing records show Walter, Zelma and Father Lionel arriving in Sweet Grass, Montanna on March 12<sup>th</sup>, 1942.

Walter's official service record is not available, as it has not been released to the general public for viewing as yet. All that is known is that he served with the Canadian Regiment Artillery. Dates cannot be verified at this time.

1972 finds the couple living in North Vancouver. Walter is working as a salesman and Zelma is teaching. They have two children, both girls, Penney, and Pat.

Walter died in 1991 after a stay in Lions Gate Hospital, Vancouver. Cause of death is listed as hypostatic pneumonia and longtime Alzheimer's. He was 79. Zelma passed in 2002. Both were cremated.