



Wilfred Tucker

World War II

Royal Naval Reserve (Newfoundland)

Service No. 216834

Born: September 1909

Place of Birth: Port de Grave,
Newfoundland

Parents: Frederick and Emily Tucker

Since service records for World War II Service men and women have not as yet been made available to the general public, there is little official documentation to use to write a fitting tribute/biography for Wilfred.

The sole intention here is to acknowledge his service and pay respect to him for that service. What follows is what is currently available and will be revised/re-edited when more information is forth coming.

Wilfred did service with the Royal Naval Reserve (Newfoundland) and was part of the 10th contingent which shipped to Great Britain in August 1940. That being the case, it is safe to assume that Wilfred enlisted early in the war effort, 1939 or early 1940. He would have been in his thirties (30's) at this time. Upon arrival in Britain, he was attached to the Royal Navy until the end of the war.

It is possible to track Wilfred via the general census taken in 1921, 1935 and 1945.

The 1921 Newfoundland General census shows Wilfred living at home in Port de Grave with his parents. The household consists of Grandfather Charles (77) who is a widower, his sister Annie L (13) and himself (12).

The 1935 version of the census provides the following information: Frederick (51), Emily (50) and children Wilfred (25) and Lily (27) still living in Port de Grave.

Sometime prior to Wilfred enlisting, the family moved to the community of "The Loop" Bell Island. This was probably between 1935 – 1939. Wilfred actually gave his place of residence as Bell Island upon enlisting.

The 1945 census shows Wilfred now 36 and single living with his parents Frederick and Emily on Bell Island. He is still single at this time.

Wilfred passed away in 1973. He is buried in St. Luke's Anglican Cemetery at Port de Grave.