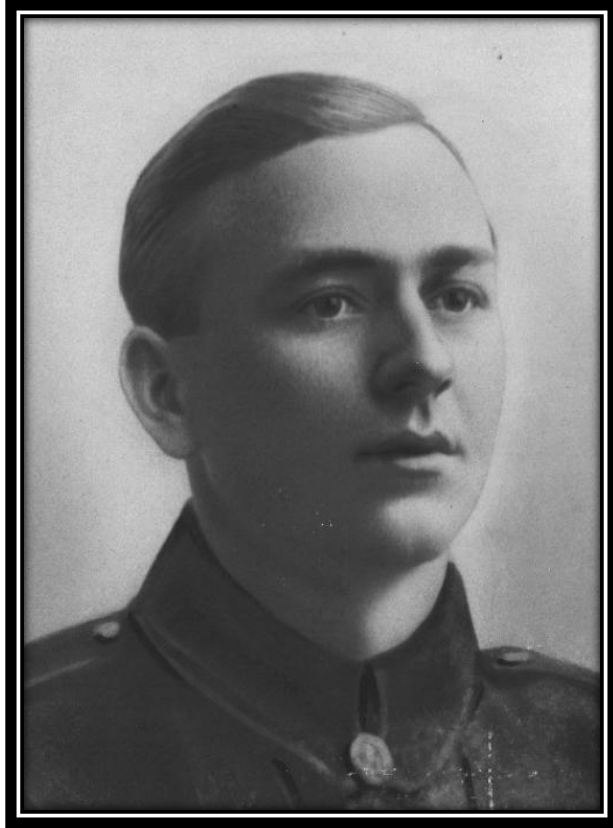




William Hayward Norman
First (Royal) Newfoundland
Regiment
Regimental No. 2046
World War I

Born: 14 Jul 1894

Died: 23 Apr 1917

Place of Birth: Bay Roberts,
 Newfoundland

Parents: Henry and Ellen Rebecca (nee
 Cave) Norman

William Hayward Norman was born
 July 1894, in Bay Roberts to parents
 Henry and Ellen Norman.

William grew up to be a bank clerk, but
 the outbreak of WW I would change his

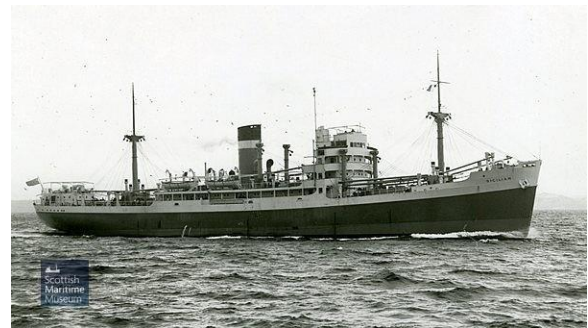
life in a way that he could not have
 imagined. At age of twenty-one (21), he
 joined the 1st Newfoundland Regiment;
 he was given the service number 2046.
 William enlisted in the 1st
 Newfoundland Regiment on December
 28, 1915.

According to his service papers, William
 stood 5 ft. 5 1/2' tall, weighed 126 lbs. He
 gave his faith as Church of England and
 single but had a son named Henry, after
 his father.

As was the case with many of the WW I
 soldiers from Newfoundland, William
 arranged to have money from his service
 pay to go to a family member at home.
 Usually this was the mother or father
 but in William's case, he had an
 allotment paid to his brother Lewis. A
 March 22nd, 1916, notation provides that
 Lewis would get 70 cents per diem from
 William.

His service record reads as follows:

1. 23 - Mar 1916: Embarked St.
 John's on the SS Sicilian



WW I SS Sicilian

2. 9 - Jul - 1916: Embarked
 Southampton for BEF (British
 Expeditionary Force)
3. 10 - Jul -1916: Disembarked
 Rouen, France
4. 21 - Jul - 1916: Joined Battalion
5. 23 - Apr - 1917: KIA (Killed in
 Action)

Pte. Norman was killed 23rd of April in 1917, close to the Les Fosses Farm near Monchy-Le-Preux. He was twenty-three (23) when he died.

The letter below from his father asks where William is buried but surmised that since he had not been provided that information, his son's body had not been found. Henry's suspicion was correct, William was not found and to mark his sacrifice, his name is commemorated on the Beaumont-Hamel Memorial, France.

William's record shows that on March 2nd, 1918, William's father, Henry received payment to William's estate in the amount of \$46.23 and as the administrator, this went to Henry.

In October 1921, Henry was issued a Memorial Plaque for his son and his medals: The British War Medal and the Victory Medal.

C.R. 2046

Bay Roberto
Oct 25/1920.

Dear Sir: - I

In connection
with the enclosed I regret
to say that I have never
heard a sound as to where
my son was buried. Although
I have never heard officially
yet I understand his body
was never found.

Yours very truly

Henry Norman.

In Memory Of
Private

WILLIAM H. NORMAN

Service Number: 2046

Newfoundland Regiment who died on 23 April 1917 Age 23

Son of Henry and Ellen Norman, of Bay Roberts, Harbour Grace.

Remembered with Honour

BEAUMONT-HAMEL (NEWFOUNDLAND) MEMORIAL



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