

## Honouring Our Local Veterans

2014

### **Beverley Jack Butler - Corporal, Canadian Army (Korean War) - Tobermory**

Bev served in Yokohama and Kobe, Japan; he then went on to Korea in 1952.

While stationed in Korea, Bev received Advanced Machine Gunnery training. He served with the Royal Canadian Regiment 1<sup>st</sup> Division, 25<sup>th</sup> Infantry Brigade up until his discharge in November, 1954. Sadly, Bev passed away February 19, 2014.

### **George Edwards – Sub Lieutenant, Royal Canadian Navy (Second World War) - Meaford**

George enlisted in 1941 at *HMCS Star* in Hamilton and served at *HMCS Cornwallis* in Nova Scotia.

### **Louis Gault – Private, Royal Canadian Army Medical Corps (Second World War) - Durham**

Gault was a member of the 6<sup>th</sup> Field Transfusion Unit with which he worked as an operating room assistant. As part of the 6<sup>th</sup> Field Transfusion Unit, Gault was sent to France shortly after D-Day for medical support.

### **Robert Alfred Gillson – Private, Canadian Infantry Corps (Second World War) – Owen Sound**

Gillson missed going overseas with both his active service units because of pneumonia. When he was discharged from the hospital the second time, he was no longer on active service. Gillson served at Borden until his discharge in 1946.

### **Lillian Marie Hartney – Ship’s Cook, Women’s Royal Naval Service (Second World War) - Tobermory**

Hartney prepared and cooked for the Military hospital in Cornwallis, N.S. She later served in Ottawa, ON at H.M.C.S. Bytown.

### **Barney Lyle Hopkins – Squadron Leader, Royal Canadian Air Force (1952 – 1983) - Tobermory**

While serving, Hopkins worked as a Flying Instructor, a Fighter Pilot, a Transport / Search & Rescue Pilot, and a United Nations Observer, with perhaps his most notable mission being the evacuation of civilians from Iran in 1979.

### **Lloyd Hunt – Lieutenant, Royal Canadian Air Force (Second World War & Korean War) – Ottawa (from Allenford)**

Hunt participated in several missions. He was involved in the invasion of North Africa, specifically Algeria and Tunisia. He also invaded Sicily from Malta. Hunt was also involved in the invasion of Normandy. Upon returning to the military in 1951, Hunt worked as a jet instructor for the Vampire T-11 and T-33 and piloted CF-100 Canucks.

**Glen McNeil – First Class Stoker, Royal Canadian Navy (Second World War) – Owen Sound**

McNeil served aboard the *HMCS Sea-Cliff* which was responsible for convoy duty in the North Atlantic between St. John's, Newfoundland and Londonderry, Ireland. McNeil made 4 of these transatlantic trips, and was present at the sinking of the U-877 German submarine.

**Ronald John Williams – Major, Royal Canadian Air Force (1954 – 1982) - Tobermory**

Williams was very involved in operations surrounding the Cold War. He also accumulated 243 days of service with United Nations Operations. During his time in the military, Williams was a member of 440 Squadron, 4(T) OT Unit, AW(F) Squadron, 437(T) Squadron, 436(T) Squadron, 10 Squadron, and 437 Squadron.

**Donald Willmott – Corporal, United States Army, Office of Strategic Services (Second World War) – Owen Sound**

In the summer of 1944, Donald enlisted at the military airfield south of Chengdu, Sichuan, China. He was recruited by the American Office of Strategic Services (OSS), who needed Chinese-English translators and interpreters. There were no Canadian forces in the area, so Donald was advised by the Canadian Consulate to join the American army, as he was needed by them.