

2023 Honouring Our Local Veterans Short Bios

Sergeant Terry Bates of the Canadian Military Communications and Electronic Network served for thirty-three years in the Canadian Armed Forces including a deployment to NATO Headquarters Allied Forces Central, in Brunssum, the Netherlands, as a Technical Controller.

Private Alvin Cameron enlisted for military service in August 1942, serving with the Royal Canadian Regiment during the Second World War and was killed-in-action in Sicily while on a patrol.

Leading Seaman William Cutting signed up for service with the Royal Canadian Navy in 1949 and was aboard His Majesty's Canadian Ship *Nootka* as it patrolled the waters off the eastern coast of Korea during the Korean War.

Lieutenant Luella Denton served as a nursing sister during the First World War at a number of hospitals and casualty clearing stations in Belgium and France and witnessed the death of many of her colleagues when Number 1 Canadian General Hospital was bombed in 1918.

Private John Des Jardine of Tobermory who served with the Perth Regiment during the Second World War as a cook was diagnosed with rheumatic fever and discharged in October 1942.

Lieutenant Colonel James Gale after attending Royal Roads and graduating from Royal Military College flew with Royal Canadian Air Force 441 Squadron as a fighter pilot flying CF104 Starfighters in Europe during the Cold War.

Ordinary Seaman John Garvey served aboard ships of the Merchant Navy during the Second World War ferrying goods from North America to the Caribbean, Europe and Africa during the Battle of the Atlantic.

Sergeant Leonard Smith was "looking for a job" when he enlisted in the Canadian Army in 1952, serving with the Royal Canadian Army Service Corps during the Korean War.

Sergeant Wallace Sprung who signed up for military service in September 1942, trained as a driver and dispatch rider and was deployed with the Canadian Armoured Corps in Italy and Northwest Europe during the Second World War.