

Tyendingaga Info Series

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WW1 Vets of MBQ: Those That Didn't Come Home

**Brown Bag Lunch At Kanhiote Library
11:30am to 1:30pm**

Please Help! We are looking for community members that have photos or memorabilia from WW1 to add to our collection. It doesn't have to be given up permanently, we can take copies and/or photos of the material so that you don't have to part with it.

**NO SESSION in December 2013.
Stay tuned for our next round of dates for 2014!**

Local history information will also appear in the newsletter, on MBQ website and on Kanhiote Library website.

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MBQ & WW1



The First World War began in August 1914. It was called "The Great War" and "the war to end all wars". Millions died and millions were wounded. When Britain declared war on Germany, Canada, as part of the British Empire, was at war too.

For the Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte that strong historical alliance with the Crown endured, just as it had through the American Revolution and the War of 1812. We rallied to support the war effort.

In 1914 Indian Affairs reported that the population of MBQ was 1411. So far we have identified nearly 100 men of the community who signed up to serve. Not all of them did serve but a large proportion did. In 1916 the Council voted to allow land at The Plains to be used for an aviation school.

Next year will be the 100th anniversary of the start of the war. As part of a research project, we started to obtain copies of World War One personnel files for MBQ community members in 2010.

We hope to have a series of articles on the subject of MBQ and WW1 over the next few years.

We would like to dedicate the first article to those who volunteered but did not come home. Thus far we have identified 22 men of the community who died overseas. Two of the twenty two lost were brothers, sons of Josiah & Elizabeth (Moses) Brant. Some were killed by enemy fire. Some were killed by accident. One was killed by disease while serving. One died of disease before he could come home. Some were very young men. Some were older men with wives and children. We do not know the circumstances of every death but we will report what we know so far.

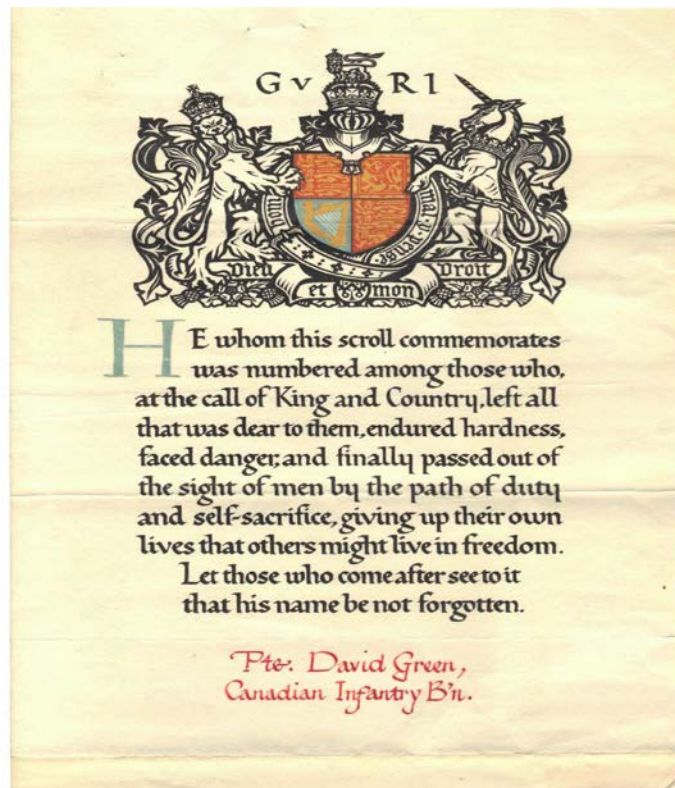
In 2005 the library was given a collection of items from the relations of Emma Green Maracle. Two of her brothers served in the war. One of them was David Green. David Green and James N. Barnhardt were friends before the war. In January 1917 wrote to his sister Emma describing Christmas:

... We had a very nice Xmas Jim & I and some more Midland Boys had turkey for xmas supper and all the beer we could drink so you see we were all right. We also had a piece of Canadian Xmas Cake. Jim and I have been up to the trenches once so far and we found that it wasn't too bad after all except for the mud...

Jim died in February 1917 and David died in April 1917.

One document from the collection is David's entry in a war Royal memorial scroll from King George V. It states:

He whom this scroll commemorates was numbered among those who, at the call of King and Country, left all that was dear to them, endured hardness, faced danger, and finally passed out of the sight of men by the path of duty and self-sacrifice, giving up their own lives that others might live in freedom. Let those who come after see to it that his name be not forgotten.



For David Green and all the others, they shall not be forgotten:

Frank Bardy [20 years old]

Born 23rd March 1896

Son of Lydia Hill and possibly baptized as "Hebrew Barnes Hill" but raised by Peter & Lydia (Doxtator) Bardy

Signed up: 30th December 1914, Estevan, Saskatchewan

Regimental Number: 426204

Private, Canadian Infantry (Manitoba Regiment 27th Battalion]

"Killed in Action" "During an attack on the enemy's position, this soldier was killed by a shell fire. 10th April 1917 at Vimy Ridge.

[LAC Circumstances of Death Registers Microform 31829_B016715 pp. 1040-41]

Buried at Vimy Memorial, Pas de Calais, France

Cornelius "Con" Barnhart [29 years old]

Born 18th September 1888

Son of Charles & Susan (Maracle) Barnhart

Signed up: 22nd September 1914, Valcartier, Quebec

Regimental Number: 7711

Private, Canadian Infantry (Eastern Ontario Regiment 2nd Battalion]

Died 13th December 1918 in England

Buried at Bramshott (St. Mary) Churchyard

Harry Douglas Barnhardt [29 years old]

Born 21st November 1888

Son of Charles & Euphemia (Campbell) Barnhart

Signed up: 11th January 1918, Kingston, Ontario

Regimental Number: 3055947

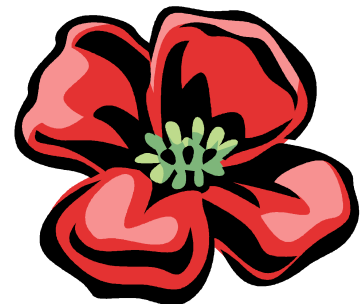
Private, Canadian Infantry (Eastern Ontario Regiment 21st Battalion]

"Died of Wounds" "Gunshot Wound Right Buttock" "at No. 33 Casualty Clearing Station"

[LAC Circumstances of Death Registers Microform 31829_B016716 pp. 294-5]

Died 21st October 1918 in France

Buried at Bucquoy Road British Cemetery, Ficheux
(Cemetery 41/4 miles south of Arras, France)



James Nelson Barnhardt [30 years old]

Born 16th January 1887

Son of Robert James & Catherine (Maracle) Barnhart

Signed up: 5th February 1916, Midland, Ontario

Regimental Number: 644753

Private, Canadian Infantry (Western Ontario Regiment 1st Battalion)

"Died of Wounds" " (Gunshot Wound Chest, Accidental)

"Private Barnhardt was wounded by a bullet from the rifle of a comrade, who discharged his rifle accidentally while cleaning it. He was evacuated to No. 22 Casualty Clearing Station where he died two days later."

[LAC Circumstances of Death Registers Microform 31829_B016716 pp. 296-7]

Died 24th February 1917 in France

Buried at Bruay Communal Cemetery Extension

Jacob Bernhart [40 years old]

Born 1st January 1878

Son of David & Susan (Bey) Barnhart

Signed up: 20th March 1917, Vancouver, BC

Regimental Number: 2203445

Sapper, Canadian Railway Troops (1st Battalion)

"Died (nephritis) at No. 4 Casualty Clearing Station"

[LAC Circumstances of Death Registers Microform 31829_B016715 pp. 1040-41]

Died 15th January 1918 in Belgium

Buried at Dozingem Military Cemetery

Wife "Nellie May"

Charles Arthur Brant [39 years old]

Born 29th October 1877

Son of Josiah & Elizabeth (Moses) Brant

Signed up: 24th March 1916, Prince Albert, Saskatchewan

Regimental Number: 204555

Private, Canadian Infantry (Central Ontario Regiment 15th Battalion)

"Previously reported missing, now reported Killed in Action"

Location: "Bois Hugo"

[LAC Circumstances of Death Registers Microform 31829_B016722 p. 286]

Died 15th August 1917 in France

Buried at St. Mary's Advanced Dressing Station Cemetery, Haisnes

Ernest Russell Brant [26 years old]

Born 15th March 1891

Son of Josiah & Elizabeth (Moses) Brant

Signed up: 15th May 1916, Cobourg, Ontario

Regimental Number: 815004

Private, Canadian Infantry (Saskatchewan Regiment 28th Battalion)

"Died of Wounds" "This soldier received a gunshot wound in the head, during the attack on ROSIERES on August 9th. He was attended and evacuated to No. 6 General Hospital, Rouen, where he succumbed to his wounds a few days later."

[LAC Circumstances of Death Registers Microform 31829_B016722 p. 288]

Died 16th August 1918 in France

Buried at St. Sever Cemetery Extension, Rouen

Richard Brant [40 years old]

Born 19th February 1877

Son of Peter Joe & Deborah (Claus) Brant

Signed up: 2nd February 1916, Deseronto, Ontario

Regimental Number: 636550

Private, Canadian Infantry (Eastern Ontario Regiment 2nd Battalion)

"Killed in Action"

[LAC Circumstances of Death Registers Microform 31829_B016722 p. 290]

Died 3rd May 1917 in France

Buried at Vimy Memorial, Pas de Calais, France

Next of Kin: Wife: Elizabeth or Bessie; Bigamous Wife: Christine Daughter: Anne Sarah [Annie Sarah married Gerald Bardy in 1928 – there were children]

British War Medal, Victory Medal

Austin Green [21 years old]

Born 21st April 1897

Son of Daniel & Susan (Minnie) Green

Signed up: 17th February 1916, Toronto, Ontario

Regimental Number: 862396

Private, Canadian Infantry (Central Ontario Regiment 4th Battalion)

"Died of Wounds" "Whilst with his company going forward to its assembly positions about midnight on September 2nd 1918, during an advance on the Canal du Nord, a shell burst nearby and he was hit in the chest by a piece of shrapnel. His wounds were dressed by a comrade and he was taken to No. 42 Casualty Clearing Station where he succumbed shortly afterwards."

[LAC Circumstances of Death Registers Microform 31829_B016687 pp. 50-1]

Died 3rd September 1918 in France

Buried at Aubigny Communal Cemetery Extension

(Location of Cemetery, 8 ¼ miles north west of Arras)

[Newspaper clipping on Canadian Virtual War Memorial]

David Green [about 34 years old]

Born October 1882
Son of Alexander & Catherine
(Maracle) Green
Signed up: 9th February 1916,
Midland, Ontario
Regimental Number: 664772
Private, Canadian Infantry (Western
Ontario Regiment 1st Battalion)
"Died of Wounds" "No. 23 Casualty
Clearing Station"
[LAC Circumstances of Death
Registers Microform 31829_B016687 pp. 90-1]
Died 10th April 1917 in France
Buried at Lapugnoy Military Cemetery



NOTE: We believe this photo is of David Green, taken from the collection of Emma Green-Maracle. If you have information to confirm or correct us, please let us know.

George Mark Hill [aka George Mark Maracle] [26 years old]

Born 10th February 1891
Son of Albert & Anne (Hill) Maracle
Signed up: 12th February 1916, Coldwater, Ontario
Regimental Number: 649015
Private, Canadian Infantry (Western Ontario Regiment 1st Battalion)
"Killed in Action" "Trenches in vicinity of Bois de la Ville."
[LAC Circumstances of Death Registers Microform 31829_B034748 p. 512]
Died 12th April 1917 in France
Buried at Vimy Memorial, Pas de Calais, France

Joseph Bernard Hill [22 years old]

Born 26th November 1895 [LAC]
Son of Joseph B. Hill & Bernadette Levesque
Signed up: 20th March 1915 in Kingston
Regimental Number: 89648
Corporal, Canadian Field Artillery (17th Bay. 5th Bde.)
"Killed in Action" "Whilst one of a party at the head of the column, as the
Battery was advancing to the right of Sancourt, he was instantly killed by a
bullet, fired by an enemy sniper."
[LAC Circumstances of Death Registers Microform 31829_B034748 pp. 556-7]
Died 30th September 1918 in France
Buried at Ontario Cemetery, Sains-Les-Marquion

Isaac Maracle [19 years old]

Born 28th July 1898

Son of Eliza Jane Maracle

Signed up: 21st March 1916 in Deseronto

Regimental Number: 636881

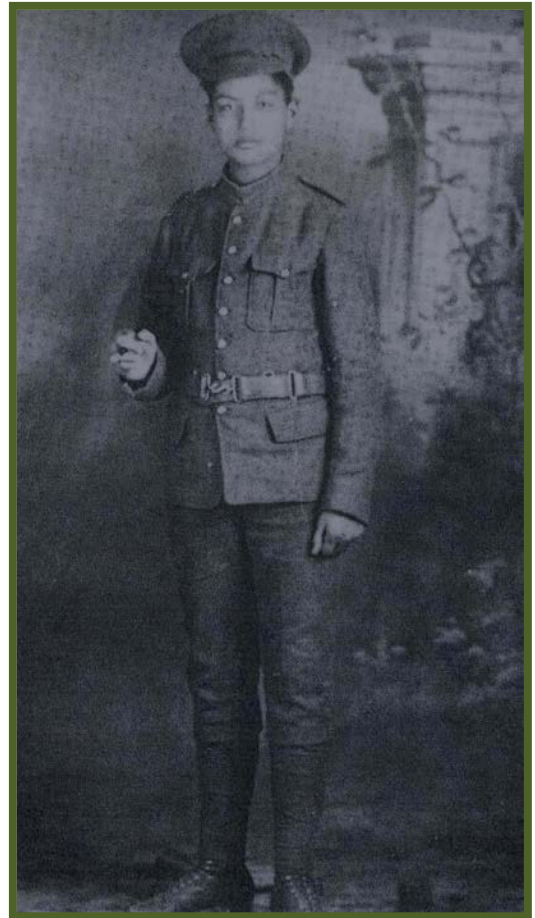
Private, Princess Patricia's Canadian Light
Infantry (Eastern Ontario Regiment)

"Killed in Action" "Attack west of
Passchendaele"

[LAC Circumstances of Death Registers
Microform 31829_B016753 pp.116-7]

Died 30th October 1917 in Belgium

Buried at Ypres (Menin Gate) Memorial



Isaac Maracle

John H. Maracle [37 years old]

Born 21st August 1879

Son of William H. & Sarah (Brant) Maracle

Signed up: 6th May 1916 in Belleville / 23rd November 1916 in Belleville

[2 attestation papers]

Regimental Number: 219022

Private, Canadian Infantry (New Brunswick Regiment 44th Battalion)

"Killed in Action" "At about 8.00 A.M. on January 12th 1917, while cleaning his
rifle in Rabineau trench, North of Souchex, he was hit and instantly killed by an
enemy rifle bullet."

[LAC Circumstances of Death Registers Microform 31829_B016753 pp.118-9]

Died 12th January 1917 in France

Buried at Villers Station Cemetery, Villers-au-Bois

Next of Kin: Wife – Hattie Maracle. Children: James Albert, Bessie, Gladys Marion,
Herbert

Peter William Maracle [25 years old]

Born 15th March 1893

Son of Moses & Eliza (Barnhart) Maracle

Signed up: 28th January 1916 in Bartonville, Ontario

Regimental Number: 784956

Private, Canadian Infantry (Manitoba Regiment 52nd Battalion)

"Died of Wounds" "Whilst taking part in operations on October 1st 1918, he was wounded in the left thigh, left testicle, and received a fractured femur by enemy machine gun fire. He was given first aid and taken to the No. 1 Canadian Casualty Clearing Station, where he died two days later."

[LAC Circumstances of Death Registers Microform 31829_B016753 pp.120-1]

Died 3rd October 1918 in France

Buried at Duisans British Cemetery, Etrun, Pas de Calais, France

(Etrun, 4 miles west north west of Arras, France)

Next of Kin: Wife – Cecilia Maracle

Philip Maracle [about 24 years old]

Born 3rd August 1893

Son of William Edward & Julia (Williams) Maracle

Signed up: 18th November 1915 in Belleville

Regimental Number: 219361

Private, Canadian Infantry (New Brunswick Regiment 44th Battalion)

"Previously reported Wounded and Missing, now for official purposes presumed to have died." "Trenches west of La Coulotte"

[LAC Circumstances of Death Registers Microform 31829_B016753 pp122-3]

Died on or since 10th May 1917 in France

Named at Vimy Memorial, Pas de Calais, France

Next of Kin: Wife – Bertha; Son – Leo Sydney

Wheeler Maracle [about 20 years old]

Born 1st April 1897

Son of Daniel & Ann (Brant) Maracle

Signed up: 9th March 1916 in Napanee

Regimental Number: 220513

Private, Canadian Infantry (Alberta Regiment 50th Battalion)

"Previously reported missing, believed Killed, now for official purposes presumed to have died." "Attack north of Souchez."

[LAC Circumstances of Death Registers Microform 31829_B016753 p. 124]

Died on or since 3rd February 1917 in France

Named at Vimy Memorial, Pas de Calais, France

Thomas Mungo [42 years old]

Born 4th May 1875

Son of Elizabeth Smart & John Mungo?

Signed up: 23rd September 1914, Valcartier, Quebec

Regimental Number: 28537

Private, Canadian Infantry (Manitoba Regiment 16th Battalion)

"Died of Wounds" "(Gun Shot Wounds Chest, Arm) At No. 7 Casualty Clearing Station."

[LAC Circumstances of Death Registers Microform 31829_B016757 pp. 452-3]

Died 17th August 1917 in France

Buried at Mazingarbe communal Cemetery Extension, Pas de Calais

Next of Kin: Wife – Caroline; Children: Avis, Henry Anthony, Clarence Edward

William Pinn (Penn) [21 years old]

Born 11th August 1895

Son of John & Christine (Hill) Penn

Signed up: 19th April 1916 in Belleville

Regimental Number: 637077

Private, Canadian Infantry (Eastern Ontario Regiment 2nd Battalion)

"Killed in Action" "Attack on Fresnoy"

[LAC Circumstances of Death Registers Microform 31829_B016710 p. 570]

Died 3rd May 1917 in France

Buried at Vimy Memorial, Pas de Calais, France

Rueben Sero [20 years old]

Born 5th October 1897

Son of Israel & Eliza (Brant) Sero

Signed up: 10th July 1916 in Belleville

Regimental Number: 637184

Private, Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry
(Eastern Ontario Regiment)

"Killed in Action" "Attack West of Passchendaele"

[LAC Circumstances of Death Registers Microform 31829_B016700 p. 834]

Died 30th October 1917 near Passchendaele

Buried at Passchendaele New British Cemetery, West Vlaanderen, Belgium

Harold Smart**[23 years old]**Born 26th April 1893

Son of Henry & Julia (Moses) Smart

Signed up: 25th February 1915 in Belleville

Regimental Number: 412306

Private, Canadian Infantry (Nova Scotia Regiment 25th Battalion)Died 29th September 1916 in France?

Buried at Vimy Memorial, Pas de Calais, France

George Williams**[39 years old]**Born 8th December 1878

Son of Barney & Mary Ann (Claus) Williams

Signed up: 16th October 1915 in Barriefield

Regimental Number: 219957

Private, Canadian Infantry (Saskatchewan Regiment 46th Battalion)Died 26th October 1917 in Belgium

Buried at Ypres (Menin Gate) Memorial

For the Fallen***They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old:******Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.******At the going down of the sun and in the morning,******We will remember them.******Laurence Binyon***