

The River Round Up

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River Bourgeois Veterans

This issue is dedicated to the veterans who reside in River Bourgeois and to those who were born here and reside elsewhere. Let us all remember those who fought on land, air and sea, those who guarded our Canadian coastlines and those who worked in supplies and shipping. They all contributed to the "Peace" we enjoy today. Let us on November 11th make it a "Hug a Vet Day"

Andrews, Frank joined the army in 1938 and spent the war years in the Coast guard off the coast of Sydney. Frank and Blanche moved to RB in 1990 from Florida. They had five children.



Charlie Beranger

Alex Burke

Beranger, Charlie son of Willie and Justine joined the Navy in 1940. Charlie was a Chief Petty Officer and served in England and was a survivor of D-Day. Charlie and Millie reside in Halifax and had five children.

Burke, Abraham son of Amable I. and Ida Mae joined the Merchant Navy in 1944. Abraham sailed to Australia, South America, Mexico, Holland, England and Germany. Abraham and late wife Josephine had five children.

Burke, Alex son of Joe P. and Clara joined the Navy in 1941. Alex spent his war years traveling to France, Germany, Russia and England. The main function of his ship was to retrieve broken down subs and tow them into Halifax for necessary repairs. Alex and Amilda had three children.

Burke, Anthony (Tony) son of Amable I. And Ida Mae joined the army in 1941 and spent the rest of the war in NFLD. Tony lives in Grand Anse and had 12 children.



Tony Burke

Robert Burke

Burke, Anthony son of Joe P. and Clara joined in 1943. Anthony worked as a Civil Security Policeman in the Halifax dockyards and shipyards. Anthony had ten children.



Dolore Burke

Raymond Burke

Burke, Anthony Delore son of Amable and Matilda Burke joined the Navy in 1939 and sailed on the *HMS Moose Jaw*. The ship was the first to sink a German warship off the coast of Iceland. Delore and his late wife Hilda had one son.

Burke, Lawrence son of Dominic and Philomene joined the Merchant Marines in 1940. Lawrence sailed to Venezuela, Columbia, Aruba, Gulf of Mexico and eastern shores of the United States. Lawrence and his late wife Hilda had one child.

Burke, Raymond son of Joe P. and Clara joined the Merchant Navy in 1941. Raymond served on a freighter, then a tanker to South America and the St. Lawrence. In 1943 Raymond joined the Army and went to England and onto Holland where he was wounded. Raymond and Mildred had seven children.

Burke, Robert son of Simon and Laura joined the Air Force in 1941.Robert was a member of the First Canadian Parachute's Battalion and served in England and Continental Europe. Robert and Ruth reside in Brantford, Ont. and had four children.



Victor Burke

Charles Digout

Burke, Victor son of Dominic and Philomene joined the Royal Canadian Artillery. Their function was to protect the shorelines of Nova Scotia and the port of Halifax. Victor and Evelyn had two children.

Burke, Vitas son of Joe P. and Clara joined the Merchant Marine. Vitas served in Nova Scotia, Newfoundland and in South Africa. Vitas and Irene reside in Halifax and had one child.

Davidson, Estwood joined the Navy in 1939. He sailed on the *Assiniboine* to Gibraltar and the Bay of Biscay and also served on three Q-Boats (submarine chasers) as a lead stocker mechanic. As a result of shell shock, Estwood suffered from hearing problems. He and Rachel moved to RB in 1957 and had three children.

Digout, Charles son of Victor and Mary Emma joined the Navy on the first day of the war in 1939. Charlie worked on the Corvette ship *Orilla* escorting ships from NFLD to Iceland and Ireland. Following Officers Training Charlie captained a patrol ship. Charlie and his late wife Francis had three children.



Ferdinand Digout

Marshall Digout

Digout, Ferdinand son of Victor and Mary Emma joined the Army in 1940. Ferdinand worked as a Dental assistant in the Medical Core and was stationed in NFLD. Ferd and his wife Norma reside in Brantford, Ontario and had four children.

Digout, Marshall son of Victor and Mary Emma joined the Air Force in 1944. Marshall was stationed in Goose Bay, Labrador. Marshall and Eileen reside in Brantford, Ont. and had seven children.



Vincent Digout

Laura Gillan

Digout, Vincent son of Victor and Mary Emma joined the army as a member of the North Nova Regiment. Vincent served in England and Holland. Vincent and Marie reside in Brantford, Ont. had one child.

Gillan, Laura, daughter of Daniel Madden of Thibeauville served in the Royal Canadian Air force from 1940-1946. She served in all the Maritime Provinces as a nursing sister. Laura lives in St. Peters. She and her late husband, James (also a veteran) had five children.



Herman Fougere

Cletus Landry

Fougere, Herman son of Marin and Sarah joined the army in 1942. He was stationed in Botwood, NFLD and worked as a carpenter. Following the war He stayed there to help crate supplies to be shipped to Canada. Herman resides in Halifax with wife Anne.

Fougere,John son of Marin and Sarah joined the American Army in 1942. He sailed to England and was involved in the second invasion in Normandy and later served in Germany. John and Edna reside in St. Peters and had five children.

Landry, Clarence son of Peter and Celeste joined the Merchant Navy in 1941. Clarence worked on the transmission cable boats along the coast of NFLD and the St. Lawrence River. Clarence resides in Niagara Falls with Nora and had two children.

Landry, Cletus son of Joseph and Alvina joined the Army in 1942 and was a member of the North Nova Regiment. Cletus spent most of the war in Holland as a cook. Cletus now resides in Arichat and he and his late wife Margaret had two children.



Gervase Landry



Leo Landry

Landry, Gervase son of Joseph and Alvina joined the Army in 1942. He served with the Light Artillery Battery Regiment in England, France, Belgium and Holland. While in Holland he was shot twice in the arm and spent the several months recuperating in England. Gervase and Jane had 2 children.

Landry, Leo son of Celeste and Peter Landry joined the Merchant Marines in 1942 and sailed on the ship *Moose Mountain Park*. He traveled to France, Venezuela, Trinidad, Puerto Rico and the coast of California. Leo and wife Theresa had five children.

Landry, Hector son of Jeffrey and Adelia joined the Army in 1940. Hector served in England, Holland and Italy. He also served in the Korean War in 1951. Hector and Adelia now reside in St.Peters and had one child.

Landry, Vincent son of Fabie & Dora joined the Air Force in 1939. After two years Vincent left the Air Force and joined the Army and served the rest of the war in Europe. Vincent now resides in Dartmouth with wife Connie and they had four children





Bernie Morrison

Ted Morrison

Morrison . Bernard son of Denis P.and Margaret joined the Navy in 1940.He served on the Skeena, Chamblois and the Moonbeam patrolling in the North Atlantic. He now lives in Etobicoke, Ont.

Morrison, George (Ted) son of Denis P. and Margaret served with the Royal Canadian Engineers from Sept., 1939-Dec 1945.He served in Canada, the Mediterranean, UK and Continental Europe. Ted now lives in Buffalo, New York.



Firman Pate

Robert Pettigrew

Pate, Firman son of Willie and Bertha joined the army in 1939. Firman was wounded while serving in Germany, France and Holland. Firman and wife Rose live in Brantford, Ontario and had one child

Pettigrew, Robert joined the army in 1942 and served as a member of the North Nova Scotia Highlanders. Bob served in France and various seaports in Europe.He was critically wounded by enemy gunfire in the back and leg in Dover. Bob and wife Mary moved to River Bourgeois in 1954.

Richard, Clarence son of Charlie and Vina joined the Merchant Navy in 1939. Clarence sailed to the Gold and Ivory Coast of Africa and South America. Clarence resides in Halifax with wife Marie.

Richard, Egbert son of Charlie and Vina joined the Navy in 1939. Egbert served on the Corvette ships with his good friend Charlie Digout. Egbert and wife Sally reside in Toronto and had three children.



Egbert Richard

Leo Richard

Richard, Fabian son of Charles and Vina joined the Merchant Marines in 1943. Fabian sailed on the Clyde Valley, Point Pelee Port, Mount Bruce and the Elm Bay to Haiti, Puerto Rico and several parts of South America. Fabian and Casilda had 3 children.

Richard, Leo son of Charlie and Vina joined the Army in 1941. Leo served the entire time in England in the Medical Core Division. Leo and wife Joan reside in Oshawa. Ontario and had two children.

Richard, Martin son of Charlie and Vina joined the Merchant Navy in 1939. Martin sailed the North Atlantic, Halifax, Newfoundland and Montreal. Martin resides in Peterborough, Ontario and he and wife Margaret had five children.

Richard, Murdock son of Minnie and Issac Joined the Merchant Marines. Murdock worked on transmission cable boats of the coast of Halifax, Sable Island and Bermuda, Murdock and late wife Mary Ellen had one child.

Richard, William son of William and Minnie joined the Merchant Navy in 1939 at the age of "fifteen". William served on an oil tanker and traveled to France and England. William and late wife Mildred had six children.



Albert Sampson

Sampson, Albert son of Charles P and Agnes joined the Air Force in 1941. Albert was stationed in Halifax, and in Botwood, Thor Bay and Gander Newfoundland. Albert and wife Anna reside in Guelph, Ontario and had four children.

Sampson, Simon son of Charles J and Minnie joined the Army in 1941. Simon was a member of the Cape Breton Highlanders as a deep-sea diver and spent most of the war stationed in Ontario. Simon now resides in Sydney.

Sampson, Vincent son of John J and Josephine joined the army in 1942. Vincent worked as a stevedore at the dockyards in Halifax. Vincent and wife Vivian now reside in St. Peter. Vincent had six

Sampson, Whitney son of Charles J and Minnie joined the Army in 1940. Whitney was a member of the Artillery Regiment station in Halifax. Whitney had two children .He now lives in St.Peters.

Robertson, Raymond son of Catherine Ann and Fred joined the army in 1943. Raymond served in England, Belgium, Holland and in Germany, Seven days prior to the end of the war Raymond was shot in the arm while in Germany. Raymond and wife Bridget had three children.



Raymond Robertson

Peter Sampson

Sampson, Peter son of Agnes and Davy joined the Army in 1939.Peter served with the West Nova Scotia Regiment in Italy, France, Belgium and Germany before going to Holland where he was wounded in the knee. He remained in Holland recuperating until the war ended.



Louis Thibeau Roy Truman

Thibeau, Louis son of John and Margaret Anne joined the Army in 1941. Louis served in England, Holland and Belgium. Louis and wife Eileen reside in Burlington, Ontario and had three children.

Touesnard, Gerard son of Emile and Mary Anne joined the Merchant Navy in 1940. Gerard served on the *Foundation Franklin*, a tugboat that towed ships to Halifax and St. John's, Newfoundland for repairs. Gerard and late wife Cecile had four children.

Truman, Roy joined the Army in 1939 with the Princess Louise Fusiliers Regiment. He served off the coast of Sydney with the coast guard. Roy and wife Carrie moved to RB in 1970 and had four children.

Our Korean War Veterans





Danny Sampson

Maurice Landry



Robert Yuille

Sampson, Danny was with the Canadian Engineers Battalion in the army and served in Korea .Danny moved to River Bourgeois and he and his wife Alice had four children.

Landry, Maurice son of Charlie and Beatrice served in the Navy. Maurice served as a Quarter Master on the *Huron, Quebec, Chignecto, Trinity* and the *Gaspe* Maurice and wife Lucille had three children.

Yuille, Robert was with the Canadian Navy and served the coastline of Korea. Bob and wife Eileen moved to RB in 1974. They had three children.

Let us not forget those Veterans who have passed away .Please take part in the Cenotaph service on Nov. 11th.We apologize if we missed someone. If there are any corrections call Sharon Digout at 535-3516.Thanks to all who provided information and pictures. This article was written by Sharon Chilvers, Sharon Digout ,Therese & Donnie Pottie

Wedding

Mombourquette/Carter: The marriage of Germaine, daughter of Mary Emma & Victor Digout to Simon Carter of Sampsonville took place at St. Peters Church on Thurs. Oct 24th... Our wishes include lots of happiness and someone said lots of little ones.

Deaths

MacDonald: Florence ,passed away in Glace Bay in October .We wish to express our sympathy to her daughter Joyce (John) Sampson and to her grandchildren Kelsey and Adam of RB.

Sampson : Charles Arthur ,son of the late Agnes and Charles Sampson of RB died in Halifax on Oct.24th.Our sympathy to all of Art's family especially his sister Joan (Bernie) Viscount.

Bits & Bites:

- ANNUAL CWL CHRISTMAS BAZAAR on Nov 3 from 1-3 pm at TLC .Mini Craft table, baked goods. Tea, Coffee and Cake served.
- 2 pm: Mini Bingo :Proceeds to Breast Cancer Research.

Donations of small Bingo prizes appreciated.

- Mothers & Tot meet at the TLC every Monday from 10-12 am. Call Wanda @ 535-2601.
- On Wednesdays there will be STORYTIME for the children at the TLC at 1:15. Contact Wanda at 535-2601 if you are interested.
- 8 week senior's fun exercise program on Wednesdays from 1-2:15. Contact Helen Slade @ 535-3280.
- CWL Meeting Nov 11th 7pm after 6:30 Mass
- RBCSS meeting at 7 pm. on Nov. 20th.
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