



The River Round Up

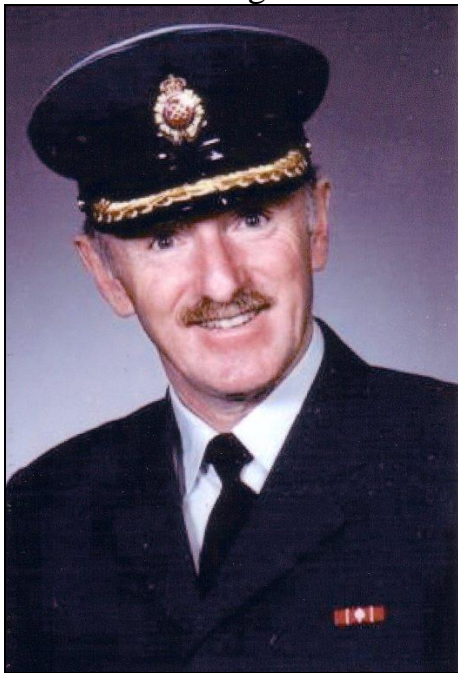
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Colonel Eddie Fougere-Our Soldier



After graduating from St. Peters High, Eddie earned his Bachelor of Commerce at STFX University in Antigonish. While attending STFX he joined the Royal Canadian Air Force and upon graduation he became a Flying Officer at RCAF Station Centralia, ON. Eddie progressed through the ranks with postings to: Montreal Quebec, Val D'or Quebec, Sydney and National Defense Headquarters in Ottawa, ON. Now a Major, Eddie became Base Supply Officer at CFB Greenwood, NS in 1978.

Following a year at Canadian Forces Staff College in Toronto, Eddie was promoted to Lieutenant Colonel and posted at Air Command Headquarters in Winnipeg, MN. In 1984 he became Base Technical Services Officer at CFB Ottawa and following that he was appointed Commanding Officer of No. 1 Canadian Forces Logistics Liaison Unit at the USAF's Wright Patterson Air Force Base in Dayton,

Ohio. Eddie was promoted to Colonel at Dayton and posted once again to National Defense Headquarters as the Director of Procurement, Supply & Finance. His final posting three years later was to Moncton, NB where he became Base Commander of CFB Moncton and Commanding Officer of No 5 Canadian Supply Depot. Colonel Fougere retired in 1994.

Eddie is the second of four children of the late Walter & Cecile (Boyd) Fougere of the South Side. After his retirement Eddie moved to Dartmouth, where he resides with his wife, Joan (Babin). He has three children, Carey (Elizabeth and grand-children, Breton, Keilidh & Kate), Calgary, AB; Christine (Vaughan and grand-children, Kyan & Ceidan), Toronto, ON; and Andre (Roielle and grand-children, Piper & Ryland), Airdrie, AB; and step-children, Cathy, (Bob and grand-children, Ashley & Matthew), Halifax, NS; and Cindy, Maddox Cove, NL.

Eddie is an avid golfer and recently spent a weekend with sixteen of his friends in Malagash. He and Joan are very health conscience and can be seen walking for several kilometres every day in Dartmouth. Following his daily walk, he meets with Bobby Smith, his brother Russell & Hubert Fougere at the coffee shop (one doughnut only). Eddie & Joan enjoy their weekly card games with friends and Eddie, being notorious for his perfection, always has to be the scorekeeper for fear of someone not accurately accounting for all points. However he has been known, as per a close friend, to having reshuffled the cards and forgetting to write down the score. Even though this incident occurred several years ago, he is reminded weekly by the boys as they do not take to losing very well. Eddie is well known for pulling pranks on his unsuspecting friends, family and neighbours. He & Joan spend the winters in Florida, mostly golfing and they enjoy visiting their children.

Eddie, we the people of River Bourgeois would like to thank you for serving our country and we wish you and Joan many more years of long walks, good health & happiness.

River Bourgeois Men Remembered Simon Peter Boudreau



Generation after generation has seen the men from our community live the life of a seafarer. One such seaman was Simon Peter Boudreau, born April 13, 1896, to Leander & Elizabeth (LeBlanc) Boudreau. Simon's career at sea began when he was very young and continued throughout two world wars. In his early years, WWI was in full swing and the Canadian Navy was in its infancy. The demand for seamen, especially those with any experience, was critically important. The *HMS Niobe* is considered Canada's first naval vessel. Given to Canada by Great Britain, *Niobe* would be used as a patrol vessel and then as a depot ship (support vessel fixed or mobile) but her true value would be as a cadet training vessel. In this role Simon would see active duty on *Niobe* on three separate occasions during the years 1916-18. Also throughout this period, he saw service on the *HMS Margaret* (three terms) as well as a term on the *SS Lansdowne*, leading to his discharge on December 30th, 1918.

Following the war, Simon would sail on the *CS (cable ship) Lord Kelvin*, as did William Richard at one time. In the next eight years, Imperial Oil tankers such as the *Calgarolite*, *Albertolite* and *Vancolite* saw Simon's ranking move from Able Seamen to Bosun (Petty Officer). He sailed on another eleven ships reaching the rank of wheelsman. On April 13th, 1938 in Saint John New Brunswick, Simon married Marie Madeline Laura LeMoine at 5:30 a.m. just before his ship was to leave port. Simon & Marie were blessed with three children, Genevieve, Irene and Clarence.

World WarII was now in progress and on July 3rd, 1940 Simon volunteered and served for the duration, discharging on August 24th, 1945. During this period Simon spent little time on ships, as his experience and seamanship were required more at shore bases

training young naval recruits for the new ships now in service. Rated as Very Good in all aspects as a seaman throughout his career, Simon received *Service Chevrons* in 1918, *Victory and British Medals* in 1923, and the *Good Conduct Badge* in 1940. To this point in Simon's career at sea he served on eighteen ships, two of which were torpedoed and he lost his right pinkie to amputation. Sadly, Simon passed away on December 3rd, 1975. *Compiled by Don Pottie: Information courtesy of Canadian National Archives, Paul Touesnard, and special thanks to Terry Wagstaff, son-in-law. (Simon was an uncle to Susan Boudreau)*

River Bourgeois's Soldiers

These are just a few of the men from River Bourgeois who served our country and are remembered. Since we cannot put all pictures of our dedicated soldiers we will have more in the next November issue.



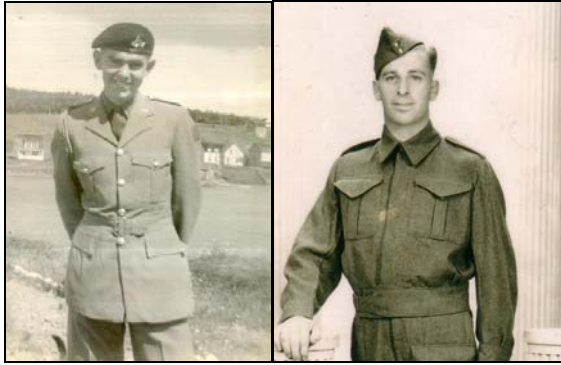
Ferdinand Digout, Alfred Richard and Vincent Digout



Abraham Pottie & Delore Burke



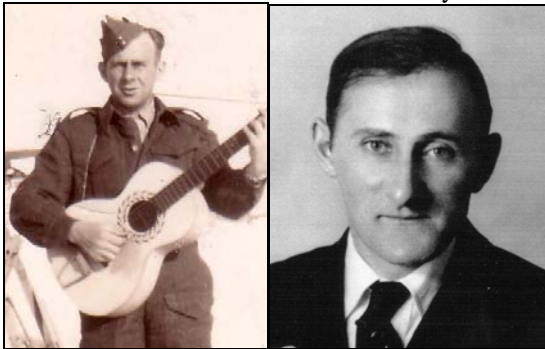
Clarence Richard & Clarence McPhee



Ennis Landry & Hector Landry



Fred LeBlanc & Clarence Landry



Hilary LeBlanc & Vincent Sampson

The Soldiers

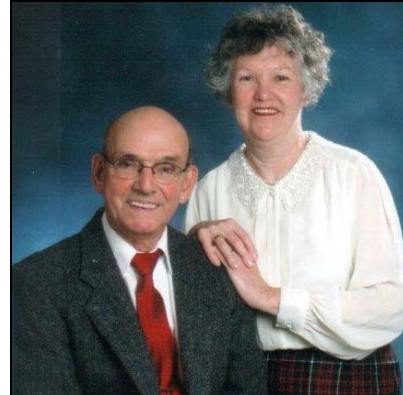
Who are these Soldiers we remember today?
 Why did they choose to fight away?
 What did they see and what did they do?
 Were they ever afraid and at times lonesome too?
 What was it like to prepare for the fight?
 Did you imagine the target an evil sight?
 How did you react when you came face to face?
 With the enemy who's just a part of the human race?
 The turmoil, the fear, the gut wrenching times,
 Must have changed your beings and minds
 You continued to fight even when your friends died.
 You buried them, carried them, and sometimes cried.
 "Why I ask, and you politely say, "Look at the freedoms we have today!"
 The freedom to vote, to speak and to pray
 These are the reasons we went away.

So generations to come may live in peace,
 And wars and fighting may forever cease.
 So thank you dear soldiers for all that you've done.
 You can rest now in peace, and lay down your gun.
*William Laforce, 16 years (son of Major Paul & Claudine of
 Manitoak, ON and grandson of Rita & Russell Fougere)*

50th Wedding Anniversaries



Dianne & Patrick (Pattie) Bourque celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on October 7th. They were wed at Immaculate Conception Church in Truro. They have four children: Jeff, Jennifer, Suzanne & Patrick and six wonderful grandchildren: Nicholas, Marco, Lisa, Alexandra, Danielle & Christina.



Edna & Gerry Casey celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on October 14th. They were wed at St. Theresa Church in Halifax. They have two sons: Wally & Gerald (JJ) in Halifax and five amazing grandchildren: Martin, Morgan, Robyn, Joey & Kate.

Run For the Cure



Kara-Leigh Burke, Laurie Zinck, Anne Landry & Janice Pelly
 Kara-Leigh Burke, Laurie Zinck, Anne Landry & Janice Pelly ran in the "Run for the Cure Marathon"

in Halifax. Janice & Laurie were running in support of their mom, Anne, who is a cancer survivor. Abby (not-pictured) who is Janice's daughter ran alongside her mom and finished the race in record time (ahead of Kara-Leigh, Laurie & Anne).

Births

Boudreau: Karson Joseph, 8lbs 4oz, was born October 22nd to Tannis & James. A brother for Keighan. Congratulations to the parents, grandparents Paul & Lucille Martell, Bert & Carolyn Boudreau and great grandmom Anna Martell.

Wedding

Landry/Francis: Congratulations to Chad, son of Vera Bourque-Landry and the late Charles George Landry, & Ariel daughter of Ken Francis & Lisa LeBlanc on their wedding on October 10th. Chad & Ariel reside in Halifax.

Deaths

Burke: Michael Edward, 57, passed away October 7th. Our condolences to his mom Dorothy, sisters: Doreen, Barbara, Beverly & Emmeline, brothers: Alvin, Rodney, Justin, Roger & Ian and their families.

Cousins: Annie 71 of Sydney Mines passed away on October 21st. Our condolences to her sister Mary Cosman and her family.

Sampson: Florence (Flo) Adeline, 89, passed away on October 9th. Our condolences to her children: David, Peter, Paul, John, Linda, Louise & Joan, her sister Louise O'Connor and their families.

Turner: Robert, 66, of Quebec passed away on October 17th. Our condolences to his daughter Sonia Touesnard & her family.

Bits and Bites

... **RB CAP site** is looking for volunteers to work for two hours at your convenience after 4pm on Wednesdays. Please contact Dorothy at barndr@gmail.com or Sharon (535-3516) at George.digout@ns.sympatico.ca

... **Brunch** will be held on November 13th from 10:30 to 1:00 at the Tara Lynne Center. Come and enjoy some: French toast, bacon, sausages, eggs, toast, fruit, juice, tea, coffee & much more for \$8 and children under five, its \$5.

... **Viola Touesnard** would like to thank all those who visited and sent cards during her surgery.

... **Blair Burke** and family would like to thank everyone who sent emails, get well cards, the encouraging phone calls and prayers during his two-year struggle with cancer. Your thoughts and prayers were very much appreciated. May God bless you all!

... **We the family of Delta Babin** would like to thank everyone involved with mom's funeral mass, the wake at the funeral home and the reception. Special thanks to Father Lamey, neighbours, friends and everyone for their kindness. *Joan, Billy & Anne Louise.*

... **We the family of Michael Burke**, wish to express our heartfelt thanks to Fr. Lamey, everyone who took part in the funeral mass, the CWL for the wonderful reception and RBCSS for the use of the hall along with all our friends, family & neighbours who delivered food to our homes, sent cards and donations. Your support and kindness will never be forgotten. *Burke, Sampson & Manta families.*

... **A fond farewell** from River Bourgeois to long time resident Eva Gardner. Eva has moved to Oshawa to be closer to her children. We will miss you Eva!

... **Happy 25th** wedding anniversary to George & Frances St. Louis on August 23rd. and to John & Wanda Burke on October 13th.

... **Happy 80th** Birthday to Peter Boyd on Oct 19th, 60th birthday to Donnie Fougere.

... **Seniors 45 Card** game every Sun. at 7:30pm.

... **Cribbage:** every Monday at 7 pm, Seniors Bldg.

... **Seniors meeting:** Tues., Nov. 8th at 1:30pm.

... **CWL meeting:** Thurs., Nov. 10th at 7:00pm.

... **RBCSS meeting:** Wed., Nov. 23rd at 7:00pm.

... **CAP Site meeting:** Wed., Nov. 16th at 7 pm.

... **Seniors Mini Bingo:** Wed., Nov 16th at 1:30 pm.

... **RB CAP Site hours:** Mon to Thurs. 1-3 & 6-8, Fri. 1-3. The RB CAP Site web address is http://ns4.seaside.ns.ca/~rbcap/roundup/roundup_archives.htm. We prepared CD's of the first 10 years of the River Round Up. They have a limited index and can be purchased for \$10 at the site or we will mail them for the extra cost of postage. Used books also for sale on site. Our email address is rbcap@stpeterscable.com. Phone # is 535-3251 & fax 535-3638.

... Anyone wishing to book the TLC should call Mike Fougere at 535-3308. People requiring use of the Funeral Home, call Marie & Conrad Fougere at 535-2621. Call Georgie or Harold Landry at 535-2939 to open the church for any special functions i.e. weddings, baptisms etc.

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