GILLIES, RALPH CAMPBELL

EARLY LIFE

Mar 20, 1895

Born in Gormley, Ontario to James and Almira (Marin) Gillies.

1901 Census Age 6

Lived in King, Ontario with James Gillies (head of house - father, age 47), Almira Gillies (mother, age 38) and Jean Gillies (sister, age 12).

Oct 5, 1917

MILITARY SERVICE

Drafted under Military Service Act, 1917, 1st Depot Battalion, 1st Central Ontario Regiment

Attestation **Paper**

Number: 3038044

Present address: King, Ontario

Next of kin given: Mrs. Almira Gillies (Mother) in King, Ontario

Trade or calling: Farmer

Married: No

Previous military experience: No

Religion: Church of England

Physical attributes:

• *Age:* 19 years ■ Height: 5'8"

Complexion: Medium

Eyes: Blue • Hair: Medium

Jul 26, 1918 Age 23

Diagnosed with gonorrhoea in Toronto. He was in the hospital for 7 weeks.

Nov 23, 1918 Age 23

Married Alma Victoria Upthegrove (age 21), daughter of Edway and Mary (Schmidt) Upthegrove.

Jan 29, 1919 Age 23

Sapper Ralph Gillies was discharged because of demobilization. He served with the Engineer Training Depot in Brockville, Ontario.

AFTER THE WAR

Aug 31, 1919

Age 24

Ralph Gillies his wife Alma welcomed a daughter named Alma Lillian Gillies.

1921 Census

Age 25

Lived in Etobicoke, Ontario with Alma Gillis (wife, age 24) and Lillian Gillies (daughter, age 1).

Mar 17, 1960

Ralph Campbell Gillies died at age 64 in Toronto, Ontario. He is buried at the Mount Pleasant Cemetery in Toronto, Ontario.

MENTIONED IN EARL CAMPBELL'S LETTERS HOME

Letters Home: Messages from the Trenches

May 30, 1918 pg. 5

IN THE NEWS

Daughter Lillian's Birth Announcement

The Toronto Star

Tuesday, September 2, 1919 pg. 17

GILLIES—On Sunday, Aug. 31, 1919, at Lyndhurst Hospital, to Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Campbell Gillies, nee Alma Victoria Upthegrove, a daughter. Alma Lillian

Obituary

The Globe and Mail

Monday, March 21, 1960, pg. 36

GILLIES, Ralph Campbell—Suddenly, at Toronto, on Thursday, March 17, 1960, Ralph Campbell Gillies, husband of Alma Victoria Uptegrove; father of Mrs Jack Seymour (Lillian) of Callfornia; Mrs. L. M. Eades (Glorya); grandfather of John Ralph Seymour; and brother of Jean Smelser. At the Chapel of Morley S. Bedford, 179 Eginton Ave. W., at Lascelles Blvd. Private family service on Monday. Interment Mount Pleasant Cemetery.