

SHANKS, TELFER STERLING

EARLY LIFE

Sep 4, 1897

Born in Kettleby, Ontario to Albert and Rebecca Lea (Somerville) Shanks. He was the younger brother of *Thomas Henry Shanks*.

1901 Census

Age 4

Lived in King Township, Ontario with Albert Shanks (head of house – father, age 36), Rebecca Shanks (mother, age 36), James Shanks (brother, age 10), Thomas Shanks (brother, age 6) and Orville Shanks (brother, age 2).

1911 Census

Age 14

Lived in Whitchurch, Ontario with Albert Shanks (head of house – father, age 46), Rebecca Shanks (mother, age 45), James Shanks (brother, age 10), Thomas Shanks (brother, age 16), Orville Shanks (brother, age 12), Elma Shanks (sister, age 9) and Albert Shanks (brother, age 5).

MILITARY SERVICE

May 11, 1918

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

Attestation

Paper

- **Number:** 3037415
- **Present address:** Kettleby, Ontario
- **Next of kin given:** Rebecca Shanks (Mother) in Kettleby, Ontario
- **Trade or calling:** Farmer
- **Married:** No
- **Previous military experience:** No
- **Religion:** Christian
- **Physical attributes:**
 - **Age:** 21 years, 8 months
 - **Height:** 5'10"
 - **Complexion:** Fair
 - **Eyes:** Blue
 - **Hair:** Dark

AFTER THE WAR

1921 Census

Age 24

Lived in King, Ontario with William Ramsden (head of house – age, 38) and Mary Ann Ramsden (William's mother, age 68).

Aug 3, 1921

Age 33

Married Emily Hills (age 34), daughter of John and Edith (Sabin) Dalson. Emily was a widow prior to her marriage to Telfer.

1964

Age 67

Telfer died in King, Ontario.

PHOTOS

The Shanks Brothers

Left to Right: Thomas (sitting in chair), James (standing), Telfer (centre) and Orville (chair).



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