

WELLS, JAMES PEARSON

EARLY LIFE

May 2, 1896

Born in King, Ontario to James Parnham and Alice Harriet (Smelzer) Wells.

1901 Census

Age 4

Lived in King, Ontario with James Wells (head of house – father, age 38), Alice Wells (mother, age 36), Berenice Wells (sister, age 12), Marjory Wells (sister, age 6) and Edith Wells (sister, 8 months).

1911 Census

Age 15

Lived in King, Ontario with James Wells (head of house – father, age 48), Alice Wells (mother, age 46), Marjory Wells (sister, age 16), Edith Wells (sister, age 10) and Leigh Wells (sister, age 8).

MILITARY SERVICE

Apr 30, 1918

Drafted under Military Service, 1917, 69th Overseas Battery

**Attestation
Paper**

- **Number:** 3035857
- **Present address:** King, Ontario
- **Next of kin given:** Alice Wells (Mother) in King, Ontario
- **Trade or calling:** Farmer
- **Married:** No
- **Previous military experience:** No
- **Religion:** Presbyterian
- **Physical attributes:**
 - **Age:** 21 years, 11 months
 - **Height:** 6'0"
 - **Complexion:** Ruddy
 - **Eyes:** Blue
 - **Hair:** Brown
 - **Distinctive marks:** Scar caused by operation for hernia

AFTER THE WAR

1921 Census

Age 24

Lived in King, Ontario with James Wells (head of house – father, age 58), Alice Wells (mother, age 56), Marjory Wells (sister, age 26), Edith Wells (sister, age 20) and Leigh Wells (sister, age 18).

Mar 14, 1923

Age 24

Married Elsie Beatrice Viola Noble (age 28), daughter of George and Eleanor (Stone) Noble.

Mar 26, 1963

Age 66

James passed away.

MENTIONED IN ALICE FERGUSON'S REMINISCENCES OF EVERSLEY

Honour Roll 1914-1918

REMINISCENCES OF EVERSLEY, ONTARIO, King Township
by Alice A. Ferguson (1950)

On the walls of St Andrews Presbyterian Church at Eversley hang two Honour Rolls of the boys who took part in both Wars.. How well I remember we would meet every week to fill boxes of food and things for these boys, sew them up in cotton and send them off. Rev Robert Brydon was minister at this time with dear old Dr. Carmichael assisting. He had retired after 50 years of service to the Tawse Manse House next to the Church. For 50 years he had lived at Strange, in the house that the congregation had built for him when he came to St Andrews Church in 1860 as the assisting minister to Rev John Tawse whose health was failing.

The Sunday School was flourishing and the Young People's Society and the Church Services were well attended every Sunday. All members of the families would attend divine worship, sometimes two pews were allotted to one family.

1914-1918 Roll of Honour

Pte Harper F. Wells	Pte Henry S Ferguson
Pte Alex McDonald	Pte Fred Hope
Lieu Jas. T Jenkins	Pte Leonard Ferguson
Pte Melville Mitchell	Pte Leslie Hope
Corp T Harry Bovair	Pte Harvey Gellatly
Pte Septimus Ball	Pte J. Pearson Wells
Pte Norman Lloyd	Pte Cecil L. Wells
Pte Roger Gellatly	Pte Lorne Mitchell
Lieu Walter S Jenkins	Pte Arwood Cairns
Lieu Roy Wells	Pte Lindsey Ferguson
Pte Wm Cairns	Pte Arthur Bovair
Pte Alfred Hurst	