

Obituary

Jack Alger dies in Guelph hospital

A former resident of Acton with a distinguished war record had died in St. Joseph's hospital, Guelph, on September 26.

Warrant officer Jack Harold Alger had been in ill health for some time. He lived in Guelph. He was born in London, England in 1901, and was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Alger. In 1906, he came to Canada. Mr. Alger attended schools in Acton before getting married in Winnipeg in 1926. He is retired from the Guelph Correctional Centre where he was a Lieutenant.

Mr. Alger was predeceased by his parents and wife. He is survived by a brother William, Niagara On the Lake, and sisters Catherine, Mrs. Frank Williams, Toronto, and Winifred, Mrs. E. Johnston, Stroud.

Mr. Alger joined the Lorne Scots in 1939 and served in the Eighth Army in Italy and North Africa. He was honorably discharged in 1945 with the rank of Warrant Officer I, Regimental Sergeant-Major.

He earned and was issued the following medals; The Bronze Star, 1939-1945; The Bronze Star, Italy; The Bronze Star, France and Germany; King George VI, silver medal; King George VI, silver medal with Oak Leaf; Canada, 1939-1945 (Voluntary) silver medal; The Lorne Scots Medal; King George V and Queen Mary silver medal was issued to him commemorating the occasion when he was one of five Canadians chosen for Honor Guard to their Majesties.

The following Distinguished Service Dispatch was treasured by Mr. Alger; "By the King's order, the name of Warrant Officer I (R.S.M.) Jack Harold Alger, Royal Canadian Army Service Corps, was published in the London Gazette on 4th April, 1946, as mentioned in a dispatch for Distinguished Service I am charged to record His Majesty's high appreciation" J.J. Lawson, Secretary of State for War.

Funeral service was held at Shoemaker Funeral Home on September 29 with the Rev. Ewing officiating. Interment at Fairview Cemetery.



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C.W. Lucas dies at home Oct. 2

Funeral service was held October 5 for Clarence Wellington Lucas who died at his home at 84 Mill St. on October 2. He had been ill for three months.

Born in April 28, 1898 in Camden Township, Kent County, England, he was the son of Richard and Tilly Lucas. He had one sister, Norma Handsor, who predeceased him in 1947. He attended Chatham township area schools and was a past employee of Cal-Dale Estates.

Mr. Lucas is survived by a daughter Irene, of the U.S.A. and stepson Allen of Brampton. He was the guardian of Ted and Hope Emery, and uncle of Charles and Wilfred Handsor, Mrs. Jean Funn, Mrs. Mildred Ladd and Mrs. Betty Prestage, who all survive him. He also had three grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

The Rev. Das Sydney of Acton Baptist church officiated at the funeral. Interment at Fairview Cemetery. Pallbearers were Norman David, Albert David, Stanley David, Doug Foster, Albert Hicks and Rick Fyle.

Children are preparing for Hallowe'en, which falls on a Monday this year.

Symposium on history

Early settlements in Ontario provide the theme for the University of Guelph's Second Annual Symposium on The Agricultural History of Ontario. Scheduled for Saturday, October 22, the symposium will be held on campus in the University's Physical Sciences building.

Like last year's initial seminar on The Agricultural History of Ontario, this symposium should attract history buffs and folks interested in agriculture. Participants will include members of provincial historical societies, libraries and museums, officials from the Ontario ministry of agriculture and food, geography and history people from various colleges and universities, and of course those with a general interest in Ontario's agricultural history.

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