Name: Armstrong, James Harvey  
Rank: Pte  
Service Number: 803226

The son of Mr William Armstrong of Strathroy, and a clerk, attested in A Company of the 135th Btn on the 28th of July 1916 at Strathroy. He, as the Strathroy Age phrased it, died on his way to the Great War. He succumbed to pneumonia in Halifax on the 28th of August 1916. His body was returned to Strathroy and a large funeral, attended by his work mates from Rochester NY, was held at his parent’s home. He is also buried in Strathroy Cemetery.

SERVICE RECORD

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| 28 July 1916 | Attested in 135th Btn at Strathroy Ontario  
|             | Born 25 Dec 1893 - 22 years old, Strathroy On. Next of kin William Armstrong Strathroy ON, upholster salesman, no previous military experience  
|             | 5’7” tall, Fair Complexion with blue eyes and light brown hair. Presbyterian  |
| 6 Aug 1916  | Makes out will leaving his estate to his mother  
| 21 Aug 1916  | To Station Hospital Halifax – pneumonia  
| 28 Aug 1916  | Died Station Hospital Halifax  
| 28 Aug 1916  | Casualty form – sent off strength deceased  
|             | Medal card – M & D P&S to Father Wm Armstrong of Strathroy ON  
|             | Memorial Cross – to mother Mrs. Wm Armstrong Strathroy ON                   |
1. What is your name? 
   Answer: James Harvey Armstrong

2. In what Town, Township or Parish, and in what Country were you born? 
   Answer: Herbert, Summer Co.

3. What is the name of your next-of-kin? 
   Answer: William Armstrong

4. What is the address of your next-of-kin? 
   Answer: Shillong, Assam

5. What is the date of your birth? 
   Answer: Dec 26, 1893

6. What is your Trade or Calling? 
   Answer: Labourer

7. Are you married? 
   Answer: No

8. Are you willing to be vaccinated or re-vaccinated? 
   Answer: Yes

9. Do you now belong to the Active Militia? 
   Answer: No

10. Have you ever served in any Military Force? 
    If so, state particulars of former service. 
    Answer: No

11. Do you understand the nature and terms of your engagement? 
    Answer: Yes

12. Are you willing to be attested to serve in the Canadian Over-Seas Expeditionary Force? 
    Answer: Yes

(Signature of Recruit)

DECLARATION TO BE MADE BY MAN ON ATTESTATION.

I, James Harvey Armstrong, do solemnly declare that the above answers made by me to the above questions are true, and that I am willing to fulfill the engagements by me now made, and hereby engage and agree to serve in the Canadian Over-Seas Expeditionary Force, and to be attached to any arm of the service therein, for the term of one year, or during the war now existing between Great Britain and Germany should that war last longer than one year, and for six months after the termination of that war provided His Majesty should so long require my services, or until legally discharged.

(Signature of Recruit)

Date: July 28, 1916

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY MAN ON ATTESTATION.

I, James Harvey Armstrong, do make oath, that I will be faithful and bear true Allegiance to His Majesty, the King George the Fifth, His Heirs and Successors, and that I will as in duty bound, and faithfully defend His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, in Person, Crown and Dignity, against all enemies, and will observe and obey all orders of His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, and of all the Generals and Officers set over me. So help me God.

(Signature of Recruit)

Date: July 28, 1916

CERTIFICATE OF MAGISTRATE.

The Recruit above-named was cautioned by me that if he made any false answer to any of the above questions he would be liable to be punished as provided in the Army Act.

The above questions were then read to the Recruit in my presence.

I have taken care that he understands each question, and that his answer to each question has been duly entered as replied to, and the said Recruit has made and signed the declaration and taken the oath before me, at, Shillong this 28th day of July, 1916.

(Signature of Justice)

I certify that the above is a true copy of the Attestation of the above-named Recruit.

(Authority)

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Description of James Harvey Armstrong Enlistment.

Apparent Age: 22 years, 8 months.  
Distinctive marks, and marks indicating congenital peculiarities or previous disease.

Height: 5 ft 7 in.  
Girth when fully expanded: 37 in.  
Range of expansion: 14 in.

Complexion: Fair  
Eyes: Blue  
Hair: Light Brown

Religious denominations:
- Church of England
- Presbyterian
- Babylians
- Wesleyan
- Reformed Congregationalist
- Other Protestant
- Roman Catholic

CERTIFICATE OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION.

I have examined the above-named Recruit and find that he does not present any of the causes of rejection specified in the Regulations for Army Medical Services.

He can see at the required distance with either eye; his heart and lungs are healthy; he has the free use of his joints and limbs, and he declares that he is not subject to the use of any description.

I consider him fit for the Canadian Overseas Expeditionary Force.

Date: July 29, 1916  
Place: Camp #1  
CHW Dougall Capt.  
Medical Officer

"Insert here "F" or "M".

Note.—Should the Medical Officer consider the Recruit unfit, he will fill in the foregoing Certificate only in the case of those who have been attested, and will briefly state below the cause of unfitness.

CERTIFICATE OF OFFICER COMMANDING UNIT.

James Harvey Armstrong having been finally approved and inspected by me this day, and his Name, Age, Date of Attestation, and every prescribed particular having been recorded, I certify that I am satisfied with the correctness of this Attestation.

Date: July 29, 1916  
Signature of Officer
ARMSTRONG, Pte. J. H., #803226, 135th Bn.

M. & D. (Father) Wm. Armstrong, Strathroy, Ont.
P. & S. " Ditto.
Mem. C. (Mother) Mrs. Wm. Armstrong, " "

Canada only
Reg. No. 303226  Name: Armstrong J.
Rank: Art  Corps: 135 M  Age: 27  Service: 7
Ledger No. 1403  Serial No.

HOSPITALS  DATE  DIAGNOSIS
Station Hos. Halifax  21-8-16  Aneurmonia 6
Died  28-8-16

Surname: Armstrong
Christian Names: James Harvey
Reg. No.: 303226  Rank: Art
Unit: 135 M  Former Corps: Art

Next of Kin: Armstrong Milliam
Relationship to Soldier: R.N.S.
Address: Strathroy, Ont.

Country of Birth: Canada  Place of Attestation: Strathroy, Ont.
Date: Dec 26, 1893  Date: July 28, 1916

L.L. 3698  M.B. 682
M.F.W. 22  3086-2-16  H.Q. 1773-5-38
**Casualty Form—Active Service.**

**Regimental No.** 803226  
**Rank.** Plt  
**Name.** Armstrong J.P.

**Enlisted (a).** 28716  
**Terms of Service (a).** Boizwar  
**Date of promotion to present rank.**  
**Date of appointment to lance rank.**  
**Numerical position on roll of N. C. O.s.**

**Extended.**  
**Re-engaged.**  
**Qualification (b).**

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*In the case of a man who has re-engaged for or enlisted into Section D, Army Reserve, particulars of such re-engagement or enlistment will be entered.*

*Per Signal, Medical Staff, 1916, 1917, also special qualifications in various Corps taken.*
FORM OF WILL.

I, James Harvey Armstrong (Name in full)
Regimental Number 150526 serving in Com. A, 135th Batt. C.E.F.
of the Canadian Expeditionary Force, do hereby revoke all former Wills by me
made and declare this to be my last Will.

I bequeath all my real estate unto

Mrs. H. M. Armstrong
Strathroy Cert. Can.

Name and Address
of person or
persons to whom
it is to go.

absolutely, and my personal estate I bequeath to

Mrs. H. M. Armstrong
Strathroy Cert. Can.

Name and Address
of person or
persons to receive
personal estate*
(See note).

Sole Executor

IMPORTANT NOTE
This must be signed and dated by
THE SOLDIER HIMSELF.

this 28th day of August A.D. 1916

Signature of Soldier.

*N.B.—Personal estate includes pay, effects, money in bank, insurance policy, in fact everything
except real estate.

Signed and acknowledged by the Testator as and for his last Will in the presence
of us both present at the same time, who in his presence, at his request, and in
the presence of each other have hereunto subscribed our names as Witnesses.

Signature of First Witness

Address of Witness

Occupation of Witness

Signature of Second Witness

Address of Witness

Occupation of Witness
CWGC - ARMSTRONG, JAMES HARVEY Private 803226 28/08/1916 22 Canadian Infantry Canadian Lot W half.
1. STRATHROY CEMETERY

Strathroy Cemetery
Survey 1892, Lot 4
Grave 1