

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

<i>Date</i>	<i>Particulars</i>
28 July 1916	Attested in 135 th 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

135th O. S. Battalion, C. E. F.
ATTESTATION PAPER.

TRIPPLICATE

No. 803226

DEPT
 MILITIA & DEFENCE

CANADIAN OVER-SEAS EXPEDITIONARY FORCE.

FEB -5 1917

QUESTIONS TO BE PUT BEFORE ATTESTATION.

H.Q. 299-4-2847
 CANADA

(ANSWERS)

1. What is your name? *James Harvey Armstrong*
2. In what Town, Township or Parish, and in what Country were you born? *Herwood Middlesex Co. Ont*
3. What is the name of your next-of-kin? *William Armstrong*
4. What is the address of your next-of-kin? *Shahroy Ont.*
5. What is the date of your birth? *Dec 26 1893*
6. What is your Trade or Calling? *Apprentice Salesman*
7. Are you married? *No*
8. Are you willing to be vaccinated or re-vaccinated? *yes*
9. Do you now belong to the Active Militia? *No*
10. Have you ever served in any Military Force? If so, state particulars of former Service. *No*
11. Do you understand the nature and terms of your engagement? *No*
12. Are you willing to be attested to serve in the CANADIAN OVER-SEAS EXPEDITIONARY FORCE? *yes*

James Harvey Armstrong (Signature of Man).
C. M. Douglas Capt. (Signature of Witness).

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 fulfil the engagements by me now made, and I 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.

James Harvey Armstrong (Signature of Recruit)

Date *July 28* 1916 *C. M. Douglas Capt.* (Signature of Witness)

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 King George the Fifth, His Heirs and Successors, and that I will as in duty bound honestly 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.

James H. Armstrong (Signature of Recruit)

Date *July 28* 1916 *C. M. Douglas Capt.* (Signature of Witness)

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 *Shahroy* this *28* day of *July* 1916

A. B. Robson (Signature of Justice)

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

B. Robson Lt. Col. (Approving Officer)

Description of James Harvey Armstrong Enlistment.

Apparent Age 22 years 8 months.
(To be determined according to the instructions given in the Regulations for Army Medical Services.)

Distinctive marks, and marks indicating congenital peculiarities or previous disease.

Should the Medical Officer be of opinion that the recruit has served before, he will, unless the man acknowledges in any previous service, attach a slip to this effect, for the information of the Approving Officer.

Height 5 ft 7 ins.
 Chest measurement:
 (Girth when fully expanded) 37 ins.
 Range of expansion 4 ins.

Brown discoloration in apices of both arms

Complexion Fair
 Eyes Blue
 Hair Light Brown

Religious denominations:
 Church of England
 Presbyterian Presbyterian
 Wesleyan
 Baptist or Congregationalist
 Other Protestants
(Denomination to be stated.)
 Roman Catholic
 Jewish

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 fits of any description.

I consider him fit for the Canadian Over-Seas Expeditionary Force.

Date July 29 1916 C.W. Douglass Capt.
 Place Smethway Barr O.C. 70 F.M.
Medical Officer.

*Insert here "fit" or "unfit".
 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.

B. Peterson Lt. Col. (Signature of Officer)

Date July 29 1916

H.Q. 649-A-1693.

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

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Reg. No. 803206 Name Armstrong J.
 Rank Plt Corps 135-M Age 22 Service 12
 Ledger No. 1403 Serial No.

HOSPITALS	DATE	DIAGNOSIS
Station Hos. Halifax	21-8-16	Pneumonia
<u>Died</u>	28-8-16	

SURNAME. Armstrong CARD NO. V. 8
 CHRISTIAN NAMES James Harvey FOLL.
 REG. NO. 803226 RANK Pte
 UNIT 135-M Br
 FORMER CORPS Nid

NEXT OF KIN.
 NAMES IN FULL Armstrong William CHANGE OF ADDRESS
 RELATIONSHIP TO SOLDIER R.N.S.
 ADDRESS Strathroy, Ont

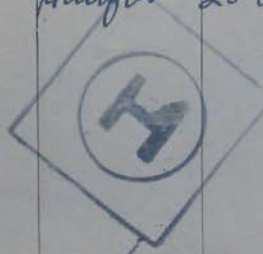
COUNTRY OF BIRTH Canada Thorwood N. Ont DATE Dec 25th 1893
 PLACE OF ATTESTATION Strathroy Ont DATE July 28th 1916
 L. L. 94504. M. & D. 6512. M. F. W. 22. 250M.-2-16. H. Q. 1773-39-33A.

Fill in only.—Unit, Number, Rank and Name.

Casualty Form—Active Service.

Unit, Regiment or Corps 135 Pbn
 Regimental No. 803226 Rank Pfc Name Armstrong J. H.
 Enlisted (a) 28-7-16 Terms of Service (a) Dofwar Service reckons from (a) _____
 Date of promotion to } Date of appointment } Numerical position on }
 present rank } to lance rank } roll of N. C. Os. }
 Extended _____ Re-engaged _____ Qualification (b) _____

Report		Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, etc., during active service, as reported on Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case	Place	Date	Remarks taken from Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or other official documents
Date	From whom received				
	<u>Cas mDb</u>	<u>Sgt Deceased</u>	<u>Halifax</u>	<u>28-8-16</u>	<u>HQ 649-A-1693</u> <u>folio 40.</u>



Edwards
for DofR

1. 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.
 2. e.g. Signaller, Shoeing Smith, etc., etc., also special qualifications in technical Corps duties. (P.T.O.)

135th O.S. MIDDLESEX
ORDERLY ROOM
BATTALION, C.E.F.

135th O.S. Battalion, C.E.F.

FORM OF WILL.

I, James Harvey Armstrong (Name in full)
Regimental Number 80 3226 serving in Com. Co. 135th Bat. 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. Wm. Armstrong
Strathroy Ontario Can.

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

absolutely, and my personal estate I bequeath to

Mrs. Wm. Armstrong
Strathroy Ont. Can.

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

Sole Executrix

**IMPORTANT
NOTE**
This must be Signed
and Dated by
**THE SOLDIER
HIMSELF.**

this 6th day of August A. D. 191 6

James Harvey Armstrong 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 A. B. M. G. G. G.

Address of Witness Strathroy Ontario

Occupation of Witness Soldier

Signature of Second Witness W. A. Campbell, Lieut.

Address of Witness Strathroy Ont

Occupation of Witness Lieut. 135th Batt. C.E.F.

THE TWO
WITNESSES
MUST
SIGN HERE

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

Strathroy Cemetery
Survey 1892, Lot 4
Grave 1





PTE. JAMES H. ARMSTRONG
OF A. CO. 157th INFANTRY
BATTALION C.O. 2d P.
DIED IN MILITARY HOSPITAL
HALIFAX N.S. AUG. 25th 1918
AGED 22 YRS. 2 MRS.

ARMSTRONG



ARMSTRONG
JAMES H. ARMSTRONG
DIED AUGUST 25, 1918
AGED 22 YEARS 2 MONTHS



ARMSTRONG