

# George Main

**Service Number:** 124141

**Rank:** Lance Corporal

**Branch:** 70th and 39th Battalion

**Year Served:** 1916

**Summary:** George Main died of wounds received “somewhere in France” on the 16th of Jan 1917. He had worked as furniture finisher for Dymond-Colonial Furniture Company and attested in the 70th Btn in London on the 18 Oct 1915. He had previously been wounded by a gun shot to his right eye. He was laid to rest in Louez Military Cemetery Duisans France. His memory is fixed on a tablet in St John the Evangelist

**Name:** George Main

**Birth Date:** October 21, 1888

**Relatives:** Father - Henry Main. Mother - Mary Main

**Address:** Strathroy, ON

**Attestation Date:** October 18, 1915

**Death Date:** January 16, 1917

**Burial Site:** Louez Military Cemetery, Duisans, France





Ad Gloriam Dei et  
In Memoriam

L. Corp. George Main  
No. 124141.

Soldier and Saint  
5th Canadian Mounted Rifles B.E.F.  
SON OF

Henry and Mary Main  
Born at Strathroy, Oct. 21st, 1888;  
Killed in Action in France,  
Jan. 16th, 1917.

His Commanding Officer wrote.

"Many a long march and many a weary night,  
Were shortened and brightened by his words and life."

<i><b>Date</b></i>	<i><b>Particulars</b></i>
<b>18 Oct 1915</b>	Card – 124141 Pte Main, George 5 <sup>th</sup> CMR ( <i>Canadian Mounted Rifles</i> ) Theatre of War – France, Date of Service 17 July 1916, Latest address – Henry Main (father) Strathroy ON, RED D Furniture finisher Attested 70 <sup>th</sup> Btn London ON, born 21 Oct 1888, no previous military experience
<b>26 Apr 1916</b>	Medical 5' 7 ½ " 140 lbs, Dark complexion, blue eyes, brown hair, Church of England, clear medical, Embarked from Halifax NS
<b>5 May 1916</b>	Arrived Liverpool England aboard SS Lapland
<b>6 July 1916</b>	TOS ( <i>Taken on Strength</i> ) 39 <sup>th</sup> Btn Shorncliffe
<b>18 July 1916</b>	TOS 5 <sup>th</sup> CMR from 39 <sup>th</sup> Btn in the field
<b>4 Oct 1916</b>	Admitted to No 4 Field Ambulance Depot Gun shot wound to right eye
<b>9 Oct 1916</b>	Rejoined regiment
<b>27 Oct 1916</b>	Appointed Lance Corporal in the field
<b>16 Jan 1917</b>	28 <sup>th</sup> Field ambulance - Died of wounds received in action
<b>undated</b>	Medal Card - Main, George L Cpl, 124141 5 <sup>th</sup> CMR
	Medals and Decorations – Father Henry Main Strathroy ON
	Plaque and Scroll – father as above
	Cross of Sacrifice – Mother Mary Main as above

**Attestation Paper:**



## ATTESTATION PAPER.

CANADIAN OVER-SEAS EXPEDITIONARY FORCE.

ORIGINAL

No. *C*  
Folio. *124/111*  
*121181*

### QUESTIONS TO BE PUT BEFORE ATTESTATION.

(ANSWERS).

1. What is your surname? *Main*
- 1a. What are your Christian names? *George*
- 1b. What is your present address? *Cor. Base Line and Ridout St. ~~London~~*  
*London, Ont.*
2. In what Town, Township or Parish, and in what Country were you born? *Strathroy, Ontario*
3. What is the name of your next-of-kin? *Harry Main*
4. What is the address of your next-of-kin? *Strathroy, Ontario Canada*
- 4a. What is the relationship of your next-of-kin? *Father*
5. What is the date of your birth? *Oct. 21. 1888*
6. What is your Trade or Calling? *Furniture Finisher*
7. Are you married? *No*
8. Are you willing to be vaccinated or re-vaccinated and inoculated? *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? *Yes*
12. Are you willing to be attested to serve in the  
CANADIAN OVER-SEAS EXPEDITIONARY FORCE? *Yes*

### DECLARATION TO BE MADE BY MAN ON ATTESTATION.

I, *George Main*, do solemnly declare that the above are answers made by me to the above questions and that they 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.

Date. *Oct. 18* 1915 *George Main* (Signature of Recruit)  
*George Main* (Signature of Witness)

### OATH TO BE TAKEN BY MAN ON ATTESTATION.

I, *George Main*, 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.

Date. *Oct. 18* 1915 *George Main* (Signature of Recruit)  
*George Main* (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 *London, Ont.* this *18th* day of *October* 1915.

*W. H. H. H.* (Signature of Justice)



NAME		M. Q. FILE No. 649-	
RANK AND CORPS		REG'TL No. 124141	
CABLE		NATURE OF CASUALTY	
NO.	DATE		
04659	13-11-16	Adm. by No. 4 Fld. Amb. Depot Oct. 4 <sup>th</sup> 1916 Llew. Eye ✓	
05695 W.S.M.	3-12-16	Rejoined regiment Oct. 9 <sup>th</sup> 1916	
08191	29-1-17	Died of wounds no 28 Field Ambulance Jan 16 <sup>th</sup> 1917 (Nature of wounds not reported yet) ✓	
A.F.B. 2090A	26-1-17	Died of wounds rec'd in action France or Belgium. Rec'd 21-3-17	

L. L. Job 87318-M, & D. 6106

M. F. W. 49-22m-10-25  
H. Q. 1772-30-69A

LIST No.	HOSPITAL	DATE OF ADMISSION	REMARKS
1250	No 4 Can. Fld Amb	4-10-16	Llew. Rt Eye.
1257	Rep From Base Rejoined Unit.	9-10-16	" " "
1300	28 <sup>th</sup> Fld Amb.	16-1-17	Died of wounds.
1314	Rank should read L/Cpl		



Name MAIN George Rank ~~PRV~~ LANCE / CORPL. Reg. No. 124141

Unit 5th C.M.R.

Next of Kin Canada

P.L. 25-16-3884

Date	Movement	Place	Casualty	List No.	Notified N/K O.	W.O. List
1916						
Oct. 4.	No. 4 Can. Field Amb.		GSW. R. Eye A250		04679	
Oct. 9.	Rejoined Unit		(do.) A257.		13-11	11/11
16. 1. 17.	Reported from Base: -					
	<u>Died of Wounds.</u>		Rec'd in action 1. 3. 17.		8/17	30. 1. 17.
	Decemata re Change of Rank.			1. 3/14.	19. 1. 17.	

