

FIVEASH George Ernest
Gunner
Royal Canadian Artillery
6th Anti-Tank Regiment
A/61751



PERSONAL INFORMATION

George Ernest Fiveash was born 16 September, 1919 in St. Thomas, Ontario, the son of Charles and Mary. George was one of a large family and had eight brothers and three sisters.

He left school aged sixteen after ten years, without a diploma and went to work on a farm as a tractor driver. He enjoyed the work and liked to play basketball in his free time.

After he joined the army he married Kathleen Mary Fiveash on 2 September, 1942.

MILITARY INFORMATION

On 20 May, 1941 George enlisted in the Canadian Army in Chatham, Ontario and went to Petawa where he was placed with Battery. Artillery Unit 2/A/A in Victoria. In Spring 1942 he transferred to the 11th Battery Artillery Unit. He was sent to England 22 December, 1943 where he completed his training as a gunner. On 10 September, 1944 George landed in France and on reaching the Netherlands in early November joined the Royal Canadian artillery as a gunner.

George was killed in fighting on 30 November, 1944 and a day later was buried in the Jonkerbos Military Cemetery, Nijmegen. At a later date he was reburied in the Canadian Military Cemetery, Groesbeek. Grave refence **III. B. 5.**

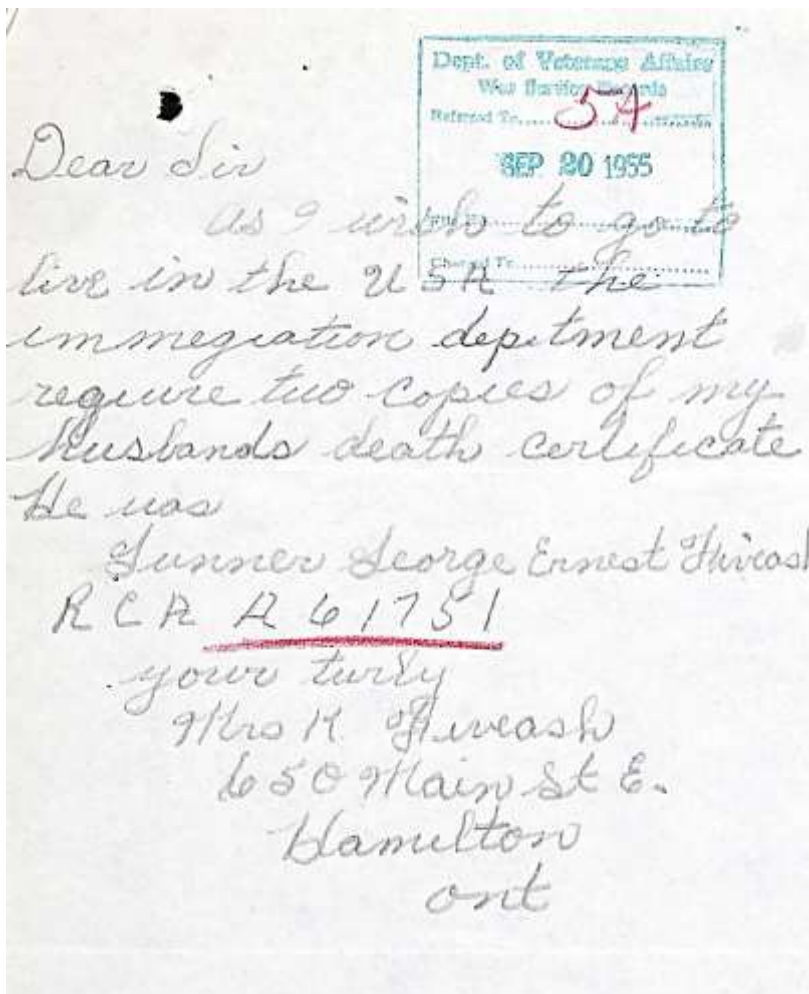
No. A.61751 Rank Gunner Name FIVEASH, George Ernest
 Unit R.C.A. Date of death 30th Nov., 1944.
 Died at Holland
 Cause Died of wounds received in action
 Death occurred on strength of Forces H.Q. 405-F-13356
 N/K Mrs. Kathleen M. Fiveash Relationship Wife
 Address 37 THIRD ST. 378 Park St. E., Chatham, Ont.
 Remains buried in Holland 2 Cdn corps Yonkersbosch Cemetery
E690595 sheet 55
 Grave location P-2 R-1 G-7

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Inscription on gravestone chosen by the family:

ONLY GOOD NIGHT BELOVED
 NOT FAREWELL
 UNTILL WE MEET AGAIN
 BEFORE HIS THRONE





In September 1955, his widow Kathleen Mary wished to emigrate to USA and contacted the Department of Defence in order to obtain necessary certificates.



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GEORGE FIVEASH DIES OF WOUNDS

St. Thomas Soldier Meets His Death on Holland Front

Gunner George Ernest Fiveash, St. Thomas young man who went overseas a year ago, died of wounds



received in action with the Canadian Forces in Holland November 13, according to word received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Fiveash, 116 Gravel Road, city. The official word was sent to Gunner Fiveash's young wife, Mrs. Kathleen Five-

ash, who resides in Chatham, and she telegraphed the sad news to her husband's parents.

Born in St. Thomas in 1919, Gunner Fiveash enlisted with the Canadian Army in 1941, getting his basic training at No. 12 Basic Training Centre, Chatham, Ont., and training later at Petawawa and at Debert, N. S. He served in Canada until last December when he went overseas with his artillery unit.

Although the message says Gunner Fiveash died of wounds on November 13, Mrs. Fiveash, his mother, received only Wednesday an airmail letter written by her son and dated November 23. The word of his death coming so soon after his letter was naturally a severe shock to his parents. Surviving are his wife, the former Kathleen McIntyre of Chatham; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Fiveash, 116 Gravel Road; eight brothers and nine sisters. Two brothers are in the Canadian Army. They are Private Charles S. Fiveash at Camp Borden, and Private H. F. Fiveash with the Perth Regiment in Italy. Mrs. E. Cottrell of Ridgetown is a sister. There are six younger brothers and two sisters at home with the parents.

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