

MOVOLD, GILBERT

Sapper

Royal Canadian Engineers

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In memory of Sapper Gilbert Movold, Hay Lakes, Alberta, 1906-1945

Gilbert was born August 4th 1906 in Camrose, Alberta, Canada. His father, Ole Movold, immigrated to the USA from Norway, along with his parents and the rest of the family, in 1868. The family settled in the Dalton and Fosston areas of Minnesota. In 1892 Gilbert's family moved to a homestead in the Armena area of central Alberta.

Gilbert, nicknamed 'Shorty', and his twin brother Clifford were born in 1906 and were the youngest of the eleven children born to Ole and his wife Gea Grue Movold. Growing up, Gilbert attended rural schools in the area and he spent much of his youth helping on his brother's farms. He later went to British Columbia where he worked in the gold mine at Little Rock. Gilbert never married.

He enrolled in the Canadian Army in Vancouver in November 1942. Sapper Gilbert Movold was a member of the Corps of Royal Canadian Engineers and served in the 1st Engineers Stores Section.

Gilbert was fatally injured in a vehicle accident in Holland on May 6, 1945, just one day after liberation day. He was nearing his 39th birthday.

His relatives now reside in Alberta, British Columbia and Ontario.

Gilbert was the son of Ole Tobiasson and Gea Grue Movold, of Hay Lakes, Alberta. Brother of Martin, Clifford (twin of Gilbert), William, Arthur, Oscar, Galena, Inga and half-brother of Tommy.

Sapper Gilbert Movold is buried in the Groesbeek Canadian War Cemetery in The Netherlands, Plot: II. A. 4 having earned the following medals: 1939-45 Star, France & Germany Star, War Medal 1939-45, Defence Medal, Canadian Volunteer Service Medal and Clasp. He is one of ten men who are memorialized on the Hay Lakes Community War Memorial on the main street of this small rural community.

Loved in life. Remembered in death. Treasured in memory as one of the best.

Grave Reference **II. A. 4.**



Memories about his father's brother recorded by Rodney Movold for Faces To Graves.