

Pte William Marshall

Born: March 16th, 1884 in Yorkshire, England and came to Canada in 1912

Deceased: October 1, 1916 - France

Military Service: Service Number: 158643

Force: Army

Unit: 4th Canadian Mounted Rifles (2nd Central Ontario Regt.)



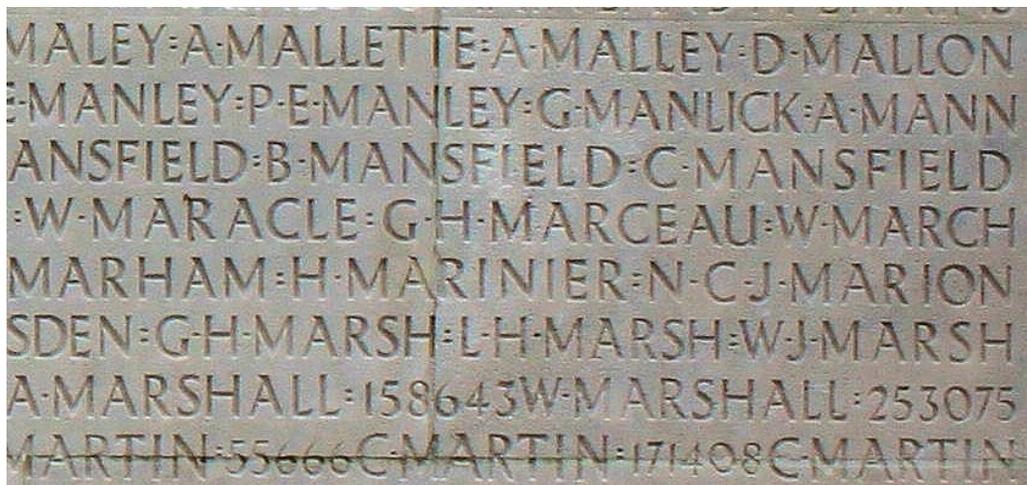
Bio - Information provided by the Grandson of William Marshall

My grandfather's name was Pte. William Marshall (service number 158643). He was KIA whilst taking part in an attack at the Hessian and Regina trenches near Courcelette during the onset of the Battle of Ancre Heights in France during WW1 on Oct 1, 1916 by an enemy high explosive. His body was never recovered for burial. His service started out with the 19th Regiment of St. Catharines, Ontario (now the Lincoln and Welland). He became part of the CEF and was attached to the 4th CMR. He is memorialized at the Vimy Ridge Monument as well as on a plaque in front of City hall in St. Catharines. He was born on March 16th, 1884 in Yorkshire, England and came to Canada in 1912 working as a sheet metal worker. William left behind a wife Harriet Ann as well as two sons, John and Harry (my father).

Interestingly enough before we knew of William's story through research my wife and I met at the very regiment that started both our journeys, the Lincoln and Welland Regiment. We had our military wedding on April 21st. 1990 and I like to think that he somehow had a hand in it!

"My wife and I both thought a tree would be a fitting tribute to his contribution and a great way for our future generations to know his story."

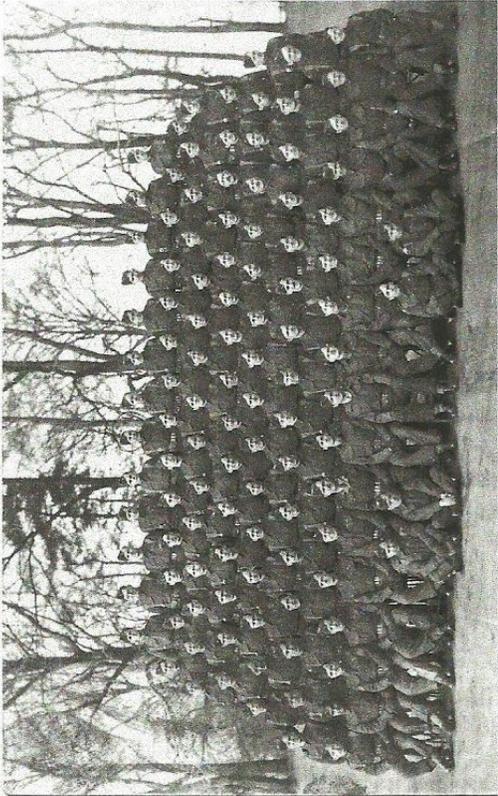
- Richard Marshall, Grandson of Pte William Marshall




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I join with my grateful people
in sending you this memorial
of a brave life given for others
in the Great War.

George R. S.





We are proud to say that one of the 117,000 trees that will be planted as part of the Highway of Heroes Living Tribute will represent the sacrifice that Pte William Marshall made to serve and protect Canada.