

# INTRODUCTION

to the  
index of death notices, obituaries, In Memoriams and estate notices  
published in the Fort William Daily Times-Journal 1900 - 1919

This alphabetical index was created to provide an easy reference for researchers seeking family information, biographical sources and estate files of individuals. The references were extracted from microfilm between March 2007 and April 2008.

These references are in most cases the first published notice. Researchers are urged to search forward about a week or two in the newspaper on microfilm from the date the death notice or obituary was published to find references to inquest cases or cards of thanks notices, as these are not included here. When variations in spellings of names were found, both variations were usually entered.

In the time period of this database, death notices were not published for every person who died in the district. There were many news reports of men killed in industrial accidents such as the C.N.R. construction, however, names were not always included.

If references about an individual are not found here or the Port Arthur Daily News/News-Chronicle, please consult the Ontario Death Indexes and Registrations at the LDS Thunder Bay Family History Centre or at [www.Ancestry.com](http://www.Ancestry.com) available at Brodie Library. The Thunder Bay Branch of the Ontario Genealogical Society has published cemetery headstone transcriptions which are available at Brodie Library and the Northern Studies Resource Centre at Lakehead University.

Obituaries are not always factual. Use them as a guide to further research and always try to cross-reference from multiple sources for accuracy. We apologize for any transcription or data entry errors or omissions in this index. Please inform us of any errors so we can update the index.

This is a volunteer project. If you would like to assist with indexing other decades please contact me at the number or e-mail below.

Good luck with your searches.

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### TERMS USED IN THIS INDEX

In order to conserve space in the data fields some short forms have been used. If information was not stated, n/a (not available) was used. If any information was difficult to decipher or the microfilm quality was poor, a question mark was used with the reference.

Common:

- s/o = son of
- d/o = daughter of
- c/o = child of
- f/o = father of
- m/o = mother of
- FW = Fort William
- PA = Port Arthur

Military:

- KIA = Killed In Action
- 52<sup>nd</sup> = 52<sup>nd</sup> Battalion – Formed in Port Arthur
- Col. = Colonel
- Lt.-Col.= Lieutenant-Colonel
- Lt. = Lieutenant
- Fl-Lt. = Flight Lieutenant
- Maj. = Major
- Capt. = Captain
- Sgt. = Sergeant
- Cpl. = Corporal
- Pte. = Private

### NEWSPAPER HISTORY

The Fort William Daily Times-Journal merged with the Port Arthur News-Chronicle in 1972 to become the Times-News and Chronicle-Journal. For a more detailed history of the local newspapers, read A History of Fort William and Port Arthur Newspapers From 1875 by George B. MacGillivray (1968). Copies are available at the Thunder Bay Public Library.