

# DILIGENT RIVER Remembrance Day Service



The weather was warm and sunny on November 9th as Diligent River held its annual Remembrance Day Service. Pictured above are: Cadet Corey Merriam; Legion member June Campbell placing wreath and Veteran Layton Yorke who officiated at the ceremonies. (Gale Boland Photo)

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By Gale Boland

The following wreaths were placed during the Diligent River Remembrance Day service held on Sunday, Nov. 9th, 2014: Royal Canadian Legion Branch 45 placed by Pres. Arthur Yorke; Community of Diligent River by Eric McCully; Municipality of Cumberland by Councillor Donnie Fletcher.

Wreaths laid in memory of deceased veterans: Clifford Allen by Ronnie Allen; Ronald Bowden by Legion member; Kenneth Colpitts by Legion member; Ronald Colpitts by Michael Burton; Harris Graham by Harriet McWhirter; Richard & Derrick Lamb by Nancy McPhee; William Manuge by Legion member; Duncan MacLeod by Marjorie Crossman; Garnet McLellan by Bill McLellan; Alex & Robert Salter by Eric Himelman; Alex & Robert Salter by Lorraine Maskill; Ronald Smith by Ron Forbes; Leo Tibbetts by Jason & Jaielyn Boyde; Austin, Carson & Hubert Yorke by Leoda Varner and Basil & Lorway Yorke by Ruth Ann Terfry.



The Diligent River War Memorial was unveiled on November 4th, 2012 following fund raising efforts by a local community. Shown above is the wreaths laid at a Remembrance Day Service held on November 9, 2014. (Gale Boland Photo)

# WENTWORTH Remembrance Day Service



It was a fine day and many wreaths were laid while a large crowd gathered at the Cenotaph in Wentworth. (L. Wilson Photo)



Bob Smith served in the RCAF for 32 years, including three years for NATO in France and six months at the Golan Heights, attends the Remembrance Day Ceremony at the Wentworth Cenotaph. (Hope Bridgewater Photo)



Melanie Sprague, during the Remembrance Day Ceremony at the Wentworth Cenotaph, lays a wreath in memory of her great-grandfather, Hersel Stewart, who served in World War II. (Hope Bridgewater Photo)



Carol Hyslop lays a wreath on behalf of the Wentworth Old Valley Schoolhouse during the Remembrance Day Ceremony at the Wentworth Cenotaph. (Hope Bridgewater Photo)

## A Prayer For Peace

(Just Love God)

Where there is darkness  
One can still find light.  
Where there is death  
One can still find life.

Where there is hate  
One can still find love.  
Where there is doubt  
One can still find HOPE.

Where there is weakness  
One can still find strength.  
Where there is a frown  
One can still find a smile.  
Where there is god  
One can still find faith.

Most of all though:  
Where there is war  
One can still find peace!

God bless and thank-you  
Thomas A. Marshall (Ex-Navy)

## Flags Honour Veterans

By Maurice Rees

Due to several unfortunate events 2014 has seen a substantial increased turn-out for Remembrance Day Services and people are searching for new ways to honour veterans. In this short article, I felt compelled to let readers know what has happened in my hometown of Woodstock, NB.

This year was the first year of a project to start creating Remembrance Flags for local area veterans. This year they had nine flags hanging on lamp posts along Main Street in front of the Court House, Cenotaph and down the next block.

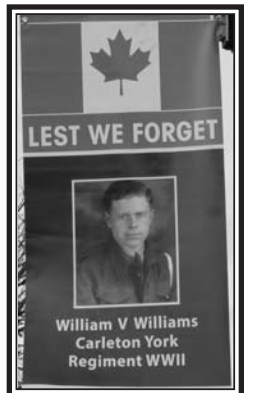
My younger sister, Gloria, sent along the photo attached to this article. She had several reasons for doing so, but perhaps the main reason was one of the flags was of our Uncle Billy Williams. He was married to our father's youngest sister. This particular flag hung directly in front of the Court House on Main Street, Woodstock.

Although nice to see what Woodstock residents did, but they are not the first. Apparently the town of St. George, NB (Pop: 1550) started with this program last year with 38 flags, growing to 120 flags up for Remembrance Day celebrations. The program is under the direction of the Robert Melanson, St George Branch, Royal Canadian Legion.

Last week, I spoke with Mr Melanson who developed the idea from a similar initiative he observed last year in Pennsylvania. He developed the idea and

last year the first phase of erecting the banners on utility poles included 22 local veterans. Soon a second installation was necessary with an additional 16 banners erected bringing the total to 38 in 2013. This year they were up to 120 banners and have orders for more. He is sending a package with complete data including the design of the banner holders which are permanently mounted to utility poles.

If any group is interested in starting a similar program, please contact Maurice Rees, publisher, 902-647-2968, and I'll get the details including design of the holders and cost of the individual banners.



This flag was one of nine flags hung on lamp posts in Woodstock, NB. William V. Williams, who served in the Carleton York Regiment World War II, was an uncle of Maurice Rees, Publisher. St George, NB has operated a similar program in 2013 and 2014 and now hangs approximately 120 flags each November with orders for more. (Gloria Foster Photo).



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