



Private Frank J. Hickey

1882 - 1919

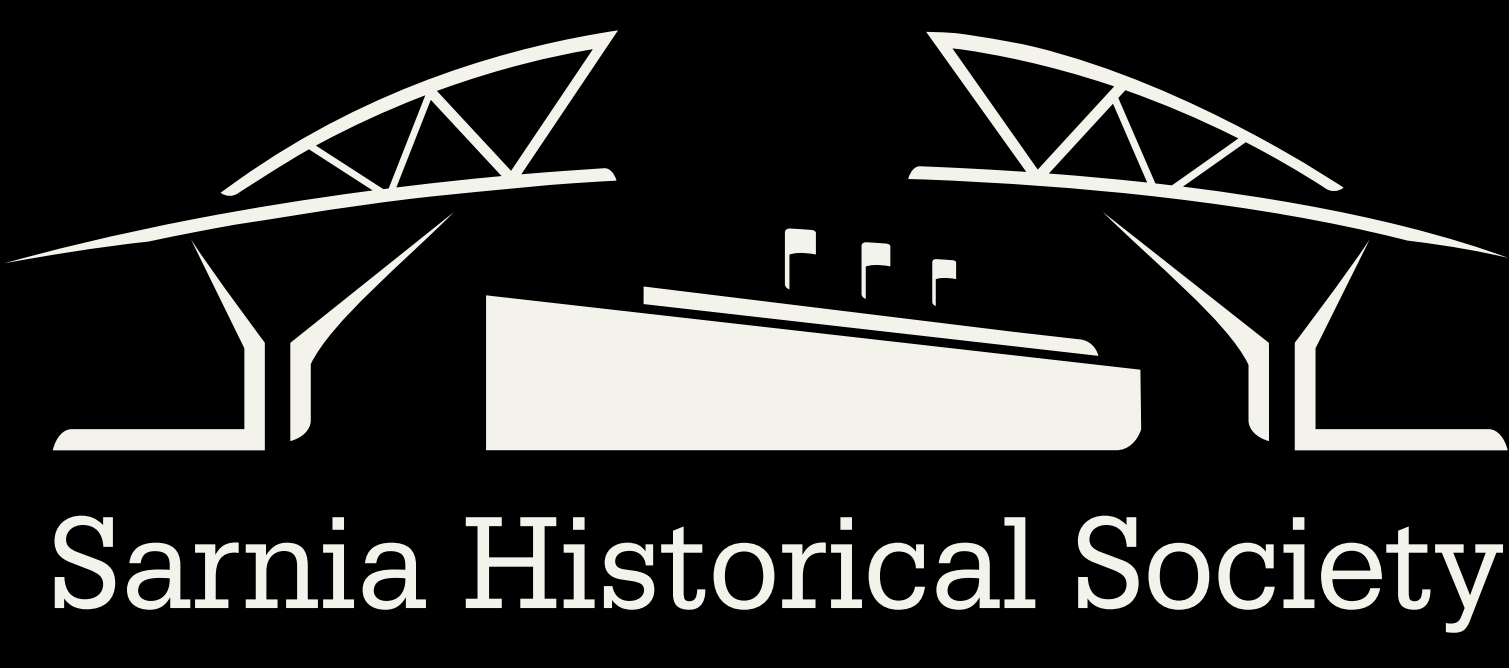
FIRST WORLD WAR

Army: Canadian Infantry, 1st Battalion

Frank was born in Clifford, Ontario in 1882, the eldest son of James and Bridget Hickey. The Hickey's had five children together. Along with his father and a brother, Frank was working in his late teens, with the railway as a labourer and brakeman in Colchester. By 1911, the Hickey family had moved to Sarnia. In January 1915, single and working as a railway switchman, thirty-two-year-old Frank Hickey enlisted in Sarnia. He arrived in England in June 1915 and in France in August 1915.

Three months later, in late November 1915, Private Hickey of the 1st Battalion was wounded in action by a bullet. The wound to his right hand also led to septic poisoning and the loss of a finger. He was treated in England and was returned to Canada and Sarnia in August 1917. One year later, in August 1918, he married Irish born Sarah Jane Patterson in London. The Armistice ending the Great War was signed on November 11, 1918. In September 1919,

Frank Hickey, 37, passed away in Windsor. His death was due to nephritis, the result of his service. His funeral was held in Sarnia and he is buried in OLM Cemetery, Sarnia.



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