

Private Albert Stewart Pringle

1881 - 1918 FIRST WORLD WAR

Army: Canadian Infantry, 47th Battalion

Albert was born in Sarnia in 1881, the youngest child of William and Sarah Jane Pringle. William and Sarah had six children together. Raised and educated in Sarnia, Albert, 26, was living in Detroit and was employed as a timekeeper when he married Elizabeth Marie Block in 1907. Albert and Elizabeth had six children together. In February 1918, Albert, now thirty-six and a pipefitter, left behind his wife and children and enlisted in London. He recorded that he had two years of prior military experience with the 27th Regiment in Sarnia.

He arrived in England in April 1918 and in France in mid-August 1918 as a member of the 47th Battalion. He was soon taking part in the Hundred Days Campaign, the "beginning of the end" of the Great War. It was during the third offensive of this Campaign, the Battle of Canal-du-Nord and Cambrai in France that he was killed in action.

On September 27, 1918, Private Albert Pringle, while taking part in an advance from North West of Moeuvres to Bourlon Wood, he was instantly killed by an enemy shell. Albert Pringle, 37, is buried in Quarry Wood Cemetery, Pas de Calais, France. Six weeks after his death, the Armistice agreement was signed, ending the Great War.



