

Denault Alderic G. W.

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The Roman Catholic family of John Denault, who had married his 15 years younger bride Francaise in 1917 at the age of 31, had a lot of children. Alderic was the firstborn, after him 16 more children were born, 4 of whom died young. Alderic was born on March 18, 1918 in Fort Coulonge, Quebec, he was educated up to grade 5 and went to work in the flour industry at an early age. On April 24, 1940, he married Yvonne Denault. The marriage was blessed with 2 daughters Liliane (1941) and Antonia Helene (1943).

The French and English speaking Alderic enlisted in the Army in April 1944. The training officer judged him as a simple but stable personality who worked hard in training and showed a wide range of interests. In January 1945 he was sent to the United Kingdom and on April 8 to the front. He was assigned to the Lincoln & Welland Regiment, which was engaged in the final phase of the liberation advance in Western Europe. His combat commitment is short-lived. On 23 April he was seriously wounded during the attack on Oldenburg (D). The injury is fatal, he dies that same day and is first temporarily buried at a school in Oldenburg, later at the temporary cemetery in Friesoythe (D). On March 11, 1946 he was finally reburied at the Canadian cemetery in Holten, his grave is in plot 7 row E grave 14.

There is no portrait photo of Alderic, only a 1940 wedding photo of Alderic and Yvonne.

