Lance/Bombardier Arthur George FLIEGER
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Afthur Flieger was born on May 28, 1915 in Chatham, New Brunswick. Arthur was the son of Stanley Smith and Ethel Flieger Flieger. Arthur grew up in a large Protestant family together with four brothers and two sisters. After primary he has been two years to the secondary school , after which he went to work at age 18. In his spare time Arthur was active in sports. He did skating, fishing, skiing, hockey, baseball and softball. Arthur Flieger enlisted on March 18, 1940 in the Canadian Army. Before enlistment he worked seven years as a longshoreman at the Port of Newcastle, New Brunswick. Arthur Flieger went to Europe with the 6th Field Regiment Royal Canadian Artillery. Arthur Flieger participated in the landings in Normandy and fought in Holland and Germany. During his stay after V–Day in Germany, George Arthur Flieger passed away due to a ruptured appendix on 9 July 1945. Arthur Flieger was temporarily buried in a Canadian cemetery in Wilhelmshaven, Germany. In 1946 his body was transferred to Holten.

Arthur George Flieger was 30 years old and attained the rank of Lance Bombardier. Arthur Flieger had light brown hair, blue eyes and was about 1.70 meters long. At the time of his death he had a lighter, pocket knife, small flashlight, German and French notes, a leather wallet, a hairbrush, a legion card and a pair of clogs. The wooden shoes he had bought in the Netherlands to take to Canada as a souvenir.