



Cyril was born on April 27, 1924, in Windsor, Ontario, the son of Reginald Albert and Matilda Caroline March. His parents returned to England with their children in 1928 and settled in Kenton, Harrow, Middlesex. One of his two sisters returned to Canada in 1940, but died there shortly afterwards from a fatal infection. At that time, Cyril also wanted to return to Canada to travel the world, but he first finished high school and obtained a grade 10 diploma. He began training as a toolmaker at British Thompson Houston Co. In his spare time, he enjoyed swimming, boxing, ice skating, and cycling.

Because he did not like the work, he enlisted in the Canadian Army in London, England, on March 3, 1945. Cyril then joined the Canadian occupation army in Germany on May 31, 1945. He was assigned to the

Royal Canadian Armored Corps.

Cyril died just over a year later, on Wednesday, July 31, 1946, from serious injuries sustained in a traffic accident involving a truck near Oldenburg in northwestern Germany. He was driving a truck that was being towed. As they approached a Bailey bridge, the towed truck veered to the side of the road and hit the end of the bridgehead. The collision with the bridge sections was so violent that the cab became detached from the truck's chassis. Cyril, then 22 years old, was fatally injured. At the time, his parents were in Canada visiting the grave of their daughter, who had died and been buried there.

Cyril was first temporarily buried in Greven, Germany, before being reburied in Holten on August 2, 1946.

On his gravestone: TREASURED MEMORIES, SWEETEST EVER, OF HAPPY TIMES WE ALL SPENT TOGETHER

His mother was awarded The Memorial Bar in February 1947.

His medals are: War Medal 1939-45; CVSM & Clas

