

## **Corporal Reginald Alastair SHEPHERD 03-B-04**

Alastair Reginald Shepherd was born on June 13, 1913 in Sunderland, England. Reginald was the son of C. F. Corbett and was a member of the Anglican Church. At the age of 19 Reginald's father died. After the death of his father in 1923, he emigrated with his family to Canada. In Canada, he moved to Victoria, British Columbia. After the loss of his father in England, Reginald lost his brother. Shepherd's brother was in 1940 killed overseas in battle. Reginald had not only setbacks in his life. He turned out to be a good student and soon went to study at the University of Manitoba. In 1937 he graduated and then he had several different jobs. In addition to his studies and work Reginald Shepherd had lot of hobbies. He liked to read and he collected photos. His favourite books were fiction and non-fiction stories, biographies or history books and above all adventure stories. He was also active in sport. He liked fishing or playing tennis, although he was not active since High School. Reginald Shepherd was described by friends as a mature and wise person who likes to do good in life. In response to the death of his brother in 1940, he has given him up for military service and was assigned to the Royal Canadian Army Medical Corps (RCAMC). In 1943, he switched to the infantry, where he was assigned to The North Shore Regiment. With this regiment he came to Europe to take part in the fight for the liberation of Western Europe. Alastair Reginald Shepherd has taken part in several battles in Western Europe. On April 5, 1945 Reginald Shepherd died in action from his injuries in the battle at the Twente Canal. After he was killed in battle, he was

temporarily was buried in Almen, in the front yard of the house "The Elger ". For his bravery and sense of duty Alastair Reginald Shepherd received a medal along with only 15 other soldiers from North Shore Regiment.

Reginald Shepherd was 31 years old. He reached the rank of corporal.

