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Russell (Roy) Shier of Weldon Saskatchewan. Was the son of John Russel and Eliza J. Shier. Roy was born at Oxbow on August 27 1924. He was the sixth child of Russell and Eliza Shier. In Candiff Saskatchewan on August 27. The family consisted of 14 siblings.

He was educated at Camduff and at Glen Mary, north of Kinistino. Russell Roy Marshall, known as Marshall because his father's name was Russell. Marshall was a quiet responsible man. He joined the army as jobs were very scarce and he wanted help out at home.

He was farming when he enlisted at Regina on July 29 1942 with the British Columbia Regiment and trained as a wireless operator in a tank.

He doesn't have much of a history because he died so young. Roy was killed during the final thrust into the northwestern of Germany on May 2 1945 at the age of twenty. Building crystal radio's as a hobby it was no surprise he was doing communication in a tank when hit by a German shell. He was popular in his regiment, good natured and a hard worker. He had a nice name. They called him Zeke.

Honouring Saskatchewan soldiers after the second world war all the Saskatchewan soldiers from W.W. 2 who died overseas by naming lakes and islands in northern Saskatchewan with their last names to honour them for their sacrifice to Canada.

Shier Island in the Selwyn Lake Saskatchewan was named after him.

A plaque was placed on the island by a private individual who was hired by the family to do this. 1924 and died on May 2 1945

