

James was born on July 26 July 1923 as the son of Percy Ovida Sloan (1894 - 1957) and Inez Gix Sloan (1895 -1997). He had one brother Lorne Richard (10).

He had done three years the High School and he was an office clerk at the Toronto Ship Building Co. His hobbies were: rugby and basketball at the High School and reading travel books and current affairs. He was still actively interested in sports. His religion: The United Church.

James enlisted on November 19 1942 and went overseas to the UK in August 1943 for his training as a paratrooper and achieved his brevet on October 18 1943. He served three years in Europe. He was wounded on June 6 1944.

He jumped on March 24 1945 in Germany and was killed in action there on March 30 at the age of 21 and was temporarily buried in Greven (Germany), This was reported

by chaplain John Gwinnett of the 9 Para Bn. James was reburied on August 7 1946 in Holten.

His Medals were:

39-45 Star; France-Germany Star; Defence Medal; War Medal; CVASM & Clasp

