

Pte Ford Hilton Spidle

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Ford was born on January 26 1912 in Parkdale, Lunenburg Co., Nova Scotia as the son of Stephen (deceased in 1936) and Minnie Spidle (English), of Parkdale. They were married on July 2 1896 in Maplewood Nova Scotia. His brother was Wilfred Spidle and his sisters were Vera Grimm nee Spidle, Ina Pagan nee Spidle, Hilda Wray nee Spidle and Marie Faulkenham nee Spidle.

He was a farmer and lumberman and member of the Baptist Church.

He enlisted on June 6 1941 in Halifax Nova Scotia and he went on November 12 1941 overseas to the UK and thereafter on March 26 1944 to Italy and then he embarked after that on February 21 1945 in France.

He was killed in action on Tuesday May 1 1945 age 33 during the battle of the Delfzijl Pocket and he was then temporarily buried in Wirdum, Groningen and he was reburied on February 16 1946 in Holten.

At his headstone: NEVER WILL YOUR MEMORY FADE: THOUGH DEATH DIVIDES FOND MEMORY CLINGS

His medals were: His medals were: 1939-45 Star; Italy Star; Defence Medal; War Medal 1939-45; CVSM & Clasp.

He served with the Cape Breton Highlanders.

