

## **Trp CECIL EDWARD SWITZER, 6-F-3**

Cecil was born on August 31 1921 as the son of William Wesley and Margaret A. Switzer, of Fisher Branch, Manitoba.

Brother: Wesley Switzer and sisters: Lotty May Scott, Myrtle Bell Barron, Dorothy Ellen Mathew and Madeline Patricia Switzer.

His profession was a farmer and religion: Church of England

He enlisted on July 8 1941 the 12th Manitoba Dragoons, R.C.A.C. 18th Armd. Car Regt. He went to France as a driver mechanic on July 12 1944 and was wounded on August 12 1944 on both legs and hospitalized in the UK till January 1945.

He got on April 3 1945 permission from his commander to marry Pte Harriet Eleanor Henderson after May 21 1945.

He died of wounds on April 20 1945 at the age of 23 in Germany of second degree burns covering large surface of body. He was considered with another trooper negligent in using an unauthorized type of petrol fire for warming some water on a jerrycan.

He was temporarily buried in Friesoythe Germany.

Medals:

1938-45 Star, France-Germany Star, Defense Medal, War Medal 1939-45, CVSM & Clasp.

