

Temple Leslie P.C. Gunner 3rd Anti-Tank Regiment Royal Canadian Artillery **11 F 16**



Leslie was the son of John and Katherine Temple. He was born on March 19, 1922. He received his education at Oakshella Public and High School (Saskatchewan). Prior to enlistment he operated the home farm for three years. Leslie had two brothers, Alvin and Bud, and two sisters, Lillian and Jean. While on the farm we spent summer holidays helping out. We had many good times but as Leslie would remind us (often) "I'm the boss". He was a good brother.

Leslie enlisted for active service on March 12, 1941. He was killed in action April 13, 1945 on the western front with a group of soldiers attacking a farm house with German soldiers inside. Leslie is buried at the Holten Canadian War Cemetery, Overijssel, Netherlands (plot XI – row F – grave 16).

His decorations or awards: War Medal 39-45; C.V.S.M. & Clasp; Defence of Britain Medal; France, Germany Star; 39-45 Star. On March 6, 1952 the Government of Saskatchewan named "Temple Lake" in remembrance of Leslie (Lat. 59° 29' Long. 106° 33').

Leslie's brother, Alvin, served during WWII with the Royal Winnipeg Rifles. Leslie was able to find Alvin three times after D-Day. Their last meeting was in Belgium. They had some good times and were glad to see each other. Alvin was wounded on February 21, 1945 in Hochwald Forest in northern Holland.

Submitted by his Sister Lillian Temple

