

Guardsman John R. WINFREY 707-E-10

Sad news was received at the home of Mr. William and Mrs. Annie Winfrey of Groundbirch (BC) that their son Gdsm J.R. Winfrey, had

been fatally wounded while serving in Germany. He died the same day as he was wounded April 24, 1945. The news office received a picture of Winfrey last week from the Canadian Army Overseas, photo taken on April 9th showing him in a dug-out under a Sherman tank near Emmerich, Germany, writing a letter to his family. This may have been the last letter he wrote them for it was received by the family on Saturday and the sad news of his death arrived on the following Thursday.



Gdsm. Winfrey enlisted in 1941. He was sent overseas in 1942. After training in England he was returned to Canada as an instructor at Camp Borden. He then went overseas again in January 1945 and served in Belgium, Holland and Germany. He served with the Canadian Grenadier Guards. He was 24 years old and was born in Calgary. He went to school in Groundbirch (BC) and received his high school education in Dawson Creek (BC). One other member of his family is serving with the armed forces, Shirley, who is stationed in Victoria with the WACS. The sympathy of the district goes out to the Winfrey family in this sad bereavement.

