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The first three seminars in our Summer Seminar Series have been held at Rocky's Place in Trinity and have been well received. Kris Drodge led the Memorial Day Ceremony in St. Paul's Churchyard on July 1st. There were about 100 people in attendance. The ceremony was very moving.

In this edition of our Newsletter, we present the story of Gordon Etheridge who is remembered on the War Monument in Champneys East.

As always, the THS welcomes application for membership from anyone interested in the objectives and activities of the Society.



Gordon Etheridge

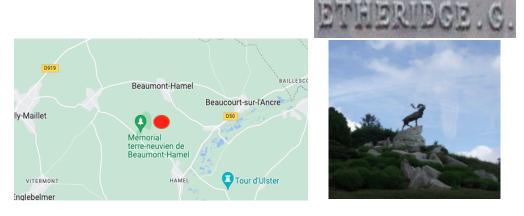


Gordon, the son of John Etheridge and Pricilla Batson, was born in Salmon Cove on June 2nd, 1892. He was a teacher before enlisting in the Newfoundland Regiment on September 28th, 1915. He was declared missing in action on July 1st, 1916. He was 24.



Family Tree

Gordon crossed the Atlantic onboard the liner Corsican and received military training in Scotland. He joined the regiment near Bonneville, France on April 4th, 1916. On July 1st, 1916 he was one of the 801 Newfoundlanders who went "over the top" at Beaumont-Hamel and he was later listed as missing in action. Only 68 regiment members answered the roll call the next morning. He has no known grave and is remembered on the Beaumont-Hamel Memorial, Beaumont-Hamel, France.



Death Location

Beaumont-Hamel Memorial