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Trinity Historical Society (THS) will introduce an audio tour of the Trinity Museum for the 2025 season. This tour will tell the stories of individuals and events from Trinity's past, such as the loss of the SS Lion. Step back into the past with this tour.

In this edition of our Newsletter, we present the story of William Nurse who is remembered on the War Monument in Champneys West.

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



## William Nurse



William Nurse, the son of William Nurse and Gracie Ann Penney, was born at Salmon Cove on January 28<sup>th</sup>, 1898. He enlisted in the Royal Newfoundland Regiment on April 28<sup>th</sup>, 1917. He was reported as missing in action on April 12<sup>th</sup>, 1918. He was 20.



**Family Tree** 

Upon enlistment, William traveled to Halifax onboard SS Florizel before embarking for England where he underwent military training. He joined the regiment at Monchy-au-Bois, France on November 14<sup>th</sup>, 1917. The regiment was fighting near Nieppe, France when he went missing. His name appeared on a German list of names provided to the Red Cross dated July 1<sup>st</sup>, 1918. The information provided indicated that his remains had been discovered and buried by the Germans at Bailleul, near Nieppe, on April 20<sup>th</sup>, 1918. He was then declared killed in action. He is remembered on the Beaumont-Hamel Memorial, Beaumont-Hamel, France.



**Death Location** 



**Beaumont-Hamel Memorial** 

