

WILLIAM VICTOR WYLDES

Private, 29th (Vancouver) Battalion, Canadian Infantry (British Columbia Regiment), 6th Brigade, 2nd (Canadian) Division

William Victor Wyldes was born at Walworth, London in 1882. His father, also named William Victor was from Stratford-on-Avon and his mother was Frances Amelia Wyldes nee Breach.

William Victor junior was their first child and they had another son and two daughters, but one of the girls died as a child. The father was a lecturer in psychology.

Young Victor was born in London, but lived in Stratford during the 1880s and the family were in Nechells, Birmingham by 1891. After that his mother, but not the rest of the family, came to Ettington. In 1901 she was a domestic servant at The Sycamores and in 1911 she was at Rose Cottage, Banbury Road, drawing a small annuity and earning money as a seamstress.

It seems that Victor and perhaps the rest of the family went to Canada sometime in the 1890s, as we have no record for them after 1891 until Victor's enlistment on 17th August 1915, at Vernon, British Columbia, in the Canadian Infantry.

He was killed in action during the Battle of Thiepval, Tuesday 26th September 1916. and is commemorated at the Adamac Military Cemetery, Miraumont, Somme, France

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