

RCAF Maurice Ivan Longfield 1917-2000



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Maurice was born in Ingersoll in 1917 to parents Preston & Margaret Longfield. After attending Victory Memorial School he went to Ingersoll Collegiate Institute to Grade XII. It was the time of the Great Depression and jobs were hard to find. He became a machinist at the John Morrow Company until I943 when he enlisted. Maurice joined the Royal Canadian Air Force and was stationed at Manning Depot, Toronto, Trained as Crash Crew/Firefighter, he went overseas and for two years was stationed at bases in Yorkshire, from where Canadian bombers would fly to the Continent. Maurice married Jessie Clayton in Ingersoll in I939. When he returned home he trained as a brick layer and worked at that trade for some time. He then welcomed the opportunity to work in Jack Douglas' Paint and Wallpaper business on Thames Street. While working there he also free lanced as a photographer for the London Free Press and the Ingersoll Tribune. He was known to almost everyone in Ingersoll. RCAF Maurice Ivan Longfield passed away in 2000, he rests in Ingersoll Rural Cemetery.

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