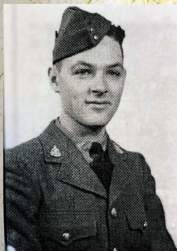


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**Corporal
Willard Meredith Walker
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Corporal Willard Meredith Walker

Willard Meredith Walker was born in Walkerton. He moved to Ingersoll with his parents P. T. and Gladys Walker, in 1934, when he was 11 years old. He attended Victory Memorial Public School and IDCI. After taking one year of apprenticeship with his dad in the funeral business in 1941, Meredith joined the army. He enlisted in London, in 1942, with the Royal Canadian Ordnance Corps. In 1944 he was shipped overseas, from Windsor, Nova Scotia to England. He remained there until the end of the war. Cpl. Meredith Walker was discharged in London, in 1945, and came back to Ingersoll where he has lived ever since. He took the second year of his apprenticeship in the funeral business in Toronto. He worked with his dad for about 15 years, living over the funeral home. He opted to leave the funeral business and work in the family furniture business. He enjoyed working with his dad there as well, until the fire of June 1991 destroyed that building along with other businesses. In 1947 Meredith married Eleanor Henderson, they have three children. Meredith was an accomplished fastball catcher. He played ball, often h against his brother-in-law and good friend, Nip Henderson. Corporal Willard Meredith Walker passed away in 2019, he rests in Ingersoll Rural Cemetery.

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