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**Lieutenant  
Frederick Henry Wurker  
1909-1993**



## Address

### **A Hero Lived Here**

108 Cherry Street

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## Lieutenant Frederick Henry Wurker

Fred was born in Ingersoll and, except for the time he served in the Army, lived all his life here. He attended Ward School, Victory Memorial School and Ingersoll Collegiate Institute. He was well established in his own business as a talented letter designer and sign painter when he enlisted in the Royal Canadian Army. Lieutenant Wurker was attached to the Oxford Rifles. He was appointed to train recruits and also escorted prisoners of war across the country. At the end of World War II Fred resumed his sign business. He was a town councilor for several years. He was also an active member of St. James' Anglican Church. Fred was also well known and enjoyed as a successful orchestra leader. He played at several venues across South Western Ontario, including London and Windsor. During an appearance in Windsor, in front of Guy Lombardo's orchestra, Guy Lombardo was so impressed with his talent that he presented Fred with a baton. Fred and his wife Erma (Markham) had one son, Dale. Lieutenant Frederick Henry Wurker passed away in 1993, he rests in Ingersoll Rural Cemetery.

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