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Private Hugh Gordon Ross

Pte. Hugh Gordon Ross, son of **Alfred Scott Ross** and **Marion Par Greig**, was born on 9 Sep 1896 in Pakenham, Ontario. He was the oldest of 5 children. By the 1911 Census, the family had moved to Cobden where his father was the CPR agent.¹

Pte. Ross enlisted on Nov 13, 1915 at Montreal. He was 5' 11", weighed 140 lbs., had brown



eyes and dark brown hair. It was noted that he had worked as a drug clerk and had 2 years of training in the cadet corp. He was 19 years, 2 months old.

Pte. Ross served in the 73rd Battalion, "D" Company, 14th Platoon, Royal Highlanders of Canada with the Survey Section.² There are several very informative websites on the type of work that was done by the Royal Highlanders.^{6,7,8}

Pte. Ross was admitted to the Bramshott Military Hospital, partway through his military service, on July 7, 1917 for a left inguinal hernia repair and discharged Sep 6, 1916. He was admitted to 44 Casualty Clearing Station on Jan 22, 1919 with influenza. Five days later he was transferred to No. 14 General Hospital at Wimereux, dangerously ill. Pte. Ross died in hospital of influenza on 5 Feb 1919 at Wimereux, Pas de Calais, France aged 22 years and 5 months.²

Image 1: Pte. Hugh Gordon Ross⁷

He was buried in Wimille, Pas-de-Calais, France^{3,4,5}. He had served his country for 3 years and 2 months.



Image 2: Gravestone⁹

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