



# Owen Munro Clarkson

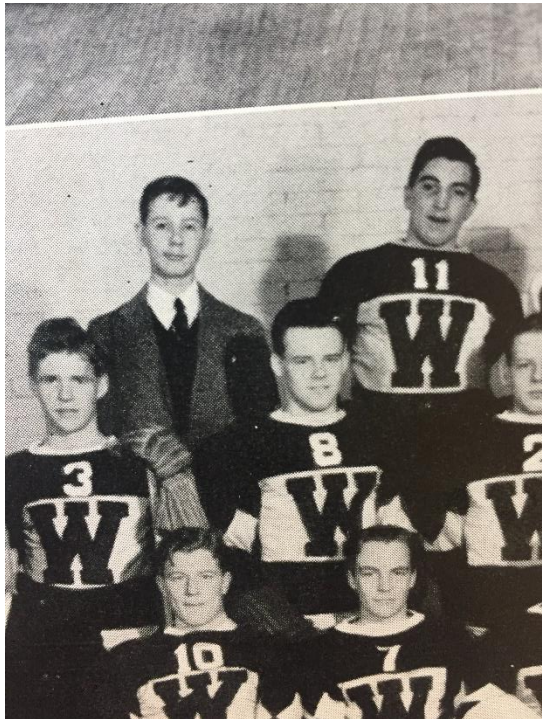

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## EARLY LIFE

Clarkson graduated from Westmount High School in 1941, at 19 years old. He was a very active student. He played on the senior Hockey team in 1940 and 41, the Tennis team in 1940, Football team, and class Baseball team, and his team always ended up being champions of that year.

Clarkson on the hockey team wearing #8. →

His quote used in the graduation was "Under the wide and starry sky, Dig the grave and let me lie".

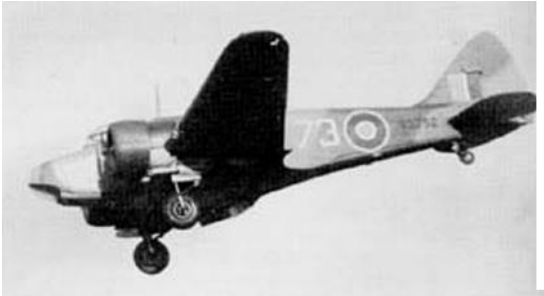
OWEN MUNRO CLARSON "O"  
 "Under the wide and starry sky,  
 Dig the grave and let me lie.  
 Fav. Exp.—"Wake me up when the  
 bell rings."  
 Pet Avers.—Work of any kind.  
 Pastime—Sleeping.  
 Ambition—To sell more than one  
 W. H. S. Magazine.  
 Prob. Dest.— ? ? ?  
 Activities—Sr. Hockey (Champs)  
 '40, '41; Sr. Tennis (Champs) '40;  
 Int. Football '40; Class Baseball  
 '40 (Champs); Sr. Hockey '41.

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World War II was the deadliest and most severe war in history. 50-80 million people died which was about 3% of the world's population in 1940. What really triggered the war was that on September 1, 1939, Hitler invaded Poland from the West, and two days later, France and Britain were at war with each other. In World War II, there were tank supports, soldiers on foot with guns, and pilots such as Owen Munro Carlson. Owen did not participate in the war that much because his plane did not have any sort of weaponry unless fighting other planes with weapons. Owen was a pilot who transported others to battle stations and delivered supplies. At the end of the war, the surrender of the Axis Power was stated which meant Britain and its allies agreed to surrender. This is how World War II ended. Hitler committed suicide after the war ended. (A week after the war ended).

Clarson was a flying officer during World War II. He was also the instructor for his crew in the Royal Canadian Air Force (R.C.A.F). He flew a Oxford LW903 which was a plane used to transport troops and supplies. The plane had no weaponry, so it was useless to fight during the war. He transported and delivered supplies to the battle stations. The cause of his death was when he picked up three of his crew members, and his last flight that we know of was to Faldingworth (a Village in England). The weather was the cause of his death too since it was a heavy storm and malfunctioned the plane.



←The plane he flew.

## Life After the War

Munro had a modest family, comprised of 1 brother, a mother and a father, who all served in World War II with an exception to his mother, Doris. Both Owen's brother, Pvt Rober Lindsay and his father Henry Clarson died after Owen's death in 1945, dying respectively in 1977 and 1958. These two were paired in the National Field of Honor in Pointe-Claire, together, but away from Owen, who was buried in Yorkshire, England.

The only living sibling I found of Clarson's was a woman named Bev Walkling. She is the cousin of Owen and like him, all past family participated in the war. She has provided us with a lot of information on her Twitter account due to her contributions to multiple websites. She currently resides in Ontario.

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