

KILLED IN FRANCE



**Albert Elbridge Sargent**



DATE OF BIRTH: 1923-06-03

AGE: 21

DATE OF DEATH: 1944-07-21

RANK: Gunner

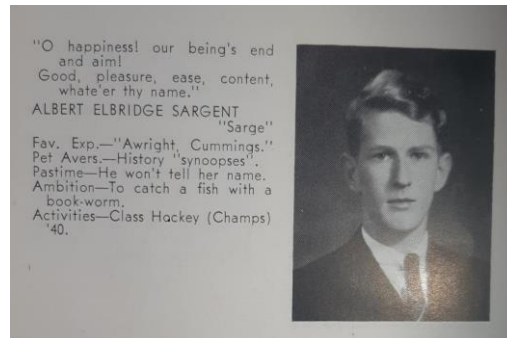
UNIT: Royal Canadian Artillery

FORCE: Army

SERVICE NUMBER:  
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Albert Elbridge Sargent was born the son of Albert Elbridge Sargent and Rosalie Julia Burbidge Sargent, in Montreal, Province of Quebec. Albert was the younger brother of Walter Gordon who passed in 1927.

He was educated at Westmount High School and spent two years studying engineering at McGill.



"O happiness! our being's end  
and aim!  
Good, pleasure, ease, content,  
whate'er thy name."  
ALBERT ELBRIDGE SARGENT  
"Sarge"  
Fav. Exp.—"Awright, Cummings."  
Pet Avers.—History "synopses".  
Pastime—He won't tell her name.  
Ambition—To catch a fish with a  
book-worm.  
Activities—Class Hockey (Champs)  
'40.

Enlisting on his 19<sup>th</sup> birthday as a gunner for the R.C.A. He trained for ten weeks at Lauden Farm, Ontario. He chose to defer his officer training for three months so he could be deployed to France with his unit.

**GNR. ALBERT ELBRIDGE SARGENT**, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Sargent, of 4875 Victoria avenue, who was killed in action in France on July 21 while serving with a Royal Canadian Artillery regiment, according to word received here by his parents. Prior to going to France he had asked for and had obtained a three month deferment from officers training school so that he could go into action with his unit. Educated at Westmount High School he spent two years in engineering at McGill prior to enlisting on his 19th birthday in May of last year as a gunner with the R.C.A. Completing 10 weeks training at Lauden Farm, Ont., he proceeded overseas last September to complete his training and went into France early this month.

His parents were informed that he was killed in action in France, according to the obituary released by the Montreal Star on July 28<sup>th</sup>, 1944. His remains were buried in the Bretteville Sur-Laize Canadian War Cemetery in Calvados, France. The Canadian forces buried in this cemetery, died in the latter part of the Battle of



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Normandy. There are approximately 3,000 Allied forces casualties buried in this cemetery.



Canadian Virtual War Memorial. "In Memory of: Gunner Albert Elbridge Sargent." *Gunner Albert Elbridge Sargent*, Government of Canada-Canadian Virtual War Memorial, 20 Sept. 2022, <https://www.veterans.gc.ca/eng/remembrance/memorials/canadian-virtual-war-memorial/detail/2335494?Albert%20Elbridge%20Sargent>.

*ALBERT ELBRIDGE SARGENT*, Library and Archives Canada, 30 Aug. 2022, <https://www.bac-lac.gc.ca/eng/discover/military-heritage/second-world-war/second-world-war-dead-1939-1947/Pages/item.aspx?IdNumber=31465&>.  
*Albert Elbridge Sargent Jr.*, <https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/143320904/albert-elbridge-sargent>.