

1997, at Vancouver, where he was born April 19, 1925. He joined the Force on August 15, 1950, at Nanaimo, when the BCPP, where he had been serving since September 30, 1947, amalgamated with the RCMP. Thompson was posted to "E" Division, British Columbia, and served at Duncan, Lake Cowichan, Colwood, Williams Lake and University Detachment. He was subsequently transferred to the following locations: in September 1965, to "O" Division, Ontario, at Toronto; in September 1970, to HQ; in January 1970, to "E" Division, at Vancouver, retiring on October 14, 1980. He was promoted to corporal December 1, 1954; sergeant November 1, 1959; sergeant major February 2, 1966; sub-inspector July 1, 1967; inspector July 12, 1969; superintendent June 4, 1978.

**WALLACE** Reg. No. 10705, ex-Sgt. Alexander Wallace, 87, died December 2, 1996, at Midland, Ontario. He was born May 26, 1909, at New Pitstigo, Scotland, and joined the Force September 29, 1926, at Regina. Upon completion of training at "Depot," Wallace was posted to "D" Division, Manitoba, and served at Winnipeg, Fort William, Port Arthur, Brandon, Snowflake and Gladstone. On August 31, 1938, he was transferred to "A" Division, Ontario, at Ottawa, and retired November 23, 1950. Wallace was promoted to corporal May 1, 1942; sergeant June 1, 1947.

**WALTERS** Reg. No. 16801, ex-Cst. William Alfred Walters, 67, died February 1, 1997, at Victoria, British Columbia. He was born March 3, 1930, at New Toronto, Ontario, and joined the Force January 17, 1951, at Victoria. Upon completion of training at "N" and "Depot" Divisions, Walters was posted to "D" Division, Manitoba, and served at Winnipeg until his discharge April 24, 1952.

**WARKE** Reg. No. 8754, ex-S/Sgt. William Lyle Warke, 98, died January 11, 1997, at Courtney, British Columbia. He was born December 10, 1899, in England, and joined the Force September 19, 1919, at Toronto. Upon completion of training at "Depot," Warke was posted to "K" Division, Alberta, and served at Lethbridge, Banff and Vegreville, retiring on March 31, 1952. He was promoted to corporal July 1, 1932; sergeant January 1, 1935; staff sergeant December 1, 1944.

**WASMUND** Reg. No. 18925, ex-Sgt. Gunnar Theodore Wasmund, 61, died November 30, 1996, at Delta, British Columbia. He was born January 6, 1935, at Atkins, Arkansas (U.S.A.) and joined the Force April 15, 1955, at Toronto. Upon completion of training at "N" and "Depot" Divisions, Wasmund was posted to "E" Division, British Columbia, and served at Prince Rupert, Smithers, Kitimat, Queen Charlotte, Hazelton, Vancouver and Surrey, retiring on April 14,

1980. Wasmund was promoted to corporal April 14, 1974; sergeant February 1, 1975.

**WITZKE** Reg. No. 13364, ex-S/Sgt. Friedrich Wilhelm Witzke, 81, died February 1, 1997, at Victoria, British Columbia. He was born November 9, 1915, at Winnipeg, and joined the Force April 8, 1940, at Regina. Upon completion of training at "Depot" and "N" Divisions, Witzke was posted to "D" Division, Manitoba, where he served at Winnipeg, Oak Point and Churchill. He was subsequently transferred to the following locations: on August 17, 1943, to "G" Division, Northwest Territories, at Southampton Island and Chesterfield Inlet; October 3, 1944, to "D" Division, at Dauphin, Shoal Lake, Steinbach and The Pas, retiring on January 31, 1969. Witzke was promoted to corporal November 1, 1953; sergeant May 1, 1960; staff sergeant November 1, 1963.

His son, Reg. No. 34498, Cpl. T.G. Witzke, is presently working at Breton Detachment, "K" Division, Alberta.

**WOODMAN** Reg. No. 17707, ex-Cst. Otto Maidment Woodman, 65, died January 29, 1997, at St. John's, Newfoundland. He was born March 22, 1931, at Millertown, Newfoundland, and joined the Force May 2, 1952, at St. John's. Upon completion of training at "N" and "Depot" Divisions, Woodman was posted to "A" Division, Ontario, at Ottawa. On December 1, 1953, he was transferred to "L" Division, Prince Edward Island, at Charlottetown, and was invalided from the Force on June 30, 1954.

**YOLAND** Reg. No. 16841, ex-Cst. Field George Thompson Yoland, 64, died February 1997, at Swift Current, Saskatchewan. He was born September 16, 1932, at Rossland, British Columbia, and joined the Force February 6, 1951, at Vancouver. Upon completion of training at "Depot" and "N" Divisions, Yoland was posted to "F" Division, Saskatchewan, and served at Swift Current, Maple Creek, Assiniboia, Cabri, Fox Valley and Yorkton, taking his discharged August 17, 1962.

**YORKE** Reg. No. S/1728, ex-S/Cst. Harold Victor Yorke, 77, died December 8, 1996, at Victoria, British Columbia. He was born July 29, 1919, at Lloydminster, Saskatchewan, and joined the Force as a civilian employee at Ottawa, on January 5, 1939, and worked at HQ. Yorke resigned on July 31, 1940, and reengaged into the Force as a special constable on August 1, 1940. He continued to work at HQ until he was transferred to "E" Division, British Columbia, in September 1967. He served at Victoria and retired on June 22, 1973. Yorke had been awarded the Queen Elizabeth II Coronation Medal, 1953. He was reportedly the son of the late RCMP Cpl. Charles Yorke.