

NAME:FULLER, William George **PARISH:**Fulham, England **ENTERED SERVICE:** 1912

DATES: b. 1878 d. 1947

Appointments & Service

Outfit Year*: Position: Post: District: HBCA Reference:

**An Outfit year ran from 1 June to 31 May*

W.G. "Jim" Fuller was born in Fulham, England on 25 July 1878. He came to Canada in 1910. For 20 years he worked as a plasterer until in April 1912 he began a temporary job as porter in the Hudson's Bay Company's store on Main Street, Winnipeg, it being too early in the season to practice his trade. He was soon persuaded to stay permanently. In October 1912 he lost his left arm while attempting to retrieve a customer's gold pin which had fallen into the elevator shaft. After the accident he worked as a timekeeper in the Main Street store. He operated a freight elevator in the Portage Avenue store (opened 1926), until his retirement on pension in August 1946.

He died at his home, 612 Furby Street, on 22 October 1947 and is buried in Brookside Cemetery. He was a member of the Imperial Veterans Association and the Amputation Veterans Club.



His wife, Alice Ester, was born on 28 July 1882. From 1910 to 1925 she was an employee of the Manitoba Telephone System. She worked at the Portage Avenue store from 1926 to 1947 as matron and then as attendant in the children's nursery from 1948 until her retirement on pension in January 1950.

She died at her home, 347 Home Street, on 30 May 1959 and is buried in Brookside Cemetery. She was survived by her sister, Violet Moore, of London, England. She was a member of the First Presbyterian Church.

Sources: HBC, RG2/37/62; Winnipeg Free Press, 24 Oct. 1947, p.19, and 2 June 1959, p. 2; The Bayonet, June 1942, p. 8, December 1947, p. 7 and March 1951, p.2 (picture of Alice Fuller at pensioners' Christmas dinner, December 1950.)

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