

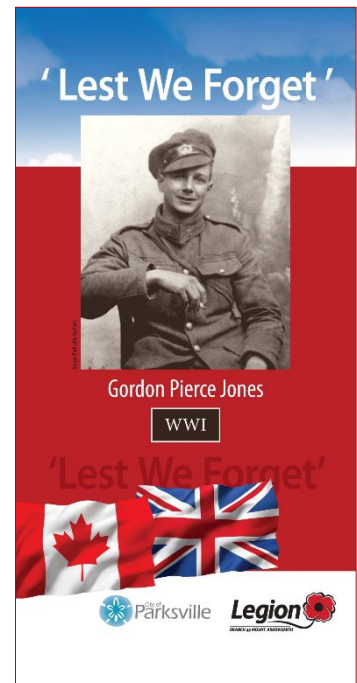
## JONES, Gordon Pierce

Service Number 430694

Rank Lance Sergeant  
Medals Distinguished Conduct Medal  
Canadian Infantry, Alberta Regiment, 10<sup>th</sup> Battalion

Born January 19, 1896, Kamloops, BC  
Died August 8, 1918, near Caix, France

Occupation Farmer  
Marital Status Single



Gordon Jones came from a farming family that settled in Coombs and became part of that community, as well as lifelong friends of Salvation Army colonists, the Parkers.



In early 1915, Gordon enlisted with the 88<sup>th</sup> Victoria Fusiliers. He later transferred to the 48<sup>th</sup> Battalion before being drafted to the 10<sup>th</sup>. His military records show a series of promotions, from Corporal to Lance Corporal. In January 1918, he was awarded a Distinguished Conduct Medal (DCM) and promoted again to Lance Sergeant.

His battalion participated in the Battle of Amiens, August 8 to August 11, 1918. During an attack on Caix on August 8, 1918, just as they reached their objective, Gordon Jones was struck in his left shoulder, just above the heart by a bullet from an enemy sniper's rifle. He was instantly killed. He is buried at Caix British Cemetery, Somme, France.

Sources: Photo: Parksville Museum & Archives  
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