

Andrew Bjelke Service #R130736

Enrolls @ Edmonton October 9/1940 to November 7th 1940
Calgary Highlanders - Regiment #M477745

Trains with 78th Field Battery of 2nd Battalion of Calgary Highlanders from November 8th, 1940 to January 18th, 1941

Joins 78th Field Battery February 20th, 1941

Joins RCAF October 1, 1941 @ Edmonton

Listed as "Tradesman J" 1941

Fills out RCAF application in Edmonton on October 1st, 1941

Rank AC-2 October 1st, 1941

Posted 1 M.D. @ Toronto October 1st, 1941

Completed training as a "Armourer J" December 6th, 1941

Posted A.A.S. @ Mountain View December 7th, 1941

Rank AC-1 January 12th, 1942

Completed training as a "No. 4 Armourer (Bombs) C" January 12th, 1942 @ Mountain View

Completed Annual Musketry and revolver course January 12th, 1942 @ Mountain View, Ontario.

Posted at RCAF Stn Ucluelet B.C. January 14th, 1942

Rank LAC July 1st, 1942

Completed training as a "Armourer (B) B" July 1st, 1942

Granted leave July 13, 1942 to July 27th, 1942 (14 days)

Injured @ Ucluelet, B.C. and in Hospital October 26th, 1942 to November 3rd, 1942

Posted 1 "Y" Depot, Halifax February 6th, 1943

Granted leave February 6th, 1943 to February 19th, 1943

Left Canada for U.K. March 9th, 1943

Arrived U.K. March 17th, 1943

Posted #422 Squadron March 28th, 1943

Rank J/CPL April 1st, 1943

Completed training as a "Armourer (B) A" April 1st, 1943

Hospitalized with severe rash on face (Sycosis Barbae) and was off duty from April 11th, 1943 to April 20th, 1943 Discharged with 48 hour pass.

Leave granted May 28th, 1943 to June 14th, 1943 (18 days)

Confined to base for 3 days June 16, 1943 for returning from leave 19 hours 4 minutes late (Bowmore Scotland)

Leave granted September 3rd, 1943 to September 13th, 1943 (11 days)

Applied September 26th, 1943 stationed in Bowmore, Scotland, to train as an air pilot
Reason given: To fight more actively in war

Posted #8422 SE Squadron Echelon October 15th, 1943

Applied on November 17th to enlist for air crew duties.

Recommended November 18th, 1943 to train as P.N.B.

Training @ A.C.S.B. Edinburgh November 18th, 1943

Takes Medical November 26th, 1943 address is Port Ellen, (15 Group) near Bowmore, Scotland.

Leave granted January 21st, 1944 to February 1st, 1944 (12 days)

Married Mary Lillian Cooper January 21st, 1944 @ Woolwich, London England

Disciplined 3 days C.C. on May 9th, 1944 "When on active service absent from the 0815 working parade"

Admitted to Hospital July 3rd, 1944 to July 8th, 1944 with Influenza

Leave granted September 14th, 1944 to September 20th, 1944 (7 days)

Evaluation done by Commander of Castle Archdale posting in Ireland on October 16, 1944

Leave granted December 20th, 1944 (7 days)

Leave granted February 15th, 1945 (7 days)

Received rank of Corporal April 1, 1945

May 17th, 1945 was in #8422 Echelon Unit @ Pembroke Dock in South Whales for counselling.

Posted #4222 Squadron June 5th, 1945

Purchased \$50.00 Victory Bond June 5th, 1945 Sent to Ruth Tastad

Leave granted June 9th, 1945 (7 days)

Posted RCAF "R" Depot August 1st, 1945

Posted Scoudouc August 6th, 1945

Leave granted August 14th, 1945 to September 16th, 1945 (30 days)

Lost identification discs at Pembroke Docks, South Whales August/45

On Discharge paper September 24th, 1945, states that he has job with Northern Industries as a sheet metal worker

Discharged @ Calgary September 25th, 1945

Received Monthly dependence payment (wife) of 37.20 /month October 23rd, 1945

Received pay for war service 1455 total service; 883 overseas service

Total pay \$747.60 October 31st, 1945

Issued the War Service Badge (Class 694170) @ 10542-98th Street, Edmonton on November 23rd, 1945

Purchased tools and equipment from David McGrath 205 Elgin Apartments, Edmonton with Veterans Affairs money (\$481.95) on January 11th, 1947

Medals issued: Defense; General Service; CVSM
1675 E. 14th Avenue .. on August 10th, 1957