

William Mitchell, MM

Regimental No. B10061

| RECORD | DATE | LOCATION | UNIT | DIRECT TRANSLATION | REMARKS |
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| Taken on Strength | 2 Sept 1940 | Toronto, Canada | MTCDS | As record indicated | He has been Taken On Strength and his unit is Military Training Centre District School. |
| Attached MTCDS | 2 Sept 1940 | Toronto, Canada | MTCDS | Attached Military Training Centre District School | |
| SOS | 25 Sept 1940 | Toronto, Canada | MTCDS | Struck off Strength | This was a "Paper" transfer. |
| Attached to NPAMTC | 2 Oct 1940 | Brantford, Canada | #20 NPAMTC | Attached to Non-Permanent Active Militia Training Centre | He is now at # 20 Non-Permanent Active Militia Training Centre. He is working "full time" with the Canadian Militia. |
| Promoted A/Serg | 2 Oct 1940 | Brantford, Canada | #20 NPAMTC | As record indicated | Promoted to Acting Sergeant |
| On leave | 24 Sept 1941 | Brantford, Canada | #20 CA(R)TC | As record indicated | No 20 Cdn Army (Basic) Training Center in Brantford, Ontario was also known as NPAM Training Centre from 9th Oct 40 to 14 Feb 41. It was re-designated No 20 Cdn Infantry (Basic) Training Centre on 15 Nov 43. |
| Ceases to be "On Command" from 30th Bty RCA (RF) and called out under G.O. 139/39 on attachment to No 2 Dist Depot for enlistment in the C.A. (A) | 6 Aug 1941 | Brantford, Canada | #20 (B) TC | Cease to be "On Command" from 30th Battery, Royal Canadian Artillery and called out under GO 139/39 on attachment to No 2 District Depot for enlistment in the Canadian Army (Active) | The unit name has "changed" again to #20 (Basic) Training Centre. He ceases to be "On Command". He has been "called out" for enlistment in the C.A. (A). |
| Reverts to rank of Private | 6 Aug 1941 | Brantford, Canada | #20 (B) TC | As record indicated | He is being transferred to the regular army and to do so, he has to be enlisted as a private. |
| TOS No 2 Dist Depot, Toronto | 7 Aug 1941 | Toronto, Canada | No 2 DD | Taken on Strength No 2 District Depot, Toronto | This is a "paper" trail only. He is now officially in the Canadian Army Active Force. |

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| Attached to No 20 (B) TC Brantford | 7 Aug 1941 | Brantford, Canada | #20 (B)TC | Attached to No 20 (Basic) Training Centre Brantford | He hasn't actually moved. He is now "officially" a member of the unit he was with, but instead of being part of the Canadian Militia, he is now part of the Canadian Army (Active). |
| Attached to No 20 (Basic) TC | 7 Aug 1941 | Brantford, Canada | #20 (B) TC | As record indicated | This is a duplicate entry in the original records and it is not understood why it was done. |
| Promoted A/Sergeant with pay | 7 Aug 1941 | Brantford, Canada | #20 (B) TC | As record indicated | This entry completes the "paper exercise" of moving him from the Militia to the Canadian Army (Active). He is again doing the same job at the same place at the same rank at the same pay.....Armys <i>live</i> on red tape and work for the clerks. |
| Leave | 10 May 1942 | Brantford, Canada | #20 (B) TC | As record indicated | These were large camps in France etc, that they men were sent to, then forwarded on to there units. |
| Confirmed in rank of Sgt | 1 Jan 1942 | Brantford, Canada | #20 (B) TC | As record indicated | He is now no longer an "Acting Sergeant" and has become a full "Sergeant". |
| Leave | 21 Dec 1942 | Brantford, Canada | #20 (B) TC | As record indicated | |
| SOS No 20 (B) TC Brantford, Ontario fap on transfer to the 1st Garrison Btn, Niagara Camp | 9 Feb 1943 | Brantford, Canada | 1st Garrison Bn | Struck off Strength No 20 (Basic) Training Centre Brantford, Ontario, for all purposes on transfer to the 1st Garrison Battalion, Niagara Camp | He has now left the Basic Training centre and moved to the 1st Garrison Battalion, at Camp Niagara. He was "lent" to the Battalion (attached). The acronym, "fap", means "for all purposes", which generally means "for everything, pay, medical, housing, work etc." |
| Ceases to be attached to No 1 Garrison Bn, Niagara Camp, Ontario, fap except pay, on return to No 20 BTC Brantford. | 15 Apr 1943 | Niagara Camp, Canada | #20 (B) TC | Ceases to be attached to No 1 Garrison Battalion, Niagara Camp Ontario, for all purposes, except pay, on return to No 20 Basic Training Center Brantford | He has return to No 20 (B) Training Centre. |
| Admitted to BMH | 5 Jul 1943 | Brantford, Canada | #20 (B) TC | Admitted to Brantford Military Hospital | |
| Discharged from BMH | 27 Jul 1943 | Brantford, Canada | #20 (B) TC | Discharged from Brantford Military Hospital | |
| Leave | 18 Sep 1943 | Brantford, Canada | #20 (B) TC | As record indicated | |

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| Leave | 23 Dec 1943 | Brantford, Canada | #20 (B) TC | As record indicated | |
| Volunteer Service Medal | 15 Jan 1944 | Brantford, Canada | #20 (B) TC | As record indicated | He was awarded the Volunteer Service Medal. This, in itself, shows that the family lore about him being “drafted” was incorrect. |
| Leave | 3 June 1944 | Brantford, Canada | #20 (B) TC | As record indicated | |
| Appt A/CSM (WO II) | 1 Aug 1944 | Brantford, Canada | #20 (B) TC | Appointed Acting Company Sergeant Major (Warrant Officer 2) | He has been promoted to Warrant Officer 2, and his title is now Company Sergeant Major. |
| Leave | 22 Dec 1944 | Brantford, Canada | #20 (B) TC | As record indicated | |
| Promoted to CSM Conf'd | 1 Feb 1945 | Brantford, Canada | #20 (B) TC | Promoted to Company Sergeant Major | He has been confirmed in the rank of WO II, Company Sergeant Major. |
| Having attended the JMT 10 hour group course is qual 5 - 9 Mar 45 | 23 Mar 1945 | Brantford, Canada | #20 (B) TC | As record indicated | Believed to be a course on “Giving Instruction”. |
| Having attended the JIT 10 hour group course is qual | 13 Apr 1918 | Brantford, Canada | #20 (B) TC | As record indicated | Believed to be a course on “Giving Instruction”. |
| Volunteered for the Pacific Force (record struck out) | 28 May 1945 | Brantford, Canada | #20 (B) TC | As record indicated | This record was “deleted” when he was turned down in the following record entry. |
| Not Acceptable for Can Army PAC Force Because of Age or Pulhems | 25 Jun 1945 | Brantford, Canada | #20 (B) TC | Not Acceptable for Canadian Army Pacific Force because of Age or Pulhems | He was not accepted to join the Pacific Force that was being prepared for overseas duty in the Pacific. The Pacific Force was only taking men below the age of 35. The “Pulhems” is a system of grading physical and mental fitness. |
| SOS to 5th Inf Trng Bn | 30 Jun 1945 | Brantford, Canada | 5th Cdn Trng Bn | Struck off Strength to 5th Infantry Training Battalion | The 5th Infantry Training Battalion was part of the 13th Canadian Infantry Training Brigade, the battalion that was training the Pacific Force. This Training Battalion carried out refresher and collective training up to the company level. For this purpose it has an appropriate scale of weapons and transport. |
| TOS from No 20 C1BTO, CA | 1 July 1945 | Brantford, Canada | 5th Cdn Trng Bn | Taken on Strength from No 20 Canadian Basic Training Centre, Canadian Army | He's now with the 5th Canadian Training Battalion. |

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| Leave | 4 Aug 1945 | Brantford, Canada | 5th Cdn Trng Bn | As record indicated | |
| Admit to BMH (sick) | 27 Aug 1945 | Brantford, Canada | 5th Cdn Trng Bn | Admitted to Brantford Military Hospital (sick) | |
| Discharged from BMH | 4 Sep 1945 | Brantford, Canada | 5th Cdn Trng Bn | As record indicated | |
| Admit to BMH (sick) | 7 Sep 1945 | Brantford, Canada | 5th Cdn Trng Bn | As record indicated | |
| Discharged from BMH | 12 Sep 1945 | Brantford, Canada | 5th Cdn Trng Bn | As record indicated | |
| Admit to HMM (sick) | 18 Sep 1945 | Hamilton, Canada | 5th Cdn Trng Bn | Admitted to Hamilton Military Hospital | It would appear that whatever medical problem he had was not going away. |
| Discharged from HMM | 20 Sep 1945 | Hamilton, Canada | 5th Cdn Trng Bn | As record indicated | |
| Leave | 22 Dec 1945 | Brantford, Canada | 5th Cdn Trng Bn | As record indicated | |
| Leave (note pre-discharge leave) | 27 Feb 1946 | Brantford, Canada | 5th Cdn Trng Bn | As record indicated | |
| SOS to #2 DD (whilst on pre-discharge leave) | 28 Feb 1946 | Brantford, Canada | No 2 District Depot | Struck off Strength to No 2 District Depot | This is part of the paper trail for his release from the Army. |
| TOS from 5th ITB | 28 Feb 1946 | Brantford, Canada | No 2 District Depot | Taken on Strength from 5th Infantry Training Battalion | In regards to his discharge. |
| TOS Rehab Wing No 2 District Depot from 5th ITB | 1 Mar 1946 | Brantford, Canada | No 2 District Depot | Taken on Strength rehabilitation Wing No 2 District Depot from 5th Infantry Training Battalion | The Rehabilitation Wing was a unit set up to “prepare” men returning from the front for civilian life. In this case, it was a formality as rehabilitation was not required. |
| SOS on Discharge Under CARO 102 (5 CI) | 8 May 1946 | Toronto, Ontario | No 2 District Depot | Struck off Strength on Discharge under Canadian Army Regulations and Orders No 102 (5 CI) | He has official left the Canadian Army |