

WILLIAM EDWARD GRINDLEY NOV.28 1913-SEP.4 1943

Growing Up As William E.Grindley

William, also known as Bill was born in 1913 on November 28. He was born in Westmount, Quebec. His father was Edward William Grindley, and his mom's name was Ethel Bray. His father was a pharmacist at the time it was called a druggist. He grew up in a Protestant house. William was not an only child, he had a twin sister Ethel Margret Grindley. They both went to Westmount High School.

School Life

William went to Westmount High School with his sister Ethel, and it's where they both graduated in 1930. William was a part of the Westmount High family. He played for many of the sports teams. Such as the hockey team, and basketball team. After graduating in 1930 he went straight to McGill University. He attended McGill University from 1930 until 1937. During his time at McGill he received a Bachelor of Commerce, and with that he went on to become an accountant.



A photograph of William on the WHS senior basketball team. William is seen holding a shield.

Military Life

William was part of the Royal Canadian Air force in World War II. He ranked as a Pilot Officer, and his service number was J/18200. During the war while fighting against Germany, William went missing on September 3rd 1943. On September 4th 1943 William was presumed dead. William was laid to rest at the Runnymede Memorial which is in the United Kingdom.

William's Life After the War

William may not have come home after the war, but his legacy will always live on. All of us at Westmount High School will never forget what William sacrificed for all of us. Here are a few photo's in honour of William.



A tribute in Westmount High School commemorating all the students who went on to World War II and never returned.



A zoomed in photo of William's name on the WHS memorial.



Here is the Runnymede Memorial in the United Kingdom.



Ethel Grindley's WHS yearbook photo.

"Work! Work! Work!
My labour never fails!"

Ethel Grindley:
Ambition—A trip around the world.
Pet Aversion—Latin.
Fav. Exp.—"O dear!"
Pastime—Attending pro. hockey games.
Activities—Class Baseball (Champs.)

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