



# Saskatchewan Virtual War Memorial

In memory of  
**Sergeant**  
**Arthur George Knight VC**  
who died on 3 Sep 1918

## Service details

<i>Conflict</i>	WWI
<i>Service</i>	Army
<i>Unit</i>	10th Battalion, Alberta Regiment
<i>Rank</i>	Sergeant
<i>Service number</i>	426402
<i>Date of death</i>	19180903
<i>Cause of death</i>	died of wounds



<i>Decorations</i>	Victoria Cross
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## Narrative history

426402 Sergeant (10th Battalion, Alberta Regiment) Arthur George Knight (b.1886) received the Victoria Cross and the Croix de guerre (France) posthumously for action at Villers-lez-Cagnicourt, Pas-de-Calais, France, 19180902. Knight died of his wounds the next day and is buried at the Dominion cemetery, Hendecourt-les-Cagnicourt. He was the son of Edward Henry Knight of Mead Vale near Weston-super-Mare, Somerset, England. Arthur was born at Lewes, East Sussex, but lived at Regina and worked as a carpenter from 1911 until he enlisted late in 1914.

Victoria Cross citation 19181112:

For most conspicuous bravery, initiative, and devotion to duty when, after an unsuccessful attack, Serjt. Knight led a bombing section forward, under very heavy fire of all descriptions, and engaged the enemy at close quarters. Seeing that his party continued to be held up, he dashed forward alone, bayoneting several of the enemy machine-gunners and trench-mortar crews, and forcing the remainder to retire in confusion. He then brought forward a Lewis gun and directed his fire on the retreating enemy, inflicting many casualties. In the subsequent advance of his platoon in pursuit, Serjt. Knight saw a party of about thirty of the enemy go into a deep tunnel which led off the trench. He again dashed forward alone, and, having killed one officer and two N.C.O.s., captured twenty other ranks. Subsequently he routed, single-handed, another enemy party which was opposing the advance of his platoon. On each occasion he displayed the greatest valour under fire at very close range, and by his example of courage, gallantry and initiative was a wonderful inspiration to all. This very gallant N.C.O. was subsequently fatally wounded.

## Memorial information

*Saskatchewan rural municipality for commemoration* 159 - Sherwood

*Grave or memorial location* Dominion cemetery, Hendecourt-lès-Cagnicourt,  
Pas-de-Calais, France  
(Link to Commonwealth War Graves Commission web page: <http://www.cwgc.org/find-a-cemetery/cemetery/32803/DOMINIO%20CEMETERY,%20HENDECOURT-LES-CAGNICOURT>)

*Honour roll location(s)* -----

*Geo-memorial* Knight Lake

*Geo-memorial location* 59.0666666666667,-102.5



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*Geo-memorial NTS map reference* 64M2

## Personal information

<i>Date of birth</i>	18860626
<i>Place of birth</i>	Lewes, East Sussex, England
<i>Enlisted on</i>	19141219
<i>Place of enlistment</i>	Regina
<i>Residence on enlistment</i>	Regina
<i>Occupation</i>	carpenter

## PDF documents on the Saskatchewan Virtual War Memorial web site

[From "For Valour": Saskatchewan Victoria Cross Recipients](https://svwm.ca/images/wc_ww1/Knight AG 426402 - 3.pdf)

[https://svwm.ca/images/wc\\_ww1/Knight AG 426402 - 3.pdf](https://svwm.ca/images/wc_ww1/Knight AG 426402 - 3.pdf)

[LeaderPost clipping](https://svwm.ca/images/wc_ww1/Knight AG 426402 - 5.pdf)

[https://svwm.ca/images/wc\\_ww1/Knight AG 426402 - 5.pdf](https://svwm.ca/images/wc_ww1/Knight AG 426402 - 5.pdf)

## Links to external web pages

[Attestation](http://www.bac-lac.gc.ca/eng/discover/military-heritage/first-world-war/first-world-war-1914-1918-cef/Pages/image.aspx?Image=206298b&URLjpg=http://data2.archives.ca/cef/well1/206298b.gif&Ecopy=206298b)

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[CGWP](http://www.canadiangreatwarproject.com/searches/soldierDetail.asp?ID=17050)

<http://www.canadiangreatwarproject.com/searches/soldierDetail.asp?ID=17050>

[Memorial street name](http://www.cmp-cpm.forces.gc.ca/dhh-dhp/nic-inm/sm-rm/mdsr-rdr-eng.asp?PID=4466)

<http://www.cmp-cpm.forces.gc.ca/dhh-dhp/nic-inm/sm-rm/mdsr-rdr-eng.asp?PID=4466>

[Photo collection on CVWM](http://www.veterans.gc.ca/eng/collections/virtualmem/Detail/316391?Arthur%20George%20Knight)

<http://www.veterans.gc.ca/eng/collections/virtualmem/Detail/316391?Arthur%20George%20Knight>

[Plaque](http://www.cmp-cpm.forces.gc.ca/dhh-dhp/nic-inm/sm-rm/mdsr-rdr-eng.asp?PID=4520)

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