



# Saskatchewan Virtual War Memorial

In memory of  
Rifleman  
**Gilbert Donald Boxall**  
who died on 9 Jun 1944

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## Service details

<i>Conflict</i>	WWII
<i>Service</i>	Army
<i>Unit</i>	Regina Rifles
<i>Rank</i>	Rifleman
<i>Service number</i>	L27355
<i>Date of death</i>	19440609
<i>Cause of death</i>	killed in action

## Narrative history

L27355 Rifleman (Regina Rifles stretcher bearer) Gilbert Donald (Gib) Boxall (b.1922) of Canwood was KIA 19440609 at Bretteville-l'Orgueilleuse and is buried at Bény-sur-Mer Canadian war cemetery near Reviere, Calvados, France. Boxall was a medic who was cut down while trying to reach a soldier who was calling for help; it was discovered after his death that he had been wounded himself no fewer than five times earlier that day. He was the son of Mary Jennifer Poole who came from Hickson, Oxford Co., Ontario, to Summerland, British Columbia. The family moved to the Polwarth area in 1931 and later farmed near the Dry Creek school north of Canwood. Gib was born at Toronto and was farming when he enlisted at Prince Albert in 1940.

## Memorial information

<i>Saskatchewan rural municipality for commemoration</i>	494 - Canwood
<i>Grave or memorial location</i>	Bény-sur-Mer Canadian war cemetery, Calvados, France (Link to Commonwealth War Graves Commission web page: <a href="http://www.cwgc.org/find-a-cemetery/cemetery/2004600/BENY-SUR-MER%20CANADIAN%20WAR%20CEMETERY,%20REVIERS">http://www.cwgc.org/find-a-cemetery/cemetery/2004600/BENY-SUR-MER%20CANADIAN%20WAR%20CEMETERY,%20REVIERS</a> )
<i>Honour roll location(s)</i>	-----
<i>Geo-memorial</i>	Boxall Lake
<i>Geo-memorial location</i>	55.88333333333333,-105.9166666666667
<i>Geo-memorial NTS map reference</i>	73P13

## Personal information

<i>Date of birth</i>	19220222
<i>Place of birth</i>	Toronto, Ontario
<i>Enlisted on</i>	19400611
<i>Place of enlistment</i>	Prince Albert
<i>Residence on enlistment</i>	Canwood
<i>Occupation</i>	farmer

## Links to external web pages

[Photo collection on CVWM](#)

<http://www.veterans.gc.ca/eng/remembrance/memorials/canadian-virtual-war-memorial/detail/2058708?Gilbert%20Donald%20Boxall>



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*Headstone*



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