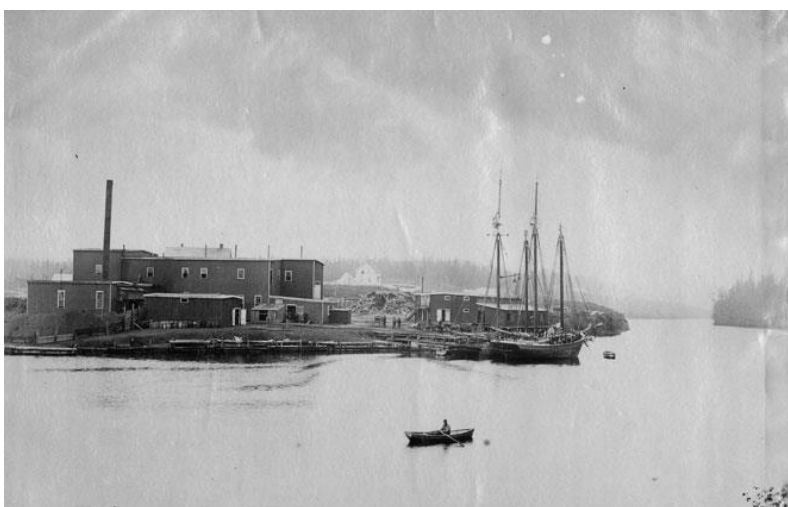


**Behie, Frederick Hutchinson**  
**Corporal**  
**The West Nova Scotia**  
**Regiment**  
**Royal Canadian Infantry Corps**  
**F 65273**



Frederick Behie was born in Sheet Harbour Nova Scotia on 11 February 1919. The Behie family consisted of father Anderson David and mother Rebecca Mabel Behie Gammon. Frederick also had three brothers and four sisters. He attended River School in Sheet Harbour where he was known to get along with everyone.

Prior to his service in the army he worked at the Halifax based Pulp and Paper Company, while enjoying fishing and boxing in his spare time.



*Pulp and Paper Company.*

On 22 November 1940 Frederick Behie joined the N.P.A.M. as a volunteer, where he was deployed as an artillery driver.

After serving as a reservist for 2 years he joined the basic training program of the Halifax based West Nova Scotia Regiment on 26 March 1942. He then followed additional training as a mechanic/driver from April to October 1942 in Aldershot and Woodstock, Ontario. He was promoted to corporal before he left for England on 28 December 1942. He remained in England until 27 June 1943 and then stayed in Sicily until 21 March 1945. He then served as a motor courier in the Netherlands, distributing messages between the front lines and command posts.



*Frederick and his parents.*

On the night of 2 May 1945 Frederick Behie was involved in an accident close to Nijkerk, leaving him severely injured. He died that same night, age 26.

He was temporarily buried in Nijkerk and was finally laid to rest on the Groesbeek Canadian War Cemetery, on 2 October 1945, grave reference **XIV. E. 11.**



*Grave like it was in the beginning.*

## Awards:

- France and Germany Star
- Canadian Volunteer Medal and Claps
- 1939-1945 Star
- War Medal 1939-1945
- Defense Medal.

'Silver Cross' that was sent to the mother after her son got killed.



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TV broadcast 'Omroep Gelderland':

<https://gelderland.75jaarvrijheid.nl/artikel/2431184/freddie-behie-zal-nooit-meer-zijn-bokshandschoenen-aandoen>



*Frederick Behie  
on the left -  
photo Jaap  
Vermeer*



*Frederick Behie - photo Jaap Vermeer.*