

## Message from The Lieutenant Governor



Remembrance of those who served, of those who sacrificed, and of those who helped ensure the freedoms which we enjoy today, we will remember.

It has been 80 years since the end of the Second World War and today as you honour all the fallen, we recognize the special story of Sgt. Eleazer Stanfield of Port Blandford, Newfoundland and Labrador. During his time in uniform, Sgt. Stanfield became an aircraft wireless operator and gunner and saw action with the Royal Air Force and Royal Australian Air Force in Europe.

On July 15, 1943, he died while on patrol. Sgt. Stanfield has no known grave, but is recognized on the Malta Memorial with his comrades.

In 2024, Newfoundland and Labrador brought home an Unknown Soldier of the First World War. In his anonymity, he could be anyone who served in that war. In his anonymity, he represents all those who volunteered to serve and who did not come home.

By continuing to remember people like Sgt. Eleazer Stanfield and all who served, we honour the reason they served and sacrificed and ensure we never forget the costly price they paid for peace.

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