



In Memory of
Lieutenant
RICHARD COUPLAND SPINKS
who died on April 10, 1917 at age 41

Son of Manly and Jenny Spinks, of Lancashire, England
Husband of Mary Mildred (nee Dixon) Spinks, married February 18, 1903 in Vancouver
Father of Mary Manly Spinks
Brother of John Manly Barrington Spinks who also fell

Born: March 15, 1876 in Liverpool, England

Service Number: n/a

Force: Army

Unit: 2nd Canadian Mounted Rifles (British Columbia Regt.)

From Attestation Paper: 5'-8" blue eyes and brown hair, Church of England,
Barrister of Law, enlisted October 23, 1915, Vancouver

Honoured on this page in the Ottawa Book of Remembrance

<http://www.vac-acc.gc.ca/content/collections/books/bww1/ww1330.jpg>

ECOIVRES MILITARY CEMETERY

Pas de Calais, France

Grave Reference: VI. D. 6.a

This cemetery is really the extension of the communal cemetery, where the French army had buried over 1,000 men. The 46th (North Midland) Division took over the extension with this part of the line in March 1916, and their graves are in Rows A to F of Plot I. Successive divisions used the French military tramway to bring their dead in from the front line trenches and, from the first row to the last, burials were made almost exactly in the order of date of death. The attack of the 25th Division on Vimy Ridge in May 1916 is recalled in Plots I and II. The 47th (London) Division burials (July to October 1916) are in Plot III, Rows A to H, and Canadian graves are an overwhelming majority in the rest of the cemetery, Plots V and VI containing the graves of men

killed in the capture of Vimy Ridge in April 1917 After the Armistice, the graves of eight men of the 51st (Highland) Division were brought in to Plot VIII, Row A, from nearby Bray Military Cemetery. Ecoivres Military Cemetery contains 1,728 Commonwealth burials of the First World War. There are also 786 French and four German war graves. The cemetery was designed by Sir Reginald Blomfield.

