

Nazwisko DA BROWSKI

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Z domu

(dzielnica Hulun)

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Ś+P BORYS DĄBROWSKI
24.3.1921-25.9. 2016



I was born on March 24, 1921 in the town of Hailar in Manchuria, called the inner region of Mongolia, in North-Eastern China. My parents, Anna nee Fomin and father Stanisław Dąbrowski tied their fate with this particular place. Here in Hailar my father was an employee of "East China Railway" originally as a warehouse worker, and then an accountant in the telegraph department. After his retirement, he was for some years the head of Polish Seniors Residence in the city of Harbin in Manchuria.

I attended and graduated from the Henryk Sienkiewicz Polish School in Harbin. In short interview with the editor, Boris spoke of great happiness, which he had experienced as a student of the Henryk Sienkiewicz Polish School in Harbin, as it was for him a school of patriotism. The school had a very high standard. Students acquired in depth knowledge of the Polish language, literature and history. They also learned Russian, Chinese and Japanese.

Harbin had a large Polish Community (7-10 thousand) consisting of Poles who were employed initially in the construction (1898-1903) and then the operation of the "East China Railway". The Polish ethnic group maintained its Polish language, culture and education.

At the news of the fall and the Polish partition in 1939 I volunteered for the Polish Army in France, and in April 1940, with a group of 14 volunteers from Harbin sailed from Shanghai through the Suez Canal and to Port Said in Egypt. However we did not reach France because on June 10, 1940, Germany crossed the Seine and France fell. The Harbin volunteers went from Port Said to Beirut in Lebanon, then to Homs in Syria, where the Carpathian Rifle Brigade commander greeted us as "legendary volunteers". Together with my colleagues, I was drafted on June 18th 1940 into the Independent Carpathian Rifle Brigade. After arriving in Palestine, August 14, I was promoted to senior gunner. With the Carpathian Rifle Brigade I went through Egypt to Libya, where I took part in the defence of Tobruk and the victorious Battle of Gazala.

In April of 1942, I was sent to the Infantry School at Camp Beit Jirja in Palestine and after completion was assigned to 5 battalion 3 Carpathian Rifle Division. Further military training to prepare the soldiers for the European front, took place in Syria, Iraq and Palestine. After the training by way of Egypt, I was shipped out to the Italian Front. As a corporal, in January 1944 I participated in the action on the river Sangro, serving as deputy commander of the platoon.

I took part in the Battle of Monte Cassino where I was injured during the second Polish attack on May 17.1944. I continued with General Anders 2nd Corps to fight along the Adriatic, in Ancona, the Apennines and in the battle of Bologna. During these battles, I advanced to second lieutenant, platoon commander of the 4th Company 5 Carpathian Rifle Battalion.

After the war I continued to serve as a liaison officer for the 2nd Corps Polish refugees on the border between Italy and Austria. Next, follows soldiers of the 2nd Corps, sailed for England where I was demobilised and entered civilian life.

During my military service I was awarded Cross of Valour, and the Cross of Monte Cassino.

In 1953 I completed a two-year course obtaining National Certificate in Mechanical Engineering (British diploma in mechanical engineering).

After completion of the course, I was employed as a draftsman constructor and inspector in the petroleum chemical industry in the UK, Canada, Japan and the United States, primarily in the design of pipelines and refinery and Edmonton.

I immigrated to Alberta in 1956 and settled with my wife and 2 children in Edmonton. In Alberta my work included Calgary and Edmonton.

I took an active part in the activities of the Polish Combatants Association Branch no. 6. where I as a recording secretary and then for many years a member of the audit committee. I have taken and continue to take part in the volunteer work in providing assistance to the local community as well as assistance to those who are in Poland.

In Loving Memory of

Borys "Bill" Dąbrowski

Edmonton, Alberta

Passed away September 25, 2016

Prayer Service Tuesday, October 11

Park Chapel Edmonton Alberta

Mass of Christian Burial

Holy Rosary Roman Catholic Church

Officiating Reverend Andrzej Sowa OMI

Interment in Holy Cross Cemetery

Zygmunt Cynar

Ś.P ALEKSANDER ROMANKO

21.7.1921-21.2/2016



21 lutego odszedł do wieczności Aleksander „Oleś” Romanko. Polonia w Edmonton straciła człowieka o wielkim sercu, bezgranicznie oddanego sprawie Polski i Polonii. Posiadał niezwykłą umiejętność zjednywania sobie ludzi dla osiągnięcia wspólnych celów dobroczynnych o charakterze humanitarnym. Wierzył w to, że Polonia Kanadyjska jest zdolna do wielkich czynów, że należy otworzyć serca i tą obfitością darów dzielić się z każdym, kto przeżywa niedostatek, chorobę, czy krzywdzonych przez los. Był człowiekiem bezpośrednim i otwartym na potrzeby innych. Kimś, kto nie potrafi przejść obok bez udzielenia pomocy. Zawsze pełen niespożytej energii, uśmiechu, optymizmu i poczucia humoru. Kontakt z ludźmi dawał mu niewyczerpane źródło energii życia. Lubiany przez wielu, otoczony wieloma przyjaciółmi, był osobą skromną, serdeczną, bezpośrednią i wrażliwą. Jego osobowość w każdym otoczeniu zawsze wytwarzała atmosferę pogody i życzliwości.