

THE 15TH BATTALION'S VIMY CROSS COMES HOME FROM THE FRONT – AGAIN!



On 10 April 1917 following the assault on Vimy ridge, the 15th Battalion erected a Regimental style celtic cross at one of the 1st Division's designated collective burial sites map coded as CA35. The names of fifty-seven of the battalion's dead were inscribed on the cross. Following the Armistice, the remains at CA35 were exhumed and reburied nearby at Nine Elms Military Cemetery and the cross was relocated there as well. In 1923 the Regiment acquired the cross from the CWGC and it was returned to Toronto where it has remained on display ever since. The cross was loaned to Veteran's Affairs Canada and sent back to France where it was on display at the new Vimy Visitor Education Centre for the Centenary of Vimy ridge from April 2017 to April 2018.

The cross will be officially welcomed home and back into the Regiment's care in a ceremony at St Andrew's Church at 10:30 AM on Sunday, 22 April 2018 during The Regiment's Annual Church Parade.

Join the Active Battalion, The Regimental Associations, the congregation of St Andrew's Church and many of the families whose relatives are named on the cross in welcoming home this revered historic Regimental artifact.