

# 8th Hussars Museum

## Finding Aid - Padre William Burnett (19.145)

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## Summary information

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**Repository:** 8th Hussars Museum

**Title:** Padre William Burnett

**ID:** 19.145

**Date:** 1939-1945 (date of creation)

**Language:** English

**Physical description:** This fonds consists of 5 mm of textual records.

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## Administrative history / Biographical sketch

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### Note

HCapt Padre William Burnett served as the regimental padre to the 5th Armoured Regiment (8th Princess Louise's New Brunswick Hussars), during most of the Second World War. On 1 September 1944, Captain Burnett was leading a burial party in a Honey tank during action near the Foglia River. He provided whatever assistance he could to the wounded, all the while working under heavy enemy shelling. He was burying the dead when a shell struck his tank. Padre Burnett refused medical treatment, despite having shrapnel lodged in his abdominal cavity and having half his hand blown off, until his men were taken care off. For his devotion to the well-being of his troops, he was awarded the Military Cross.

### Custodial history

William Burnett  
Sandy Burnett

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## Scope and content

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This Fonds consists of a 1956 Reunion Program for the 8th Hussars.

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## Notes

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### Title notes

- **Source of title proper:** Museum Created

**Physical condition**

Good

**Location of originals**

8th Hussars Museum

**Other notes**

- **Publication status:** Published
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**Access points**

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- Textual record (documentary form)
  - New Brunswick, England, Italy (place)
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**Collection holdings**

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**Series: 19.145-19.145.01 - Textual Records**

Creator: William Wilson Burnett

Title: Textual Records

ID: 19.145-19.145.01

Date: 1945 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

This series consists of a 1956 8th Hussars Reunion program.

Physical description: This series consists of 3 mm of textual records.

Language of the material:

English

Physical condition:

Good

Location of originals:

8th Hussars Archives

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Textual record (documentary form)
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