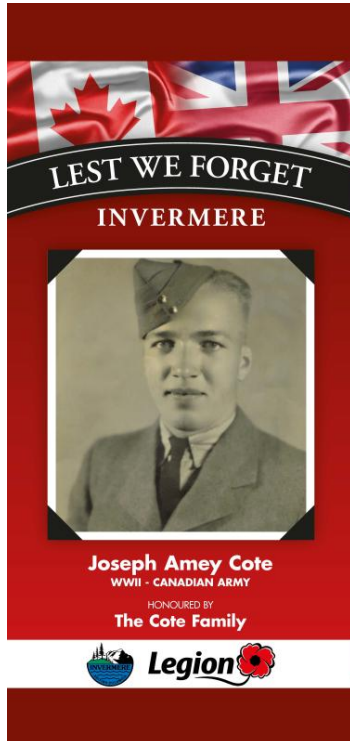


COTE, JOSEPH MEY



Joseph was born Nov. 16, 1923 in Lampton, Saskatchewan. He served in the Canadian Army and was wounded twice by shrapnel. After the war, he came to the valley and worked in forestry, marrying Sabina, a member of the Shuswap Band. They lived in Windermere and raised four children: Barbara Cote, current chief of the Shuswap Band, Diana, Joe and Sharon. Joe was an avid gardener and loved entertaining. The couple raised several foster children, and Joe always made sure his kids were well cared for. A fun-loving guitar player, he once brought home a monkey for the children. Joe died in 1983.

