WALKER, BASIL GEORGE COLEMAN



George was born Dec. 27, 1904 in England and immigrated with his family to Wilmer in 1913. He married Evelyn in 1937 and they had David and Frances. George served in the Royal Canadian Navy as a Petty Officer aboard the HMCS Ross Norman. During a heavy storm, he suffered a spinal injury and received a medical discharge in 1945. While recuperating, strapped down in bed, he was interviewed by a radio reporter. Asked what his favourite song was, he quipped, "Don't Fence Me In." He retired to Invermere with his family in 1956. George died March 19, 1978.

