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## Canadian Virtual War Memorial

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In memory of

Corporal

***Crother Hubert Wilson***

December 8, 1943

### Military Service:

**Service Number:** C/4602

**Age:** 23

**Force:** Army

**Unit:** Hastings and Prince Edward Regiment, R.C.I.C.

### Additional Information:

Son of George Wellington Wilson and Jessie Laura Wilson. His brother, Elgin Ray Wilson died on September 6, 1944 while serving with the Cameron Highlanders of Ottawa and he is buried at Calais Canadian War Cemetery in France.

Commemorated on [Page 227 \(/eng/remembrance/memorials/books/page?page=227&book=2&sort=pageAsc\)](#) of the Second World War Book of Remembrance. [Request a copy \(/eng/remembrance/memorials/books/book\\_form?bn=2&pn=227\)](#) of this page.

### Burial Information:

**Cemetery:** [MORO RIVER CANADIAN WAR CEMETERY \(/eng/remembrance/memorials/canadian-virtual-war-memorial/cem?cemetery=2018200\)](#) , Italy

**Grave Reference:** VII. F. 9.

**Location:** The Moro River Canadian War Cemetery lies in the locality of San Donato in the Commune of Ortona, Province of Chieti, and is sited on high ground

near the sea just east of the main Adriatic coast road (SS16). The cemetery can be reached from Rome on the autostrada A25 (Rome-Pescara) by branching on the autostrada A14 and leaving it at Ortona. The approach road to the cemetery from the main road passes under an arch forming part of the little church of San Donato. The cemetery is permanently open and may be visited anytime. By the winter of 1943, the German armies in Italy were defending a line stretching from the Tyrrhenian Sea north of Naples, to the Adriatic Sea south of Ortona. The Allies prepared to break through this line to capture Rome. For its part, the 1st Canadian Infantry Division was to cross the Moro River and take Ortona. In January 1944 the Canadian Corps selected this site, intending that it would contain the graves of those who died during the Ortona battle and in the fighting in the weeks before and after it. Today, there are 1,615 graves in the cemetery, of which over 50 are unidentified and 1,375 are Canadian.

Information courtesy of the **Commonwealth War Graves Commission**  
(<http://www.cwgc.org>).

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