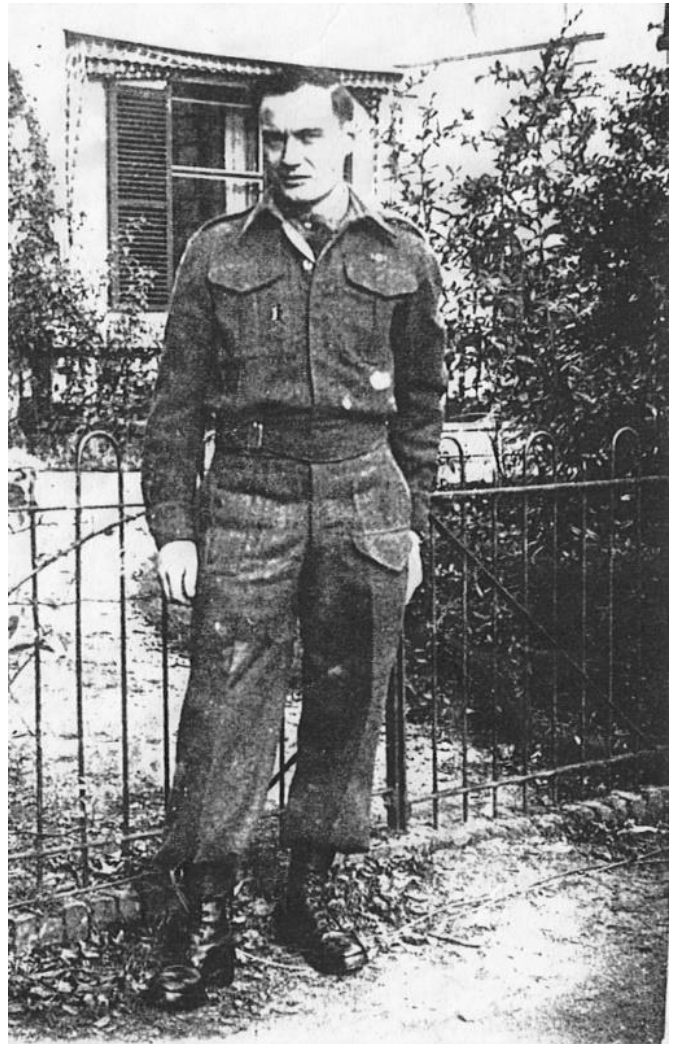


LADERROUTE, Cecile

Private Cecile Laderoute



Cecile Laderoute speaking to his young descendent about his war experiences.



[Daniel and Barbara Laderoute](#) (nee Ethier) and their baby son Cecile Laderoute [Cecile Laderoute 2006 Obituary](#)

The interview:

Were you wounded?

“No but I tore the skin on my leg climbing barber wire which led to blood poisoning.”

Were you part of D-Day?

“Yes, I was part of D-Day.”

How long were you there for?

"I was in Holland for nine months."

Did you volunteer or did they call you to duty?

"I was called to duty and I volunteered to go overseas."

What were living conditions like?

"The living conditions in Holland were great but the food wasn't the best."

What was your position/rank/division?

"My position was rifleman because I didn't have a good education. My rank was Private."

How did you get overseas?

"I got over by boat. The boat I was sailing on was the Lady Nelson which my brother worked on."

What was training like?

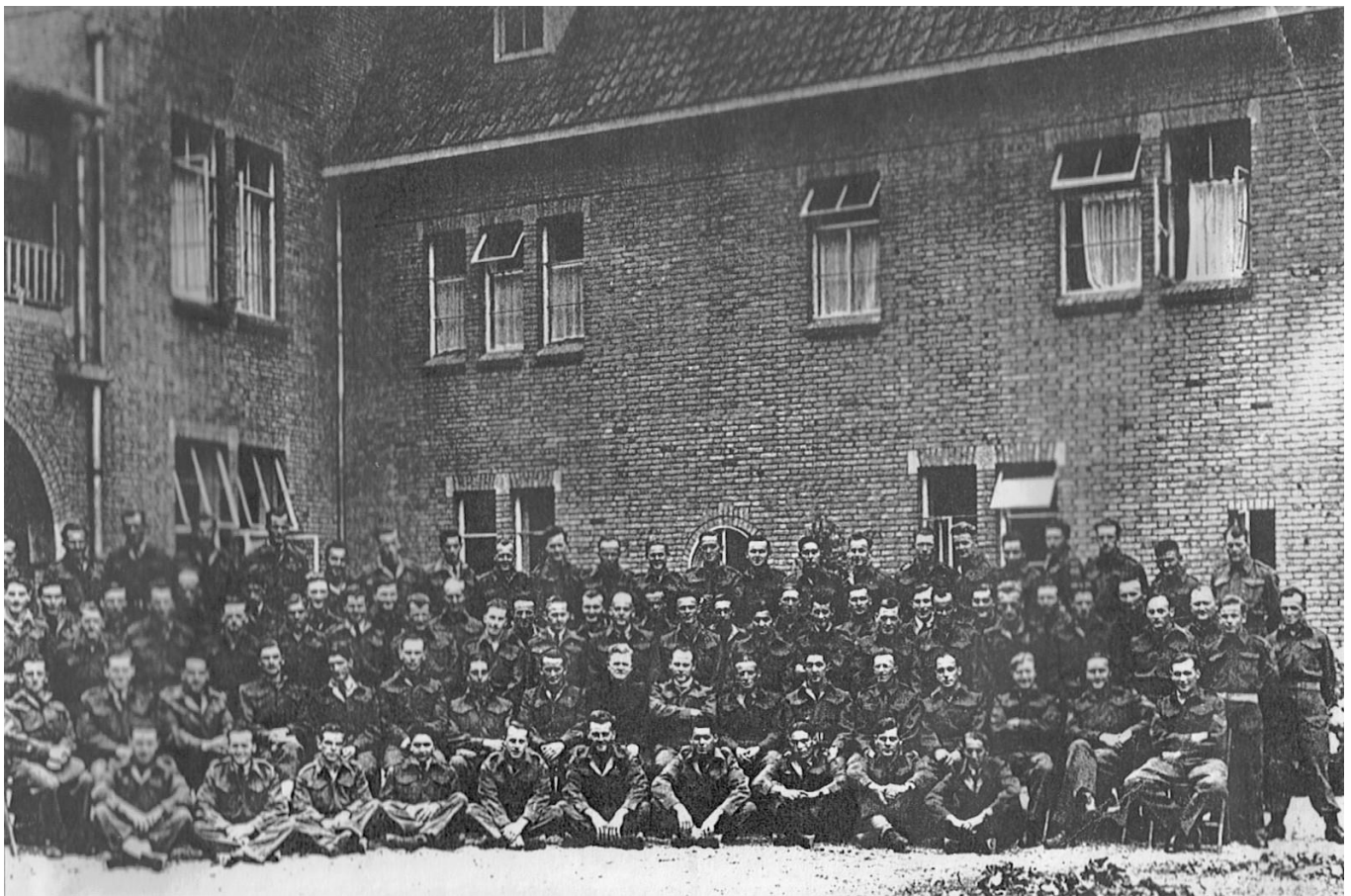
"It was tough. We had to make our beds perfect, had to polish our boots, and listen very closely."

Do you think that school students appreciate what happened back then?

"Some people. Some people believe that what Hitler did was the right thing. Some people thought what we did was the right thing to do."

Comments?

All my 5 brothers were called to duty but only 3 passed their health inspection. Holland people were very nice to us. I was in England to train and I was in Holland for war.



Training class in England.



Cecile Laderoute medals.



Somewhere in Europe with a fellow soldier.