

Doris Rhindress  
English War Bride  
Mauretania  
November 21, 1943



I was living in Epsom, England when I met my husband to be, Bob Rhindress. He had left from Pier 21, June 9th, 1940, his 18th Birthday. He had joined the Carlton Yorks out of Moncton, NB, Canada, March 8th, 1940. He shipped out on the S.S. Samaria arriving in Liverpool June 20th, 1940. My friend and I were walking along in Epsom when we spied two good looking chaps in uniform walking on the other side of the street. It was in June of 41. This November 15, 1999 we will be married 58 years! Needless to say, we are as in love today as we were 58 years ago.

I left England Nov. 13, 1943 on the S.S. Mauretania. Arrived at Pier 21 Nov. 21, 1943 and like most of the other War Bride stories, was astounded by the abundance of food and good cheer on the ship. I didn't have as long a trip to my new home as some of the other gals. I was heading to Amherst where my new mother and father-in-law were on the train platform to greet me. I lived with them and was welcomed by them and my new sisters and brother-in law until my husband came back from the Royal Canadian Corp. Signals on Sept 20/45. He arrived not at Pier 21 but in Quebec City on the Scythia.

We have two daughters and a son, five granddaughters and three great grandsons. Fifty years after arriving in Canada I finally made it back to England. Bob, our two daughters and I made the trip. It was good to go back but Canada is my home-no regrets!

Nova Scotia War Brides Rock!

