



## WWI Medal to be Repatriated to Walker Family in Time for Remembrance Day

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VICTORIA, BC – A quest to return a found World War I medal to the family will come to a successful close tomorrow when the medal is presented to the grandson and great-grandson of Major G. D. Walker. News coverage about the found medal triggered many calls to the City by historians and individuals trying to confirm who the medal might belong to.

Found last year by City workers in a box marked "free" on the side of the road, it turns out the medal was stolen from an apartment locker two and a half years ago along with other memorabilia and collectibles. The medal belonged to British soldier, Major George Dutton Walker, and was brought to Canada by his grandson. Two generations of relatives reside here in Victoria and are "delighted" that the medal will be returned.

On Tuesday, Mayor Dean Fortin will introduce the grandson and great-grandson to the City workers who found the medal and repatriate it to the family.

The City of Victoria is grateful to the nearly 50 phone calls and emails received from the public and professional and amateur historians across the country.

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