

# **VETERAN OF THE WEEK**

29 October – 4 November, 2023

**114856 Private Tezio (Peter) Nishioka**

5<sup>th</sup> Canadian Mounted Rifles

Canadian Expeditionary Force

First World War

Tezio (Peter) Nishioka was born on the 15<sup>th</sup> of April 1894 in Osaka, Japan to Matsui and Tsumae Nishioka. Before the war Tezio was living in Swift Current, Saskatchewan and was working as a porter at a hotel. Twenty-year-old Tezio would enlist in the Canadian Expeditionary Force on the 18<sup>th</sup> of December 1914 in Swift Current, joining the 9<sup>th</sup> Canadian Mounted Rifles. After having taken further training at Camp Sewell, he arrived in the U.K. on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of December 1915. He would ultimately be transferred to the 5<sup>th</sup> Canadian Mounted Rifles for duty overseas and landed in France on the 29<sup>th</sup> of January 1916, where he was stationed at the Canadian Base Depot. Tezio then joined his unit in the field in early February. Sadly, about four months after having met up with the 5<sup>th</sup> Canadian Mounted Rifles, Tezio was listed as missing in action between the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> of June 1916 during the action at Sanctuary Wood. He would later be reported as killed in action and presumed to have died on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of June 1916. Tezio has no known grave and is commemorated in perpetuity on Pannel 30-32 of the Ypres Menin Gate Memorial, Ypres (now Leper), West-Vlaanderen, Belgium. Thank you for your service and sacrifice to Canada Private Nishioka.