

CHRISTIE INDIAN RESIDENTIAL SCHOOL, TOFINO, BC

23 students were listed on the NCTR website in 2021 as having died at the former Christie Indian Residential School:

<https://nctr.ca/residential-schools/british-columbia/christie-tofino/>

Name	Date of Death (Year/Month/Day)
Adolph Maurus	1936-12-15
Agnes Amos	1952-12-20
Alice George	1939-10-18 or 1939-10-19
Anderson Sye	1934-01-01
Andrew Tom	1939-09-08
Catherine Marshall	1941-01-01
Cecil Williams	1939-09-14
Clara Andrew	1935-05-20
Dolores George	1955-06-24
George Johnson	1939-10-24
James Louie George	1937-05-28
Jessie Lucas	1940-01-01
Joan Manson	1952-01-03
Joseph Ignace	1937-02-16
Lawrence Thompson	1937-01-01
Lorena Thomas	1944-11-24
Mary Vincent	1948-08-10
Moses Tom	1943-09-22
Pearl Michael	1958-09-24
Rose Johnson	1941-01-01
Samson Mclean	1949-03-21
Stanley Joseph	1939-06-06
Thomas Campbell	1958-08-08

The above-referenced 23 students are not ‘missing’. They are listed below in the order in which they appear on the NCTR website with the following indications as to source material concerning the date of death, cause of death, and place of burial for each student.

(1) **Names followed by an asterisk** are students for whom the BC Archives has an online death record, although a microfilmed copy of the full death certificate is not available for viewing online. Where a BC death record exists, a copy of the full death certificate also likely exists, and can be ordered at a cost of \$50 per certificate. BC Archives death records can be searched for here:

<http://search-collections.royalbcmuseum.bc.ca/Genealogy>

(2) Names followed by the letter [C] are students for whom the BC Archives has a full copy of the death certificate which can be viewed online at the link above.

Adolph Maurus (1936/12/15) [DEATH CERTIFICATE NOT YET LOCATED]

Agnes Amos (1952/12/20) [C]; 9 yrs old; Hesquiaht Band No. 3; d. Tofino General Hospital; cerebral embolus (other contributing causes listed); death certificate signed by father and doctor; buried Christie School [NB: death certificate states name was Agnes **Edith** Amos] [NB: death certificate states date of death was 1952/12/19]

Alice George* (1939/10/18 – 1939/10/19), 8 yrs old; d. Tofino [NB: death record states date of death was 1939/10/19]

Anderson Sye* (1934/1/1), 10 yrs old; d. Ahousat [NB: death record states date of death was 1935/3/17]

Andrew Tom* (1939/9/8), 9 yrs old; d. Opitsat Indian Reserve [NB: appears he died at home]

Catherine Marshall* (1941/1/1), 11 yrs old; place of death unknown [NB: death record states date of death was 1941/2/14]

Cecil Williams* (1939/9/14), 8 yrs old; d. Opitsat [NB: appears he died at home]

Clara Andrew* (1935/5/20), 16 yrs old; d. Hesquiaht [NB: death record states name was Clara **Mary Andrews**] [NB: death record states date of death was 1935/5/19] [NB: appears she died at home]

Dolores George (1955/6/24) [DEATH CERTIFICATE NOT YET LOCATED]

George Johnson* (1939/10/24), 9 yrs old; d. Port Alberni [NB: death record states date of death was 1939/10/23] [NB: appears he died at home]

James Louie George (1937/5/28) [DEATH CERTIFICATE NOT YET LOCATED]

Jessie Lucas* (1940/1/1), 9 yrs old; place of death unknown [NB: death record states name was Jessie **Anna** Lucas] [NB: death record states date of death was 1940/4/26]

Joan Manson (1952/1/3) [C]; 7 yrs old; Clayoquot Band No. 86; d. Tofino General Hospital; infectious hepatitis; death certificate signed by doctor; buried by Indians, Tofino Indian Cemetery [NB: death certificate states name was Joan **Daria** Manson] [NB: death certificate does not identify her as a student]

Joseph Ignace (1937/2/16) [DEATH CERTIFICATE NOT YET LOCATED]

Lawrence Thompson (1937/1/1) [DEATH CERTIFICATE NOT YET LOCATED]

Lorena Thomas* (1944/11/24), 8 yrs old; d. Tofino [NB: death record states date of

death was 1944/11/25]

Mary Vincent (1948/8/10) [C], 9 yrs old; Kyuquot Band; d. Kyuquot Reserve; ear infection due to possible abscess of brain; death certificate signed by mother and registered nurse; buried by Indians, Kyuquot Indian Cemetery [NB: death certificate states name was Mary **Mercedes** Vincent]

Moses Tom* (1943/9/22), 9 yrs old; d. Kildonan [NB: death record states date of death was 1943/9/21] [NB: appears he died at home]

Pearl Michael (1958/9/24) [C]; 12 yrs old; Nuchatlaht Band; d. Tofino General Hospital; hyperkalaemia due to acute glomerulonephritis; death certificate signed by father and doctor; buried by Indians at Queen's Cove, Ehattesaht Cemetery, Ceepeecee [NB: death certificate states name was Pearl **Grace** Michael]

Rose Johnson (1941/1/1) [C]; 6 yrs old; Moachat Band; d. Kakawis; buried Kakawis; death certificate signed by Indian Agent [NB: death certificate states date of death was 1941/4/10] [NB: death record states place of death was Bella Coola; Department of Vital Statistics return states she died at Kakawis]

Samson Mclean (1949/3/21) [C]; 8 yrs old; Moachaht Band; d. Tofino General Hospital; epetaseis(?), measles, tuberculosis of lungs; autopsy; death certificate signed by Indian Agent and doctor; buried by Indians, Tofino Indian cemetery [NB: death certificate states name was **Bertram Sampson McLean**]

Stanley Joseph* (1939/6/6), 12 yrs old; d. Opitsat [NB: appears he died at home]

Thomas Campbell (1958/8/8) [C]; 10 yrs old; d. Vancouver General Hospital; blast cell leukemia; death certificate signed by father and doctor; buried Ahousat Indian Cemetery

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