

Lex Chisholm

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At 5'11" and 175 lbs., Galt's Lex Chisholm, a proven scorer, had all the earmarks of a star when he cracked the NHL's Toronto Maple Leafs' lineup in the late 1930s before war intervened and cut his career short. In the photo at right, Chisholm is pictured on the far right with Bob Goldham, far left, Johnny McCreedy, and Frank Eddolls in their military service uniforms.



Alexander "Lex" Chisholm was one of this city's top hockey players in the first half of the 20th century.

A Galt native, he was a contemporary of another Galt player, Carl Liscombe - the two were born a month apart and were in the same class at school.

And like Liscombe, Chisholm would go on to play in the NHL.

Chisholm first played junior hockey for the Galt Terrier Pups from 1932 to 1934, where he scored 25 goals in 30 games, and also collected 15 assists.

In the 1934-35 season he moved to the Oshawa Generals Junior team where he had 19 points, including 14 goals, in 12 games.

He then spent the next four seasons playing with the Oshawa Generals Senior team.

In his last season there Chisholm not only led the Ontario Hockey Association's Sr. division in assists and points, but the center/right winger also spent three games with the Syracuse Stars of the American Hockey League.

In 1939-40 he turned pro with the NHL's Toronto Maple Leafs, earning \$2,026. That first season he played with Syl Apps, Billy Taylor and Turk Broda, and had 14

points in 28 games for the Leafs.

He played one more season with the Leafs, earning \$2,105, but by then, war had intervened.

Chisholm played two games with the Pittsburgh Hornets of the AHL to start the 1940-41 season, but he was by then scheduled to enter the service.

In 1941-42, the year his teammates on the Leafs were winning the Stanley Cup, Chisholm was stationed in Halifax, and the following year was in Toronto with the OHL Senior entrant that year, the Toronto Army Dagers.

Like many other players, when the war ended, Chisholm's best hockey years were behind him and he never played another game in the NHL.

Chisholm died on August 6, 1981. He was only 66.



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