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English War Bride
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I arrived in Canada on Feb.
10th, 1946 on the Mauretania, through Pier 21. My husband met me and
our daughter, Barbara. Our first home was a basement we shared with
my mother-in-law. To get to it we had to pass through the coal cellar. It
was a revelation and we lived there for 9 months until we found a house
of our own. It snowed the next day and Barbara came down with
Bronchitis, I found out that although the sun was bright, it didn't mean
it was warm.

We were interviewed on the radio and saw ourselves on the movie
newsreel. Everyone was very kind to us, but my daughter cried for her
granddad, she called Ga-Gar. My husband passed away in 1994 after 51
years 4 months of a happy marriage. We ended up with two daughters.
Barbara was born in England, healthier in Canada.