Ernest Rutherford

New Zealand Icon
Brightwater: where it all began
Family / Whanau

- His Dad (James) came from Scotland. He was a flax miller, saw miller, farmer, wheelwright, contractor for railways.
- His Mum (Martha), a teacher came from England.
Foxhill 1877 - 1883
The good life
Family values
Havelock: 1883 - 1887
The school Ernest attended

Now a Youth Hostel
In Memory Of

PERCY RUTHERFORD
Died of Whooping Cough 21st Aug. 1883
Aged 12 Months
Also
HERBERT and CHARLES RUTHERFORD
Drowned in the Pelorus Sound 8th Jan. 1886
Aged 12 and 10 Years
Their Bodies Were Never Found
Unlike their brother, Ernest, their potential was never to be realised.
Study and perseverance
Nelson years 1887 - 1889
I’ll get by with a little help from my friends
Making his own way
Ernest Lord Rutherford of Nelson
1931