Fred Greenwood





Rank: - Sgt

Number: - 265254

Regiment: - Royal Warwickshire Regiment Depot

Died of Influenza at Budbrook Military Hospital, Warwick: - 17/11/1918 Age: 28 years

Cemetery: - Batley, Yorkshire E. 141.

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Family Details

Fred was born in Batley on the 12th February 1890 the youngest son of William and Louisa Greenwood nee Haigh who had married in 1881 registered Dewsbury.

Hanging Heaton born William was a rag merchant and in 1891 the family which comprised of William, Louisa, Ada 1883, John Haigh 1884, William Ernest 1886, Arthur 1888 and Fred was living at Fairfield Terrace, Surrey Street, Batley. John William born December 1881 had died in March 1883.

In 1901 they were living at 19, Surrey Street, which may have been the same house, but before 1911 they had moved to a seven roomed home at Athol House, Dark Lane, Batley. William was working as a clerk for a woollen manufacturer.

Fred attended Hanover Street Sunday School and worked in the office at the Alexandra Mills of G.H. Hirst and Co. Batley before moving to Coventry. In Coventry he was employed at a firm of artificial silk manufacturers.

On the 10th July 1915 he married Winifred May Waterhouse in Coventry and Isabel May was born in 1917.

Service Details

When war broke out, he was mobilised with the Territorials but his great efficiency in office work was responsible for his retention for home duty. For about two years he was employed in the Records Office, Warwick.

He died of influenza at Budbrook Military Hospital, Warwick and was interred at Batley Cemetery on the following Monday. At the time of his death Pte Arthur Greenwood who had been wounded and gassed in France was on home duties.

Fred is remembered with Honour at Hanover Street Congregational Church Sunday School and Batley War Memorial.



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