

William Shuttleworth Jnr

Cranage

Returned



His Story

William was born in 1899 at Wilmslow, the son of William and Mary Jane Shuttleworth. His siblings were Doris Victoria born about 1901 at Alderley Edge; Muriel born about 1905 at Cranage; Mabel born about 1905 at Cranage; Noreen born about 1911 at Cranage.

At the 1901 Census the family were living at Moss Lane, Alderley Edge with William aged two. They moved to Cranage about 1903 and at the 1911 Census, William was 12 and at school.

In 1917, when he joined the Army, he was a footman employed by Sir Frank Holland of Gray Friars, Preston, Lancashire.

His War Record

William attested on 21st February 1917 at Preston aged 17 years 10 months. He was posted to the Training Battalion, King's Liverpool Regiment (KLR).

Subsequently he was posted to the British Expeditionary Force in France on 28th December 1917 to the 1/8th Battalion, KLR, number 88917.

On the 14th March 1918 he suffered gun shot wounds to the face at Givenchy and on 14th June he rejoined his Battalion. Later that month he was gassed and rejoined his Battalion in September 1918.

He had leave to the UK from the 26th December 1918 to the 9th January 1919 and then joined the 25th Battalion KLR. He had further leave to UK in May and then on the 25th May 1919 he embarked at Marseilles for Port Said. From July to November 1919 he was in Palestine and then until December 1919 in Egypt. He embarked at Alexandria on 2nd January 1920 to the UK after which he was demobilised to the Reserve.