

# William Sproston

Middlewich Road, Holmes Chapel

## Returned

William's home was here



### His Story

William was born in February 1894 in Holmes Chapel. He was brought up and lived up to war time in Middlewich Road.

His parents were George and Mary Sproston who had, in 1911, been married for 35 years. William was one of nine children but of only four who survived.

William's father, George, was a platelayer. All the family had been born in the village.

The cottage had two living rooms and three bedrooms with a joint ash pit in the yard and privy with the adjacent cottages. A rent of £5 per year was paid to John Cross

### His War Record

William joined the 3rd Battalion Cheshire Regiment in April 1916. In May 1917 he was in hospital but reported to be doing well.

In February 1918 he was again reported in hospital and going along well. He was finally discharged from hospital in May 1918 and returned to duty.

The Absent voter list in 1919 indicate that his home address was Middlewich Road. He was a corporal in the Machine Gun Corps, Nr. 44800.