Ernest Upton

Middlewich Road, Holmes Chapel

Returned



His Story

Ernest, son of John and Hannah Upton, was born in 1883 and was at school in Holmes Chapel at the time of the census in 1891.

By the age of 18 (in 1901) he was a soldier, though he was at home in Middlewich Road when the census was taken. This was at the time of the second Boer War.

By 1911 he was working as a telegraphist, lodging in Teneriffe Street, Broughton, Salford. An experienced soldier, he was one of the first to rejoin the army when war broke out.

Nothing is known of his life after the war, suggesting that he moved away again.

His War Record

The Parish Magazine reported that Ernest had joined the 3rd Battalion, King's Shropshire Light Infantry in October 1914 and his name appears on the Roll of Honour.

He was wounded and in hospital in the UK in January 1917. By July of the same year he was discharged and returned to duty. Further details were not reported.