

Harold Walker

Kings Lane Farm, Cranage, Holmes Chapel

Returned

King's Lane Farm, the home of the Walker family



His Story

Harold, son of John and Jane Walker, was born in August 1875 at Cranage, one of six children. His mother was a local woman, and his father, a farmer, was born in Tarporley.

The census of 1881 records that the family were living at King's Lane Farm, Cranage and that Harold was a six year old schoolboy.

By the age of 15 he was still living at the farm, but was working as a tailor's apprentice.

He married Clara Cottrall in February 1906 and was a 41 year old life insurance agent when he joined the army in 1916.

His War Record

The Parish Magazine of June 1916 records Harold's enlistment into the Manchester Voluntary Officer Training Corps and his name is on the Roll of Honour.

He may have served in India (from 26th February to 7th November 1916). He was wounded at some stage and in hospital but was discharged and returned to duty in May 1918.