



Simon Senior

1884-1918

Simon was born in Earlsheaton in 1884. His mother was Elizabeth Senior, born in Earlsheaton in 1862 and died in 1917.

On the 1901 Census they are living at 6, Back Wilton Street, Dewsbury under the surname *Exley* which was the maiden name of Elizabeth's mother and in 1911 at 24, Brookes Buildings, Dewsbury under the surname *Senior*.

Simon was single man who worked as an assistant cloth finisher in 1901 and a Piecener in a woollen blanket mill in 1911.

He enlisted at Breary Banks Camp, Colsterdale near Masham, Yorkshire joining the 7th Dragoon Guards (Princess Royals) serving as Private GS/5957 and later as Private D/12740. He was killed in action in France on 24th March 1918 during the German Spring Offensive (*Der Kaiserschlacht*) and was buried in Creil Communal Cemetery, Oise, France. Simon was awarded the British War Medal and the Victory Medal.

Creil is a town 32 kilometres south-east of Beauvais and 44 kilometres north of Paris. The Cemetery, known locally as the Cimetiere de Verdun, is situated south of the town centre. Creil Communal Cemetery contains 6 First World War burials which in 1952 were moved to another plot within the Cemetery where the graves of 53 Commonwealth airmen of the Second World War are situated.

Simon is commemorated on the Dewsbury Cenotaph in Crow Nest Park and in the Dewsbury Roll of Honour kept in Dewsbury Central Library.

In Memory of

Private

Simon Senior

12740, 7th Dragoon Guards (Princess Royal's) who died on 24 March 1918

Remembered with Honour

Creil Communal Cemetery



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