



## **Stanley Fisher**

### **1893-1919**

Stanley was born in Ravensthorpe on 7<sup>th</sup> April 1893 and was baptised on 11<sup>th</sup> May 1893 at St. Mary's Church, Mirfield. His father was Fergus/Feargus Fisher, a Woollen Warehouseman born in Netherton near Wakefield in 1846 and died in 1914. His mother was Elizabeth Jane (nee Carter) born in Croft, Lincolnshire in 1852 and died in 1927. They were married in Mirfield on 20<sup>th</sup> July 1882 at St. Mary's Church.

Their other children were; Frank, born in 1883 and lived to the age of 103, Herbert, born in 1885, Amelia Charlotte, born in 1889 and died in 1892 and Rowland, born in 1885.

On the 1891, 1901 and 1911 Census Records they lived at 10, Field Street, Ravensthorpe.

Fergus was previously married in 1865 to Emily Oakes (born in 1846 and died in 1881) they had seven children; Sarah, born in 1865, Mary Jane, born in 1867, Ann, born in 1869 and died in 1872, Sarah Elizabeth, born in 1871 and died in 1872, Arthur, born in 1872, Ellen (Nellie), born in 1875 and Abraham, born in 1878 and died in 1879.

Stanley was a single man who was educated at St. Saviour's School in Ravensthorpe and later at Wheelwright Grammar School in Dewsbury and was a member of the boys' football club. He worked as an errand boy and later as a clerk for the Yorkshire Electric Power Company. He was a bugler in the Church Lads' Brigade and a member of St. Saviour's Church Choir where he also served on the altar.

He joined the 168<sup>th</sup> (Huddersfield) Brigade, Royal Field Artillery on 1<sup>st</sup> June 1915 serving as Driver 29287. After training at Ripon and on Salisbury Plain he was sent to the Western Front on 29<sup>th</sup> December 1915. In September 1917 he was transferred to the Royal Engineers serving as Sapper 311613 with whom he served as a signaller attached to the Royal Field Artillery; his last home leave was in March 1918. He was serving in Belgium when in late November/early December he became ill due to over-exertion and exposure and was sent to a military hospital at Rouen in France; after spending time there he was brought back to England and was admitted to the Bermondsey Military Hospital, Lewisham, London where he died of a heart attack on 12<sup>th</sup> January 1919. He was buried in Mirfield (St. Mary) Churchyard. Stanley was awarded the 1914-15 Star, the British War Medal and the Victory Medal.

Stanley is commemorated on the Dewsbury Cenotaph in Crow Nest Park and in the Dewsbury Roll of Honour kept in Dewsbury Central Library and on the Ravensthorpe War Memorial in St. Saviour's Church.

In Memory of  
Sapper  
**Stanley Fisher**

311613, Signal Service Training Centre, Royal Engineers who died on 12 January 1919 Age 26

Son of Mrs. E. J. Fisher, of 10, Field St., Ravensthorpe, Dewsbury.

Remembered with Honour  
**Mirfield (St. Mary) Churchyard**



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