



Herbert Stott 1883-1918

Herbert was born in Ravensthorpe on 1st March 1883. His father was John Stott, born in Elland in 1859 and died in 1911. His mother was Annie (nee Armitage) born in Mirfield in 1862. They were married on 3rd September 1881 at St. Mary's Church, Mirfield.

Their other children were; Frances, born in 1882, Lily, born in 1885, Willie, born in 1887 and Ada, born in 1890 and died in 1891. John was allegedly the father of Robert Whittaker who was born in Burnley in 1899, his mother was Margaret Ellen Whittaker, born in 1875 and died in 1955, he lived with the Stott family and used their surname on Census Records and during his Service in World War 1; He used the name *Whitaker* (sic) on his marriage record in 1920 and died in 1921 as a result of injuries caused by gas during war service.

On the 1891 Census the family were living at Knowle Farm, Mirfield, in 1901 at Whins Wood, Ingrow, Keighley, in 1911 at 48, Woodbine Street, Flatts, Dewsbury and in 1918 at 12, Cemetery Road, West Town, Dewsbury.

Annie was remarried on 24th April 1916 at St. Saviour's Church, Ravensthorpe to a widower, John Jackson.

Herbert was married in 1904 to Annie Hicks (born in Bingley in 1887). On the 1911 Census they were living at Shaw Mills near Harrogate where Herbert was working as a Silk Spinning Overlooker, they had five children; John Alfred, born in Shaw Mills in 1905, Willie, born in Huddersfield in 1906, Leonard, born in Dewsbury in 1908, Sarah Annie, born in Shaw Mills in 1910 and Edith, born in 1915 the town of Sarnia in the Province of Ontario, Canada to where they had emigrated around 1912 and where Herbert worked as a Labourer. They lived at 294, Queen Street, Sarnia. Annie was later remarried to a John Hyne (born in 1894), they lived at 501, Confederation Street, Sarnia.

He attested in the Canadian Expeditionary Force on 3rd December 1915 serving as Private 845252 in the 1st Battalion Canadian Infantry. His Battalion was sent to England in March 1917 and stationed at Camp Bramshott which was one of three facilities in the Aldershot Command area established by the Canadian Army. He was hospitalised in November 1916 suffering from Rubella (German Measles). He was sent to the Western Front on 25th March 1918 and was badly wounded in the left thigh whilst serving in France on 9th August and after being hospitalised in Rouen, he was evacuated a week later to Exeter War Hospital in Devon; his leg was amputated and he died in the hospital on 17th August 1918. He was buried in Dewsbury Cemetery. Herbert was awarded the British War Medal, the Victory Medal and the Canadian Silver Memorial Cross (Mother's Cross).

Herbert 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 War Memorial in Sarnia, Ontario, Canada and in the Canadian Book of Remembrance at Parliament Hill, Ottawa.

In Memory of

Private

Herbert Stott

845252, 1st Bn., Canadian Infantry who died on 17 August 1918 Age 35

Son of John and Annie Stott, of Dewsbury; husband of Annie Hyne (formerly Stott), of 501, Confederation St., Sarnia, Ontario, Canada.

Remembered with Honour

Dewsbury Cemetery



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