



## Logan Jaggar Grace 1894 - 1917

Logan was born in Ossett on 16<sup>th</sup> April 1894 and baptised at Holy Trinity Church, Ossett on 19<sup>th</sup> August that same year. On his birth record his middle name is spelt *Jaggar*, his mother's maiden name. His father was Albert Edward Grace, a coal miner born in Ossett in 1867 and died in 1904. His mother was Mary Alice (nee Jaggar) born in Heckmondwike in 1870 and died in 1946. They were married at Holy Trinity Church on 22<sup>nd</sup> November 1890.

Their other children were; Elsie, born in 1893, Harry, born in 1896 and served in World War 1 and Willie, born in 1900.

On the 1891 Census the family lived at Church Street, Ossett, in 1901 at Westfield Street, Headlands Road, Ossett and in 1911 at 4, Audsley's Yard, Healey Road, Ossett.

In 1911 Logan worked as a leather carrier at Sykes's sports goods manufacturers in Horbury and was a football maker when he was married to Eliza Riley (born in 1893 and died in 1958) on 20<sup>th</sup> September 1913 at St. Matthew's Church, Westtown, Dewsbury. They lived in Earlsheaton for a short time then moved to Cooper Square off Huddersfield Road, Dewsbury; they had a daughter, Ivy, born in 1914 and a son, George, born in 1916 and died in 1916. Just before he enlisted, he went to work as a Scourer for Messrs Mark Oldroyd and Sons at Queen's Mill, Savile Town. Around the end of 1916 Eliza and her daughter moved to Lister's Yard, Webster Hill and later to 165, Whitehead Buildings, Westtown, Dewsbury, next door to her mother who lived at No. 167.

Eliza was remarried in 1930 to a widower, George Fotherby (born in 1884 and died in 1970).

He enlisted in Dewsbury on 10<sup>th</sup> May 1915 into the 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Battalion of the King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry later transferring to the 1<sup>st</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Battalion York and Lancaster Regiment serving as Private 4506 and was sent to the Western Front on 26<sup>th</sup> June 1916. He was killed in action in France by a shellburst whilst working in a trench on 15<sup>th</sup> February 1917 and is buried in Bellacourt Military Cemetery, Riviere, Pas-de-Calais, France. Logan was awarded the British War Medal and the Victory Medal.

In his obituary published in the Dewsbury Reporter on 3<sup>rd</sup> March 1917, his wife stated that on three occasions he had been expecting to be honourably discharged because of poor eyesight which necessitated him having to wear glasses most of the time, but he had heard one of the Army doctors say; *"it is a shame to discharge a big, fine fellow like him"*.

Although Logan and his family always used the correct spelling of his middle name, his service records, the newspaper reports and the Dewsbury Roll of Honour spell it as *Jagger*. On 7<sup>th</sup> December 2021 the CWGC amended their records to show the correct spelling of his middle name, his headstone was corrected in 2022.

Bellacourt is a village in the commune of Riviere, in the Department of the Pas-de-Calais, 10 kilometres south-west of Arras. The cemetery was begun by French troops in October 1914, and carried on by the 46<sup>th</sup> (North Midland), 55<sup>th</sup> (West Lancashire), 58<sup>th</sup> (London), 49<sup>th</sup> (West Riding) and other Divisions, and later by the Canadian Corps, from February 1916, to September 1918. There are 432 Commonwealth burials of the 1914-18 war commemorated in this site, 1 being unidentified.

Logan 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 Ossett War Memorial.

In Memory of

Private

## Logan Jaggar Grace

4506, 1st/4th Bn., York and Lancaster Regiment who died on 15 February 1917 Age 23

Son of William and Mary Alice Grace, of Ossett, Yorks; husband of Eliza Grace, of 165, Whitehead Buildings, Huddersfield Rd., West Town, Dewsbury.

Remembered with Honour

**Bellacourt Military Cemetery, Riviere**



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