



## **Arthur Green**

### **1881-1917**

Arthur was born in Dewsbury Moor in 1881. His father was John Green, a Dairy Farmer born in Newmillerdam near Wakefield in 1843 and died in 1911. His mother was Ann Eliza (nee Oldroyd) born in Dewsbury Moor in 1845 and died in 1926. They were married at St. Anne's Church, Wrenthorpe, Wakefield on 26<sup>th</sup> June 1878.

Their other children were; Charles Percy, born in 1879, Ernest Watson, born in 1883, Maud, born in 1885 and Alice Jane, born in 1889.

On the 1881 Census the family lived at Beckett Lane, Dewsbury Moor, in 1891 at 45, Low Road, Dewsbury Moor, in 1901 at 30, Low Road, Dewsbury Moor and in 1911 at Carr Lane, Dewsbury Moor. After the death of John Green, the family moved to live at Gaunt Cottage, Pinfold, Mirfield.

Arthur was a single man who was educated at St. John's Church of England School, Dewsbury Moor and attended the Church and Sunday school. He worked on the family farm as a milk retailer.

He enlisted in March 1916 serving as Private 241782 in the 2<sup>nd</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> Battalion Duke of Wellington's (West Riding Regiment). He was killed in action on 3<sup>rd</sup> May 1917 during the Battle of Bullecourt which was a major offensive as part of the Battle of Arras. He was reported missing on that date but it was not until late in December 1917 that his family received official confirmation of his death. His remains were never identified for burial and so he is commemorated on the Arras Memorial. Arthur was awarded the British War Medal and the Victory Medal.

The Arras Memorial commemorates almost 35,000 servicemen from the United Kingdom, South Africa and New Zealand who died in the Arras sector between the spring of 1916 and 7th August 1918, the eve of the Advance to Victory, and have no known grave. The most conspicuous events of this period were the Arras offensive of April-May 1917, and the German attack in the spring of 1918.

Arthur is also commemorated on the War Memorial in St. John the Evangelist Church, Dewsbury Moor and on the Mirfield War Memorial.

In Memory Of

Private

# ARTHUR GREEN

Service Number: 241782

2nd/5th Bn., Duke of Wellington's (West Riding Regiment) who died on 03 May 1917

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