



George Herbert Kendall

1878 – 1917

George was born in Dewsbury in 1878. His father was also George Kendall, a sub-postmaster and previously a policeman born in Dunnington near York in 1850 and died in 1928. His mother was Margaret (nee Carlton) born in Bongate, Appleby-in-Westmorland in 1856 and died in 1917, just before the death of her two sons. They were married in Dewsbury in 1876.

Their other children were; William, born in 1876 and died in 1878, Mary Elizabeth, born in 1879, Charles, born in 1880 and died in 1883, Harold, born in 1883, Lavinia, born in 1884 and died in 1886, Maggie, born in 1886, Robert Butler, born in 1887 and died in 1891, Alice, born in 1889, Reginald, born in 1896 and served in World War 1 and John Carlton, born in 1893 and died of wounds on 15th May 1917.

On the 1891 Census the family were living at 10, Ernest Street, Dewsbury, in 1901 at 20, Battye Street, Dewsbury and in 1911 at Ivy Terrace, Leeds Road, Dewsbury.

George worked as an assistant in the employ of John Greenwood, Pawnbroker, Church Street, Dewsbury. He was married at All Saints Church, Dewsbury to Bertha Greenwood (born in 1876 and died in 1913) on 29th April 1902. They had two children; Nellie, born in Soothill Upper in 1903 and Margaret, born in Aston Manor, Warwickshire in 1904. The family moved to Birmingham around 1904 and then later they moved to County Durham where George managed a pawnbrokers shop in Spennymoor; on the 1911 Census they lived at 37, Buchanan Street, Stockton-on-Tees. After Bertha's death in March 1913, George was remarried on 13th October 1913 at St. Paul's Church, Hanging Heaton to Nancy Audsley (born in 1876 and died in 1962) and then returned to manage the shop in Spennymoor. Pension Records give their home address as 16, West Terrace, Spennymoor, but on the 1921 Census, Nancy and her stepdaughters lived at 20, Track Road, Batley.

He enlisted at Ferryhill, County Durham serving as Private 9/7567 and later as Private 325912 in the 1st/9th Battalion Durham Light Infantry and was killed in action during the Battle of Arras on 23rd April 1917. His brother, John died of wounds on 15th May 1917 at No.11 Stationary Hospital, Rouen, just three weeks after George's death. George was awarded the British War Medal and the Victory Medal.

George is commemorated on the Memorial Plaque at Eastborough School. Both he and his brother John attended the school. Although George attended Batley Grammar School for two years he is not commemorated on the memorial there. He is also remembered on the Spennymoor War Memorial.

In Memory Of

Private

GEORGE H. KENDALL

Service Number: 325912

1st/9th Bn., Durham Light Infantry who died on 23 April 1917

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