



Seth Dyson

1899 – 1917

Seth was born in Dewsbury on 22nd April 1899. His father was Charles Frederick Dyson, a card cleaner born in Ravensthorpe in 1871 and died in 1953. His mother was Eliza (nee Denton) born in Dewsbury in 1874 and died in 1933. They were married in All Saints Church, Dewsbury on 2nd February 1895.

Their other children were; Emma, born in 1895, Percy Charles Frederick, born in 1897 and died in 1908, Harry, born in 1903, Clarence Arthur, born in 1905 and Sarah, born in 1907.

On the 1901 Census the family lived at 49, Central Street, Dewsbury, in 1911 at 100, Thornton Street, Boothroyd Lane, Dewsbury and later at 44, Kilburn's Yard, Flatts, Dewsbury.

Seth was a single man who was educated at Dewsbury Victoria Jubilee School and Boothroyd Lane Council School. His occupation before enlistment was at Brook's carbonising works in Carlton Road, Dewsbury.

He served as Private 30464 in the Norfolk Regiment, later transferring as Private G/65924 in the Royal Fusiliers. His date of enlistment is not known but he must have given a false age as he did not turn 18 until 22nd April 1917. His mother sent Birth Certificates to the authorities to try and get him returned home but they arrived too late. He was killed in action during the Battle of Cambrai; the official records give the date of his death as 3rd December 1917, although an officer's letter quoted in the local press says that it happened on 1st December. His remains were never identified for burial and so he is commemorated on the Cambrai Memorial, Louverval, Nord, France. Seth was awarded the British War Medal and the Victory Medal.

The Cambrai Memorial commemorates 7,120 servicemen of the United Kingdom and South Africa who died in the Battle of Cambrai in November and December 1917 and whose graves are not known. The Memorial stands on a terrace in Louverval Military Cemetery, situated south of the small village of Louverval which is 13 Kms north-east of Bapaume and 16 Kms south-west of Cambrai.

Seth is also commemorated on the Dewsbury Cenotaph in Crow Nest Park and in the Dewsbury Roll of Honour kept in Dewsbury Central Library.

In Memory of

Private

Seth Dyson

G/65924, 2nd Bn., Royal Fusiliers who died on 03 December 1917

Remembered with Honour

Cambrai Memorial, Louverval



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