



Sergeant George Musson - 2048



9th Battalion Royal Warwickshire Regiment

Killed in action 19th December 1916

Age 39

Basra Memorial, Iraq, Panel 9

Burbage War Memorial (added 2018)

Wesleyan Church Memorial, Burbage

George was the fifth child of Thomas and Elizabeth Musson of Windsor Street, Burbage. Living on Windsor Street it is possible he attended the Wesleyan Day School and Chapel. His Father, Thomas, worked at the Brickyard of William Wheelock on Lychgate Lane, Burbage.



Windsor Street, Burbage

By 1891, the family had moved to Freemans Lane and at the age of 15 George worked as a Farm Labourer on one of the local farms. By the age of 18, George, had become a framework knitter.

In July 1896 he enlisted to the ranks of the 3rd Battalion Warwickshire Regiment of the Coldstream Guards in Nuneaton and sometime later he was transferred to the 1st Battalion Coldstream Guards in London.

In November 1898, he was tried and convicted of striking a superior officer, for which he was given a six months' sentence. This sentence is cut short when his Battalion embarked for service in Gibraltar in April 1899. From Gibraltar, the Battalion was sent to South Africa where he was present at the battles of Belmont, Modder River and Driefontein.

During this time, in October 1901, George is again convicted by Court Martial, for disobeying a direct command; he is given 56 days in prison.

Before leaving South Africa in October 1902, he is convicted again for striking a superior officer, and another six months in prison followed. He then continued in the Army Reserve in July 1903.

In July 1908 his period of service was completed and he was discharged with a pension from the Army. Shortly afterwards, he married Mary Ann Mathinson, the widow of a haulier from Stockingford near Nuneaton. Mary had four children from her first marriage

George and Mary had one son, George Thomas Musson born in 1909.

Along with his eldest stepson, Alexander, he operated a haulage business from 114 Arbury Road, Stockingford, later moving to Croft Road, Nuneaton.



Stockingford early 1900s



Basra Memorial

On the outbreak of war, George as a Reservist was recruited into the 9th Battalion of the Warwickshire Regiment. He was firstly posted overseas to the Balkans where he served as a Sergeant. From there he was sent to Iraq, where he was killed on the 19th December 1916 at Basra.

The Basra Memorial in Iraq suffered substantial damage during recent conflicts. It was moved from its original position at the port and now resides inland, where it was restored.

George Musson's name was omitted from the Burbage War Memorial when erected in 1921. He has now been included within the four additional names added in 2018.



George Musson Medals

Name	Corps	Rank	Regt. No.
MUSSON George	R. War R	Sgt	2048
Medal	Roll	Page	Remarks
VICTORY	4104 B24	5063	
BARRAGE	do	do	
15 ^{STAR}	411 B	363	Died
Theatre of War first served in	26) Balkans		
Date of entry therein	13.7.15		

WW1 Medal Card

CENSUS OF ENGLAND AND WALES, 1911.

Before writing on this Schedule please read the Examples and the Instructions given on the other side of the paper, as well as the headings of the Columns. The entries should be written in Ink. The contents of the Schedule will be treated as confidential. Strict care will be taken that no information is disclosed with regard to individual persons. The returns are not to be used for proof of age, as in connection with Old Age Pensions, or for any other purpose than the preparation of Statistical Tables.

Number of Schedule
(To be filled up by the Enumerator
after collection)

NAME AND SURNAME of every Person, whether Member of Family, Visitor, Boarder, or Servant, who	RELATIONSHIP to Head of Family.	AGE (last Birthday) and SEX.		PARTICULARS AS TO MARRIAGE.					PROFESSION or OCCUPATION of Persons aged ten years and upwards.		Whether Employed, or Working on Own Account.	Whether Working at Home.	BIRTHPLACE of every person.	NATIONALITY of every Person Foreign Country.	INFIRMITY.
		For Infants under one year in months as "under one month," "one month," etc.	Ages of Males and Females.	Write "Single," "Widower," or "Widow," or "Opposite to all persons aged 15 years, and upwards.	State, for each Married Woman entered number of— 1. Children born alive in present Marriage. (If no children born alive in present Marriage, write "None.")	2. Children born alive in previous Marriage (Column 7).	3. Children Born Living Child.	Personal Occupation.	Industry or Service in which worker is connected.						
1. George Musterson	Head	36	Male	Married 4	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	14	15	—
2. Mary Anna Musterson	Wife	42	Female	Married 4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	14	15	—
3. Anne Alice Musterson	Daughter	13	Female	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	14	15	—
4. Elizabeth Musterson	Daughter	11	Female	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	14	15	—
5. Elsie Mary Musterson	Daughter	9	Female	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	14	15	—
6. George Musterson	Son	8	Male	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	14	15	—
7. George Musterson	Son	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	14	15	—
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(To be filled up by the Enumerator)

Write below the Number of Rooms in this Dwelling (Kitchens, Parlours, or Apartments), and the Number of Rooms used as a school, secular, Sunday school, or warehouse, office, shop.

Total:
Males: 43
Females: 7

I declare that this Schedule is correctly filled up to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature: George Musterson
Postal Address: 114 Arbury Rd. Stockingford

1911 Census – Arbury Road, Stockingford