

Andrew Liddell Maclaren

Andrew MacLaren was born in Govan, Lanarkshire in 1872 (Place of birth is also recorded as Pollokshaws, Renfrewshire). Govan is now a large district in the city of Glasgow. He was the son of Robert and Mary Jane Maclaren. His mother's maiden name was Finlay.

In the 1881 Census the family are recorded as living at Ardenshaw, St. Andrew's Road Govan, Lanarkshire. The MacLaren family members include:-

Robert, Head, 64, Iron Founder employing 302 men and 7 boys, Born In Falkirk, Stirlingshire; Mary Anne, Wife, 39, Born in Glasgow; Robert, Son, 20, Iron Founder; Born in Glasgow; Margaret Shaw, Daughter, 17, Born in Glasgow; Ivan, Daughter, 14, Born in Pollokshaws, Renfrewshire; Andrew, Son, 9, Born in Pollokshaws, Renfrewshire; Archee, Son, 6, Born in Pollokshaws, Renfrewshire; Norman, Son, 1, Born in Pollokshaws, Renfrewshire. The family also had four female servants living with them.

There seems to be no further records of Andrew Liddell MacLaren in the UK census returns.

From a trawl of the internet it would appear that Andrew married Eva Friend who was possibly an Australian. The marriage took place around 1902. However this information is yet to be confirmed.

When Andrew enlisted for duty during WWI he was recorded as being resident in Mersham, Kent.

He served as Private M/339407 with the 10th Military Transport Company of the Army Service Corps.

Andrew died at Fargo Hospital, Durrington on 1st March 1918, age 46. The cause of death was a bleeding stomach ulcer and was buried in the temporary Hospital Cemetery. At some point Andrew's remains were reburied but only recently has his final resting place been located. He was buried in St. John The Baptist Churchyard, Mersham, Kent. Since this information has only recently come to light, Andrew had been commemorated on the Brookwood Memorial in Surrey.

His address was recorded as Stonegate, Mersham, Ashford, Kent.