

Men Connected to Sutton Mandeville That Served & Survived



Lest we Forget

World War I



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FREDERICK EDWARD SPENCER

MACHINE GUN CORPS CAVALRY

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Frederick Edward Spencer was born at Sutton Mandeville, Wiltshire, on 8th November, 1891 to parents Edwin Albert & Elizabeth Susan Spencer (nee Trulock). His birth was registered in the December quarter, 1891 in the district of Tisbury, Wiltshire. His parents had married in 1888 at St. Edward's Church, Teffont Magna, Wiltshire.

The 1901 Census recorded Frederick E. Spencer as a 9 year old Scholar living with his family at Sutton Row, Sutton Mandeville. His parents were recorded as Edwin A. Spencer (aged 33, assisting in Farm Work, born East Tisbury) & Elizabeth S. Spencer (aged 34, born Teffont Magna). Frederick was the youngest of 2 sons listed on this Census – Albert (aged 12, Scholar, born East Tisbury).

The 1911 Census recorded Frederick Edward Spencer as a 19 year old Labourer on a Farm living with his parents at Sutton Row, Sutton Mandeville, in a 3 roomed dwelling. His parents were recorded as Edwin Albert Spencer (aged 43, Farmer's Assistant) & Elizabeth Susan Spencer (aged 44). Frederick's parents had been married for 22 years & had only had 2 children. Only Frederick & his parents were listed in the household.

Frederick Edward Spencer was a Miller's Grinder, aged 24 years and 1 month, single & living at Sutton Mandeville when he enlisted on 12th December, 1915. His next-of-kin was listed as his father – Albert Edwin Spencer of Sutton Mandeville, Salisbury.

The Statement of Services for Frederick shows that Pte Frederick Edward Spencer was sent to Army Reserves on 13th December, 1915 & was mobilized on 9th May, 1916.

Pte Frederick Spencer transferred to the Machine Gun Corps on 22nd March, 1917. He was part of British Expeditionary Forces from 6th May, 1917 to 11th November, 1918.

Pte Spencer received a Pension from 13th September, 1918 to 5th February, 1919 due to a simple fractured of right fibula. Pte Spencer was transferred to 2nd Northern General Hospital, Beckett Park, Leeds on 26th November, 1918.

Pte Spencer was discharged on 4th February, 1919 after serving for 3 years & 55 days due to Kings Regulations 392 (XVI) – No longer physically fit for War Service.

Pte Frederick Spencer received a Silver War Badge – No. B124982 in March, 1919. The Silver War Badge was issued in the United Kingdom to service personnel who had been honourably discharged due to wounds or sickness during World War I. The badge, sometimes known as the Discharge Badge, Wound Badge or Services Rendered Badge, was first issued in September 1916, along with an official certificate of entitlement. The sterling silver lapel badge was intended to be worn on civilian clothes. The badge was to be worn on the right breast while in civilian dress, it was forbidden to wear on a military uniform.

Pioneer Frederick Edward Spencer was entitled to the Victory Medal & the British War Medal.

A death for Frederick Edward Spencer was registered in June, 1969 in the registration district of Mere, Wiltshire. He was aged 77.