Gerald Henshaw

The Village, Holmes Chapel

Returned

Men of the Royal Field Artillery



His Story

Gerald was born at Holmes Chapel in 1897 the son of Joseph Henry and Hannah Henshaw. His siblings, who were all born at Holmes Chapel were Ethel born about 1889; Florence born about 1890; Wallace born about 1892; Nellie born about 1894; Dorothy born about 1899 and Ida born about 1900.

In the 1901 Census he was living with his parents at Holmes Chapel, aged 4. In the 1911 Census he is recorded, aged 14, as a grocer's errand boy.

He was buried at the Iron Bridge Chapel on the 21st March 1961, aged 64.

His War Record

He joined the Royal Field Artillery as a gunner, number 745021 and went to France on the 25th November 1915.

The Parish Magazine reported in May 1917 that he was in hospital and in July 1917 was discharged from hospital and returned to duty. There were no further reports.

He was awarded the Victory Medal and 1915 Star.