William Albert Rowe

Inglewood, Middlewich Road, Holmes Chapel

Returned

The home of the Rowe family.



His Story

William was born in 1892 at Oldham, the son of William Henry (School Board Attendance Officer) and Sarah Ann Rowe (a midwife).

In the 1891 and 1901 Census, the family were living at 92 King Street Oldham and in 1901 William Snr. had changed his job to Commercial Traveller (Drapery).

By the 1911 Census the family were living at Inglewood, Holmes Chapel. Both Percy (William's brother) and his father were working as Commercial Travellers (Drapery). William (aged 19), was also part of the business working as a Commercial Clerk (Drapery).

In August 1918 he married Margaret Chesters in the Congleton District.

His death is recorded in August 1961 in the Crewe District at the age of 69.

His War Record

William joined the Royal Army Medical Corps in October 1914. In December 1914 he was working with the St John's Ambulance Association in Calais.

In November 1915 he appears to have enlisted in the Royal Flying Corps. In November 1916 he was in hospital with a broken leg but by March 1917 he was recovered and in Italy.

He was again in hospital in May 1917 but discharged by July 1917 and returned to duty. In May 1918 according to the Parish Magazine he was granted a commission.

The Absent Voters List of 1919 gives his registered address as Macclesfield Road and he is now a Lieutenant in the Royal Marines.