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Harry Venables

West Hope Cottages, Middlewich Road, Holmes Chapel

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The home of the Venables family.



His Story

Harry, son of Joseph (a butcher) and Elizabeth Venables was born in Holmes Chapel in February 1891 and lived on Middlewich Road during his childhood.

He was working as a domestic groom by 1911 and his expertise with horses would have been useful in a cavalry regiment such as the Dragoon Guards.

He seems to have returned to the village after the war and died in August 1941 aged 49. He is buried in the churchyard.

His War Record

In March 1916 the Parish Magazine noted that Harry had been called up and was serving with the 6th Dragoon Guards.

He was injured, then fell ill with appendicitis in September 1917, undergoing an operation at base hospital in France. In May 1918 he was in hospital again for another operation but in June 1918 he was home again and reported to be looking very well.

It is not clear when he was discharged from the army. His name appears on the Roll of Honour.