George Robert Griggs Askew



NºR/3262 11th Battalion Kings Royal Rifles

George Robert Griggs Askew was born in Worksop Nottinghamshire in late 1889 to Richard and Mary (Grant) Askew. He was their last of 8 children. His father was a Brick Layer. In the 1891 census George is aged 1, one of 4 siblings living in the family home on Main Road Laughton near Doncaster. (Griggs his paternal grandmothers family name)

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By 1901 the family had dispersed, possibly falling on hard times. George was living as a 'Pauper' in the Worksop Union Workhouse aged 11, none of his family are there with him. His parents are living with another relative and his siblings with their spouse or in service working as Servants.

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In 1902 George lost his father, passing away in the Worksop Union Workhouse where he must have joined George at some point.

Little is else is known of Georges early life. on the 18th June 1908 aged 20 he married Jennie Brown in Darnall, Sheffield. He was noted a Labourer living at 62 Bray Street Darnall (demolished), his father Richard a deceased bricklayer.

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In the 1911 census George and Jennie are living at 49 Garth Road Attercliffe, Sheffield (demolished), George working as a Charge Wheeler for a Steel Smelting Furnace, Steel Works.

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When war was declared on the 4th August 1914 George was aged 25. He like many including his brother would enlist to serve. George was attested into service on the 7th September 1914 in Attercliffe. He was a labourer, 5 foot 8 inches, 142 lbs with good physical development and fair eye sight. He was given the service number R/3262 and posted to the Kings Royal Rifles.

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George joined Depot of the Kings Royal Rifles at Peninsular Barracks, Winchester on the 8^{th} September and was posted to No2 Company 11^{th} Service Battalion Kings Royal Rifles the next day, the 9^{th} September 1914 as a Rifleman.

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The 11th Service Battalion Kings Royal Rifles (KRR) Formed at Winchester in September 1914 as part of the 59th Brigade in 20th (Light) Division.

George's time with the KRR was short lived. Three weeks after arriving in Winchester for his basic training, and possibly following further medicals he was Recommended for Discharge Medically Unfit. His record notes 'old injury to left ankle quiet unable to double' (double was the increased march pace of the Light Infantry, almost a run)

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There is no record of George serving further during the war. It is assumed he returned home to his young family.

His Brother Richard served in the Royal Engineers and was captured in March 1918 and taken Prisoner of War. He survived the war and returned home in January 1919

In 1918 George and Jennie had a third child, a daughter, Phillis and in 1923 a fourth, a daughter Jessie. They were still living at their pre war address, George working as a Labourer.

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In 1928 they had a fifth child, a daughter Hilda.

On the 11th December 1935 aged 47 George lost his wife. He re-married on the 26th September 1936. He was noted a Widower living at 47 Luke Lane and working as a Steel Smelter. He married Constance Fawkes aged 23, 24 years younger than him.

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Little is know of Georges life after his second marriage.

George passed away in Sheffield in 1965 aged 76