## **Dinton Roll of Honour**



## **World War I**



TR/8/9643 PRIVATE

E. W. CUFF

**HAMPSHIRE REGIMENT** 

11TH MAY, 1917 AGE 18

## **Edgar Walter CUFF**

Edgar Walter Cuff's birth was registered in March quarter, 1899 in the district of Wilton, Wiltshire. His parents were George & Eliza Cuff.

The 1901 Census records Edgar's family as living at Hindon Road, Dinton. The family consisted of parents – George Cuff (Poultry farmer, aged 40) & Eliza Cuff (aged 34). They had 4 children listed on this Census – Lucy M. (aged 9), Phillip (aged 8), Sarah M. (aged 4) & Anthony G. E. Cuff. Edgar is not listed.

The 1911 Census shows that Edgar Cuff was born in Dinton, Wiltshire (in 1899) and was a 12 year old boarder living with Sarah Lane, a 57 year old shopkeeper/grocer, and her 3 adult children – one of whom is an assistant teacher. Also living at this 10 roomed place is Ellen Dommett, an assistant teacher. The postal address is given as "Grocer etc Dinton, Salisbury".

Edgar Walter Cuff enlisted with the 35<sup>th</sup> Training Reserve Battalion of the Hampshire Regiment at Salisbury. He was given the rank of Private & a service number of TR/8/9643. (*UK Soldiers Died in the Great War* lists Private Edgar Walter Cuff as having a service number of 8/9643 & being attached to 7<sup>th</sup> Battalion Dorsetshire Regiment). 7<sup>th</sup> (Reserve) Battalion of Dorsetshire Regiment converted into 35<sup>th</sup> Training Reserve Battalion of 8<sup>th</sup> Reserve Brigade on 1<sup>st</sup> September, 1916.

Pte Edgar Walter Cuff died on 11<sup>th</sup> May, 1917 of pneumonia, at the age of 18 years. Pte Cuff is buried in the Churchyard of St Mary's Dinton and is acknowledged with a Commonwealth War Graves Headstone. His headstone can be located on the West Boundary, south-west of Church.

A death was registered in the June quarter, 1917 for Edgar W. Cuff, aged 18, in the district of Wilton, Wiltshire.

The Commonwealth War Graves Commission lists Private Edgar Walter Cuff as the son of Eliza Cuff of Compton Chamberlayne, Salisbury and the late George Cuff.

A photo of Private Cuff's headstone can be purchased from The War Graves Photographic Project.



St Mary's Church, Dinton - Photo courtesy of Andrew Stacey

E. W. Cuff is also remembered in the Diocese of Salisbury Casualties of WW1 Memorial Book 1914 – 1918.

Edgar Walter Cuff is also remembered on the Dinton War Memorial, which is located at the northern end of the Churchyard.



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