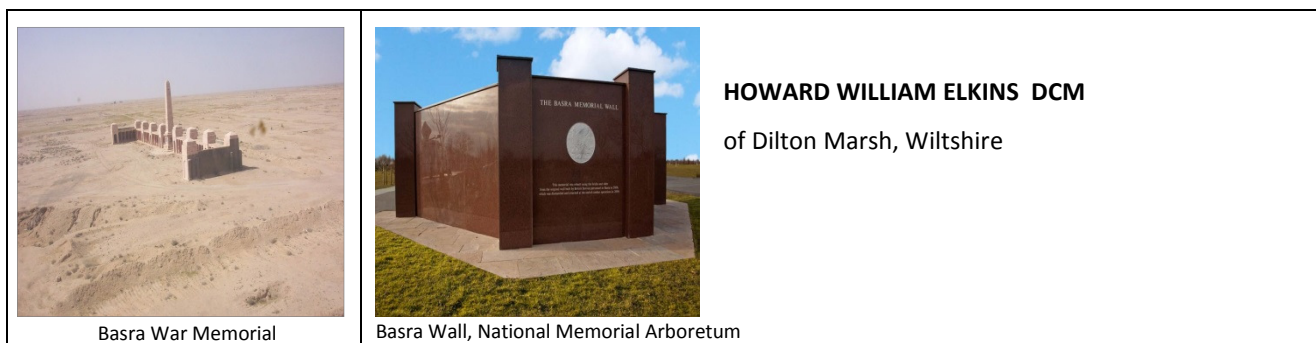


Roll of Honour  
THE GREAT WAR 1914-1918



**HOWARD WILLIAM ELKINS DCM**

of Dilton Marsh, Wiltshire



DOB	1895	
Birth registered	June Q Westbury Reg District, Vol 5a Page 141	2
Birthplace	Dilton Marsh, Wiltshire	2

Father	Mark Elkins b. 1862 Whiteparish - d. 8/12/1935 Winchester Street Ludgershall. Probate £2,816 4s 11d	3
Mother	Hannah Maria (nee Tibble) b. 1864 Devizes Married 26 Mar 1885 Marlborough Vol 5a Page 123	2
Siblings	Nellie Florence, Lucy Ann, Nora Annie, Alexander, Winifred Jane, Wilfred Thomas	3

Residence 1901	Police Station, Harnham, Salisbury . Father - Police Constable	3
Residence 1911	Butt Street Ludgershall - occupation Grocer's Assistant. Father - Police Inspector	3

Wife	N/A	
Children	-	

Rank	Private	1
Regiment	B Coy, 1 <sup>st</sup> /4 <sup>th</sup> Battalion Hampshire Regiment	1
Enlisted	Hamilton Camp, Ludgershall	1
Service Number	2825 / 200755	1
Medals	Victory / British / 1915 Star / DCM	4
Date of Death	21 January 1916 age 20	1
Cause	Died of Wounds	1
Burial/Memorial	Basra Memorial, Iraq (Panel 21 and 63) (Second location)	1

<p>NOTES</p>  	<p>Entered Mesopotamia 18 March 1915. Awarded the Distinguished Conduct Medal 9 October 1915.</p> <p>Citation DCM. 2825 Pte H. W. Elkins 1/4<sup>th</sup> Bn TF. For conspicuous gallantry on the 5<sup>th</sup> July 1915, at Gurmah Safhah (Mesopotamia) in returning to the steamer for ammunition and carrying it under a heavy shell and rifle fire to the firing line</p> <p>Our Gallant DCMs Announcement of 6 Hampshire men named who won the DCM ..... Pte H W Elkins of Ludgershall, son of Mr M Elkins, late Inspector of Police. Andover Advertiser 15 October 1915</p> <p>Father took over Central Garage in Ludgershall and served on the Parish Council Electoral Roll 1918 - Parents and brother Wilfred Thomas lived in Castle Street Ludgershall</p> <p>Commemorated: Ludgershall War Memorial, St James' Church Memorial Plaque, Salisbury Cathedral Book of Remembrance</p>
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Researched by Patricia Brice 2014