

## *Enoch George Reeves*

Gunner, Royal Field Artillery. Enlisted January 15th, 1917. Served in Belgium; present at the fight for Ostend, June and July, 1917. Killed in action at Nieupoort, July 13th, 1917. "A very gallant soldier" – His C.O. General Service and Victory Medals.



ENOCH REEVES WAS born in Corsham in 1887 to George and Sarah Reeves. Before Enoch's birth the family lived on Pickwick Road in Corsham, and George worked as a quarryman. This was another large Corsham family: twelve children were born in total, of whom ten survived infancy. By 1901 they were living in Pool Green, Neston. Enoch, aged 14, had already left school and was working as an errand boy at the local quarry. His sisters Daisy, Clara and Gladys and his brother Edward were also living at home. In 1911 George and Sarah were still living in Pool Green, but by now Enoch had left home. Sisters Clara and Gladys were both working as glovers. It appears that Enoch emigrated to Canada in 1909 but then married Lucy Fido from Corsham in 1915.

*War Records of Corsham* records that Enoch enlisted with the Army in 1917 and was killed in action in Belgium later that year, on 13th July. He was in the 72nd Infantry Brigade, part of the Canadian Expeditionary Force, and is buried at the Ramscappelle Road Military Cemetery in Belgium. Enoch is listed on the Canadian Virtual War Memorial for WWI.