

*Thomas Sheppard*



Private. Killed in the Great War. (Further particulars unobtainable.)



**T**OM SHEPPARD WAS born in 1890, probably in Box where his family lived in 1891. His father Frederick Sheppard and his mother Annie (née Knott) were both from local families. Frederick was a quarryman and the 1891 census shows that they were living in New Cottages, Box. By 1901 the family had moved to Elley Green, Neston, with Frederick listed as a freestone quarryman, and the large family were still there in 1911. Frederick and Annie had thirteen children according to the 1911 census – ten were recorded as still living at that time – Nelly, Hilda, Lottie, Thomas, Christopher, Vernon, Ernest, Florence, Stanford and Gwendolyn. There is a reference to living in Bay Cottage.

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In 1915 Thomas married Gladys Annetta Lilly and they had a daughter, Joan Lillian, in 1916 – she would have been 18 months old when Thomas lost his life on 2nd August 1917.

Thomas Sheppard was a Gunner in the Royal Field Artillery and is remembered on the War Memorial at Ypres in Belgium.