

Frederick George Davis

Private, Royal Berkshire Regiment. Served in France. Killed in action, October 25th, 1918. Buried at Cambrai. General Service and Victory Medals.



FREDERICK DAVIS WAS born in Westbury in 1880. His father was Sidney Davis from Corsham and his mother was Emily (née Strugnell) from Edington. Sidney was a stone mason journeyman, who in 1881 was living with his family and working in Chelsea in London. By 1891 they were back in Corsham and living in Pickwick – Travellers Rest is noted on the census return, which also confirms Sidney as a stone mason. By 1901 the family had moved to Priory Road (now Priory Street), and Frederick was now a shoe maker.

Sidney and Emily then moved to Wales and in 1911 were in Merthyr Tydfil with their younger children – in total they had twelve children. Frederick had not moved with them but remained in Corsham working as a boot maker – he was living in Moor Green.

Frederick's service record shows that he enlisted in Bristol and that he was a Private in the Royal Berkshire Regiment when he was killed in action on 25th October 1918. He is buried in the Cross Roads Cemetery in Fontaine-au-Bois.