



Holt

World War I Casualty Biographies

William Septimus Harris

William Septimus Harris was born in Holt, c1887 to Tom and Emma Harris. Both his parents had been born in Leicestershire but had moved to Holt, via London, by 1881, when William was the 6th son of a family of 7. The family was living on Ham Green and Tom was working as a leather dresser at the skin factory.

At the age of 14 Will was working as a post errand boy and there had been 3 other children born, but by 1911 he had moved up to Melton Mowbray in Leicestershire to live with his uncle, a boot and shoe maker and was working as a plumber.

He died on 13th February 1919, aged 32, at Melton Mowbray. Possibly a victim of the influenza pandemic which swept through Europe. He is buried at Melton Mowbray (Thorpe Road) Cemetery. Reference 538

William Septimus Harris, Private, DM2/208479 Motor Transport Company Royal Army Service Corps

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