

## Hubert Charles Seviour Gunner 777106, 15 Battery, H.A.A. Regiment, Royal Artillery

Hubert Charles Seviour was born on the 15th October 1909 in Southwick, North Bradley, his birth registered in the March Quarter of 1910 in the Westbury Registration District.

The 1911 Census at Lamberts Marsh, Southwick records the family as:

Joseph Seviour, Head, 39, Farm Labourer, born in Brokerswood; Beatrice, Wife, 38, born in Chitterne; Kate, Daughter, 18, born in Brokerswood; Albert, Son, 15, Farm Labourer, born in Brokerswood; Henry, Son, 13, Farm Labourer, born in Brokerswood; William, Son, 11, Scholar, born in Westbury; Evelyn, Daughter, 10, Scholar, born in North Bradley; Frederick, Son, 9, Scholar, born in Laverton, Somerset; Dorothy, Daughter, 8, Scholar, born in Laverton, Somerset; Winifred, Daughter, 3, born in Southwick; Herbert, Son, 1, born in Southwick;

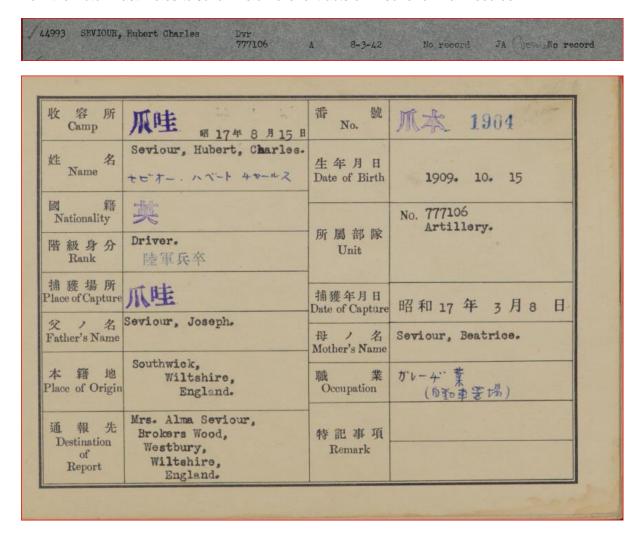
Hubert Charles married Alma Elizabeth Blackmore of Westbury in the December Quarter of 1933, the marriage was registered in the Farnham, Surrey Registration District.

The birth of son David C. Seviour was registered in 1934 in the From Registration District and that of a daughter, Brenda M. Seviour in 1938 in the Warminster registration District.

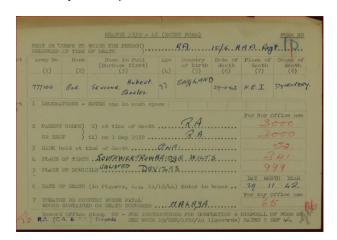
Hubert Charles enlisted at Devizes on the 5th December 1927 for 6½ years. Below is the entry in the enlistment records.

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Hubert Charles Seviour was taken prisoner on the 8th March 1942 in Malaya and was transferred from the Dutch East Indies to Java. Below are extracts of Prisoner of War Records



Hubert died aged 33 on the 29th November 1942 according to the Army Roll of Honour 1939-1945 whilst held as a Prisoner of War by The Japanese. Below is a record of his death of dysentry.



Hubert has no known grave and is commemorated on the Singapore Memorial, Column 30

Hubert Charles is commemorated on the St. Nicholas Church Memorial, North Bradley as Herbert S. Seviour.





His uncle William Seviour of Brokerswood died during WWI.

After the death of Hubert Charles, the war continued and an extract from the Wiltshire Times and Trowbridge Advertiser for the 9th June 1945 records:

## When Bombs Dropped Review of Raids in Trowbridge Area Remarkable Incidents Bombs - But No Warning

At 5.40 am on February 4th 1944, seven bombs fell on land at Rudge Hill Farm and Brokerswood Farm, causing damage to premises known as 'The Lodge', occupied by Mr. Seviour, who was unhurt. These bombs caused terrific craters, but no windows were broken and no sign of fragmentation was found. Some 100lb unexploded incendiary bombs were found.

## **OPC Note:**

Cannot be sure which of the Seviour family is mentioned here since both his parents were still living, it would be expected that both to be mentioned in the news article if it was Hubert's parents.

In the December Quarter of 1954 a marriage between Alma E. Seviour and Kenneth G. Randall was registered in the Warminster Registration District.