

Derrick Musson

Private 1/6th Bn., South Staffordshire Regiment

Died on 07 August 1944 Age 19

Service number 14578426

Memorial St. Manvieu War Cemetery, Cheux

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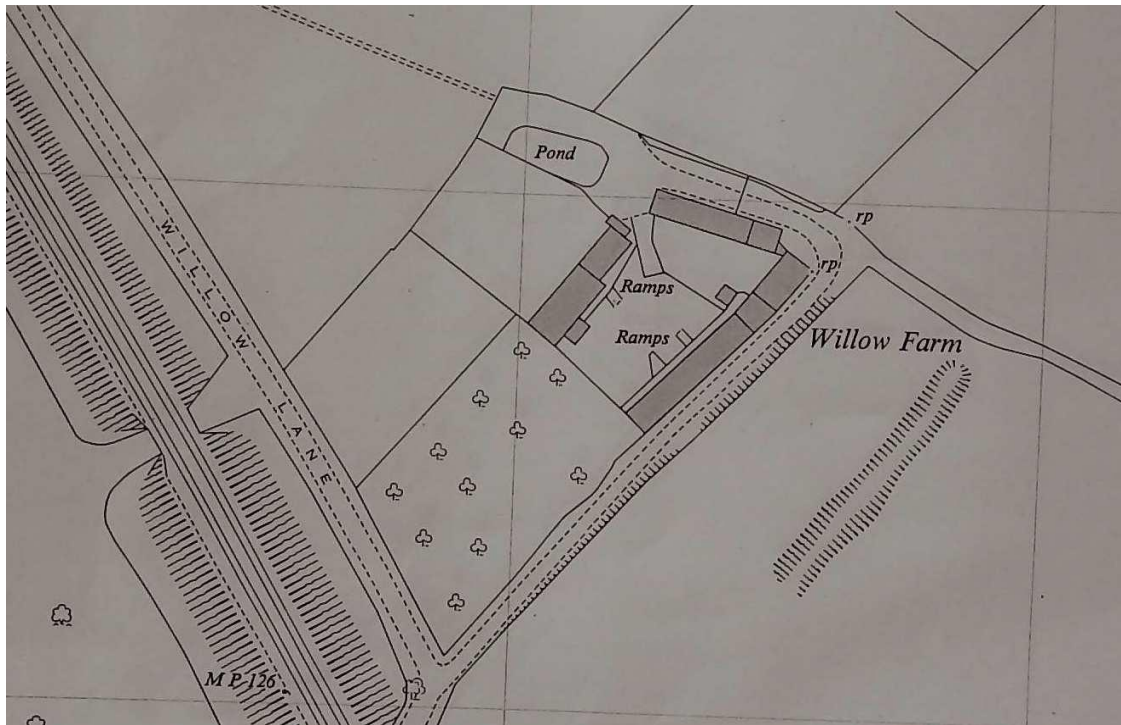
Derrick Musson the son of Percy and Florence Edith (nee Skelton) Musson married in South Kyme Lincolnshire on 12th February 1907. Percy's residence at the time of their marriage was 'Manor Farm, Gedling.

They had 2 daughters

- Florence Jane, born 1907 birth registered in the Basford R D in the December quarter of that year.
- Mary Skelton, born on 14th May 1909 registered in the Basford RD. (died in the December quarter of 2000)



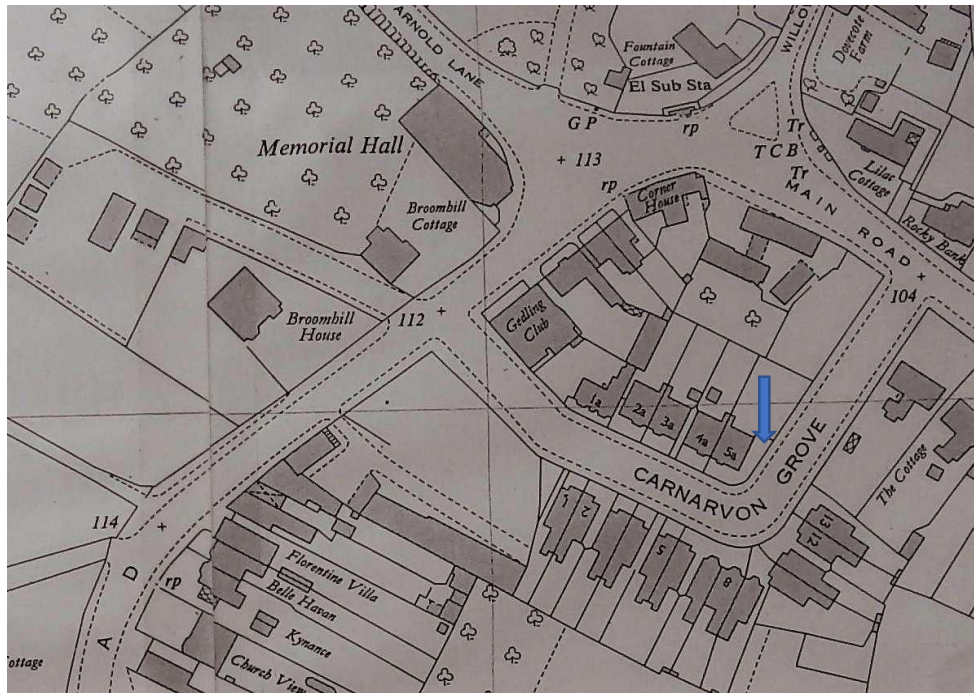
On the 1911 census the family were living with Percy's father William at Willow Farm Gedling.



Derrick was born in 1925 his birth being registered in the Basford RD in the March quarter of that year.

His father Percy died the same year also registered in Basford RD in the March quarter of that year.

At some point the family moved to 13 Carnarvon Grove Florence is listed on Electoral Rolls from 1921 and is there on the 1939 register. The two daughters are added when they were eligible to vote, Florence in 1929 and Mary in 1931.



Derrick would be eligible for conscription when he became 18 in 1943. He joined the 1/6 Btn of the South Staffordshire Regiment. He was part of the invasion force on D Day and died in the fighting that took place between Tilly-sur-Seulles and Caen from mid-June to late-July 1944. Derrick died on 7th August 1944. He is buried and commemorated in the St. Manvieu War Cemetery, Cheux Normandy.

His death was noted in the All Hallows Parish Magazine

It is with great regret that we hear of the death of Derrick Musson of Carnarvon Grove. An only son of his parents, he was under twenty years old.

Derricks death was reported in the Nottingham Evening Post of 18 &19 August 1944

LOCAL CASUALTIES.

Private Derrick Musson 13 Carnarvon Grove, Gedling has been killed in Normandy.

A notice was also put in the Personal column of the Nottingham Evening Post on 28 November 1945

MUSSON – Derrick, 21st Birthday. Happy memories for November 28th , killed in Normandy 1944. Till we meet again – Mother Jennie and Mary.