

## Robert Turgoose



Private 14th Bn., Sherwood Foresters (Notts and Derby Regiment)

Service number 4981978,

Died on 20 April 1944 Age 29

Memorial. Beach Head War Cemetery, Anzio

Inscription 'In loving memory of my dear husband Bob, some day we shall meet again, Vera',

<https://www.cwgc.org/find-records/find-war-dead/casualty-details/2374169/ROBERT%20TURGOOSE/>

Son of Robert and Emma Turgoose, of Carlton, Nottinghamshire. Robert (born 8 August 1886) and Emma (nee Musson born c1883) were married in 1907, their marriage being recorded in the Basford R D in the December quarter of that year. Robert was born on 18 September 1914 Birth registered in the Basford RD.

In 1911 Robert Snr aged 24 and Emma aged 28 were visitors, presumably at his parents at 53 Grove Road, Lenton. Robert's occupation was that of a cycle packer in a cycle works. Also listed is a daughter Nora Turgoose aged 2, born in Carlton in 1908 birth registered in Basford RD in the June quarter of that year

Robert Jnr was born on 18 September 1914.

On the Electoral Register for 1928 and 1931 Robert Snr and Emma are living on Standhill Road, Emma probably died in 1932 aged 50, registered in Basford RD in the December quarter.

On the 1939 register Robert Snr is living at 47 Valley Road, Carlton, a widower, occupation 'general labourer'.

On the 1939 Register Robert Jnr is living at 11 Freeman's Terrace Carlton with Frances Sycamore aged 59, possibly his mother in law, his occupation is listed as 'van driver for a lace warehouse'. There is also a closed entry for this household which is possibly for Frances' daughter Vera. Robert Jnr married Vera Sycamore in 1939 the marriage being registered in the Basford RD in the June quarter of that year, a few months before the 1939 register was compiled.



Robert was probably conscripted in 1941, He became a Private in the 14th Bn., Sherwood Foresters (Notts and Derby Regiment)

In February 1944, the brigade sailed to Italy and took part in the Anzio campaign (February–May 1944) under the command of the 1st Infantry Division.

Robert Jnr was killed on 20 April 1944.

He is buried in the Beach Head War Cemetery, at Anzio

For photographs and details of this cemetery please see the website.

<https://www.findagrave.com/cemetery/2148385/beach-head-war-cemetery>

Vera went on to remarry, to Samuel W Roe, in 1948 registered in the Basford RD and had a daughter Brenda Roe who was born in 1951



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Holds one we loved so dear,  
A smiling face that won't come home  
When they sound the last all clear.  
—Loving Wife Vera and Mother-in-law (Carlton).

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But 'neath a foreign sky,  
Far from those who love him dear,  
In a hero's grave he lies,  
—From sorrowing Mam, Dad, Win (Carlton), and Ted (prisoner of war).

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One sad year has passed away since  
our great sorrow fell,  
The shock that we received that day  
we still remember well;  
We think of him in silence, we always  
speak his name,  
But all we have to look at is his  
photograph in a frame.  
—Nora, Bert and Margaret (Gedling).

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