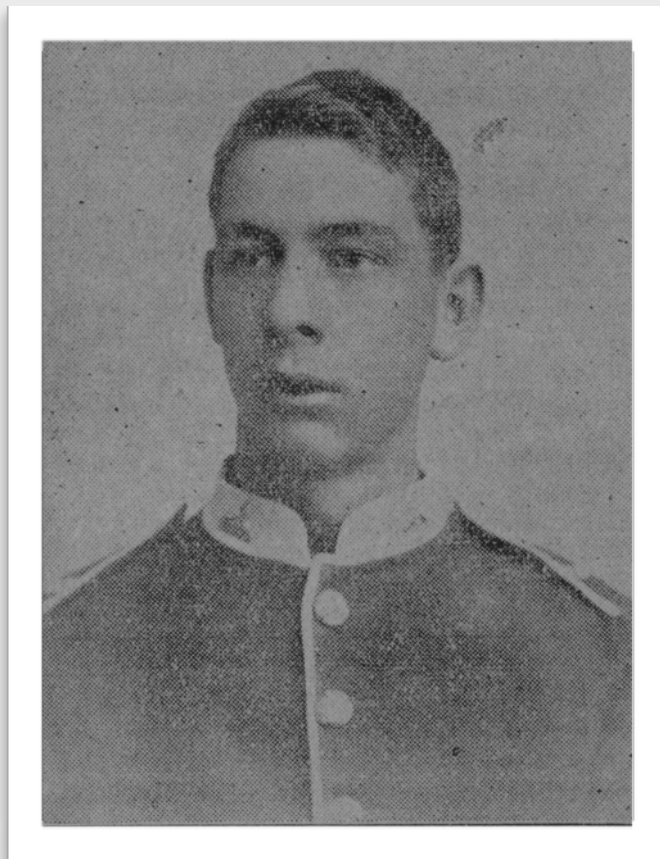


Cheltenham & Gloucester Branch
of
The Western Front Association

Remembering one of Gloucestershire's Fallen



Corporal Alfred Thomas Fortey (7498)
1st Battalion Gloucestershire Regiment

Alfred Thomas Fortey was born in Gloucester in 1884, the son of William and Mary Jane Fortey. His mother died when he was six years of age and his father later remarried.

He worked as a labourer for Mr James Byard, builder, and also served, pre-war, in the Gloucestershire Regiment (although the record of his service has not survived).

He later moved to Cinderford and in 1911 married Charlotte Annie Rudge. The couple lived with her parents at 2 Church Road, Cinderford and they had one daughter. Alfred worked as a builder's labourer.

On the outbreak of war, as a reservist, he was recalled to the Gloucestershire Regiment, and joined the 1st Battalion in France on 27 August 1914.

Corporal Alfred Thomas Fortey was killed in action on 22 September 1916, aged 32 years, and was buried at Flatiron Copse Cemetery, Mametz, Somme. He is remembered on Cinderford town war memorial.

Although no family information is recorded in the cemetery register, his father William and stepmother Jane lived at 20 Morpeth Road, Gloucester.