

Frederick Eustace

Born October 1888

Died 24th March 1918 Age 29

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Fred Eustace was born in Aston Upthorpe to George and Edith Eustace. George was from Hagbourne, and in the 1891 census at Aston Upthorpe, had given his occupation as shepherd. Edith came from Aston, near Henley, and by then they had four children. Fred was the third.

By 1901 the family was at Charlock's Farm, Garford, and George was the cattleman there. He and Edith had six children by then and his brother, an agricultural labourer, sister and nephew were also living in the house. Fred, now 12 was a scholar. Two more children were born and baptised at West Hanney.

The 1911 census shows Fred had left home and was at Drayton Grange, Stadhampton, working as an agricultural labourer and lodging with Joseph Lay, a carter on the farm, and his family.

This is the last entry for Fred before the war and no record actually shows him living in Hanney. However, the 1911 census lists his parents and some siblings living at Barnstaples Farm, East Hanney, where George and two of Fred's brothers were farm labourers. The family then stay at Barnstaples as Edith and George are listed as living there from their burial records in 1921 and 1930 respectively.