
Charles Frederick ALDOUS (1892-1956)

Charles Frederick ALDOUS's connection to Dickleburgh is by birth, residency and death.

Charles Frederick ALDOUS, son of Walter Frederick ALDOUS (c. 1864-1948) and Ellen Gertrude CHILVERS (c. 1867-1940), was born on 20 September 1892 in Dickleburgh, Norfolk.^{1,2} He was baptised on 24 May 1896 in Dickleburgh - baptised at the same time as brother Ernest, parents Walter (coalporter) and Ellen Gertrude (nee Chilvers).¹

He appeared in the census in 1901 at Chapel Road in Dickleburgh - 8, living with parents Walter (37, bricklayer) and Ellen (34), and siblings Gertrude (11), Ernest (5), Florence (2) and Unnamed (under 1 month).³ He appeared in the census in 1911 at The Common in Dickleburgh - 18, brush maker, living with parents Walter Frederick (46, plumber) and Ellen Gertrude (44), and siblings Ernest Edward (15, yard boy), Florence Mabel (12, scholar), Ellen Agnes (10, scholar), Maisie Maud (7), Alice Amelia (6) and Albert Archibald (3).⁴ From 9 March 1916 to 18 May 1917 he served on home soil.

On 9 March 1916 he was called up for service. On 10 March 1916 Charles was posted to Norfolk Regiment Depot and to 10th Battalion on 11.03.1916, private 24340. Charles was transferred on 1 September 1916 to 25th Training Reserve Battalion Norfolk Regiment. He was transferred on 29 December 1916 to 2nd (Home Service) Garrison Battalion Suffolk Regiment, private 46667. On 28 February 1917 he was attached to the 3rd Battalion Bedford Regiment. He was re-transferred on 24 March 1917 to 3rd Norfolk Regiment.

From 19 May 1917 to 19 August 1919 he was in the British Expeditionary Force. On 19 May 1917 he was posted to 10th Battalion Depot and joined the next day. He was transferred on 12 June 1917 to 10th Battalion Depot Royal Fusiliers. On 18 August 1918 he was in the Norfolk War Hospital, Thorpe, Norwich with a simple fracture of the parietal bone, transferred to the Cawston RCH on 06.09.1918 and released on 15.10.1918. He was transferred on 11 March 1919 to Royal West Kent Regiment, private 21906.

From 20 August 1919 to 25 November 1919 he served on home soil. He was re-transferred on 25 November 1919 to Class "Z" Army Reserve on demobilization.

He appeared in the census in 1921 at High Common in Dickleburgh - 28, brush maker employed by builder Mr. W. Simmer, living with parents Walter F (56, bricklayer and wellsinker employed by builder Mr. W. Simmer) and Ellen G (54, home duties), and

siblings Archibald (13), Molly M (9) and Ronald (5).⁵

He was recorded on the 1939 Register living at 7 Council Houses Rectory Road in Dickleburgh. - b. 20.09.1892, brush maker, living with parents and 2 siblings.⁶

Charles died on 12 August 1956 in Dickleburgh.^{7,8} He was buried on 15 August 1956 in Dickleburgh, the ceremony was conducted by Rev. M R PEACOCK.⁹ He had his estate probated on 29 August 1956 in Norwich, Norfolk - ALDOUS Charles Frederick of 7 Rectory-road Dickleburgh Norfolk died 12 August 1956 Administration Norwich 29 August to Gertrude Mary Aldous [sister] spinster. Effects £310 11s. 10d.⁸

Notes:

The service records for Ernest are full of notes on transfers and postings. Some are contradictory but hopefully the more important events are correct and in order.

Charles's brother Ernest Edward also served in The Great War.

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