

## Arthur CARMAN (1898-c. 1988)

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**Arthuir Carman's connection to North Lopham is by birth, residency and death.**

**Arthur CARMAN**, son of James CARMAN (1858-1942) and Emma COLLINGS (1868-c. 1941), was born on 17 February 1898 in North Lopham, Norfolk - mothers maiden name COLLINGS..<sup>1</sup>

On 31 Mar 1901, (the 1901 Census), he was living at The Village in North Lopham - 3, living with parents James (42, farm labourer) and Emma (33), and siblings William (12, farm labourer), Maude (11, scholar), Laura (9, scholar), Percy (8, scholar), Thomas (5, scholar) and Florence (4).<sup>2</sup>

At the time of the 1911 Census, Arthur was living at The Green in North Lopham - 13, cow boy, living with parents James (54, cow man) and Emma (43), and siblings Percy (18, cow boy), Thomas (15, cow boy), Albert (9, scholar), Alfred (6, scholar), Harry (3) and Lance (2).<sup>3</sup>

Arthur was attested into the army on 30 May 1916 at Norwich and the next day placed on the Army Reserve. On the 5 October he was mobilised and on the 6 October was posted to the Norfolk Regiment, Ser. No. 26600. He transferred to the Machine Gun Corps on 12 December 1916, Ser. No. 82247, and by April 1917 was part of the British Expeditionary Force in France. On 22 October 1917 he received a gun shot wound in the left shoulder. He returned to home soil on 24 October 1917 and had a furlough from 17 to 27 November 1917. He returned to France on 29 March 1918. Arthur was gassed (mild thankfully) on 22 April 1918. He returned home on 1 January 1919 to prepare for demobilisation. On the 11 February 1919 he was transferred to Class "Z" Army Reserve.

The 1921 Census (held on 19 Jun 1921) shows Arthur in Kenninghall, Norfolk - 23y 4m, farm labourer employed by farmer Bilham WOODS, living with parents James (63y 2m, farm labourer) and Emma (53y 1m, household duties), and siblings Albert (19y 9m, farm labourer), Alfred (17y 2m, butcher), Harry (13y 7m) and Lance (12y 7m).<sup>4</sup>

Arthur and **Annie Matilda TAYLOR** had marriage banns published on 12 November 1922 in North Lopham - other dates read were 19.11.1922 and 26.11.1922; banns also read on the same days at Kenninghall.<sup>5</sup> He married her on 2 December 1922 in North Lopham - groom: 24, single, a labourer from Kenninghall; bride 22, single from North Lopham.. The marriage was witnessed by Ellis Ernest Albert TAYLOR and Edgar CROWE. The ceremony was conducted by Rev. C J EASTWOOD.<sup>6 7</sup>

He was recorded on the 1939 Register living at Park Cottage, The Green in North Lopham - b. 17.02.1898, farm labourer, living with wife Annie M (b. 03.08.1900, unpaid domestic duties), son Ronald (b. 21.06.1924, scholar), and 2 closed records.<sup>8</sup>

He died circa 1988 in North Lopham - born 17.02.1898.<sup>9</sup> He was buried on 18 February 1988 in North Lopham - aged 89 years.

### **Wife and known children:**

Annie Matilda TAYLOR, daughter of Ellis Ernest Albert TAYLOR ( - ), was born on 3 August 1900 in Kenninghall. She died circa 1984 in North Lopham. She was buried on 10 December 1984 in North Lopham - aged 84 years.<sup>10</sup> She and Arthur CARMAN had the following children:

Ronald CARMAN (1924- )

## The Lopham Project (Family Historian Report)

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