

Tertullus Perry

Battery Quartermaster Sergeant 1046329 Royal Artillery



Tertullus was born on 15th May 1898 at Brownhills, Staffordshire to Benjamin and Susannah Perry. He was one of a family of five, with two brothers and two sisters. By 1911 his father had died and the family had moved to Castleford, Yorkshire.

Military records show that Tertullus served during the 1914 – 1918 World War, but detailed records of his service were lost during the Blitz in 1940. In 1938 Tertullus was awarded the Long Service and Good Conduct Medal, awarded after 18 years of service.

Tertullus married Rose Frances Brown at Brighton in 1925 and they had two children, a son Roy and a daughter Joyce. The 1930 Electoral Registers for Woolwich, London show that Tertullus and Rose lived at Newnham, Woolwich, home of the Royal Artillery base. In 1934 Tertullus and his family arrived back in England from Brisbane, Australia on board the P&O line S.S. Ballarat docking in London on 4th December. Tertullus was described as a professional soldier and it is probable he had been serving on secondment with the Australian Army. The family's intended place of residence was Bakers Lane, Shipley. His children attended Shipley School from 1939 to 1942 when they transferred to Coolham School.



Tertullus died aged 44 on 1st February 1942. At the time of his death he was serving with the 4th Field Training Regiment based in the South of England. His death was recorded on Casualty List 750 on 18 February 1942, no cause was given but it is possible he lost his life in a training accident. Tertullus was awarded the War Medal 1939 – 1945 and 1939 – 1945 Star.

Tertullus is laid to rest in St Mary's Churchyard, Shipley. His headstone is inscribed "In life one of the finest, in death one of the brave".



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War Medal 1939 – 1945



Long Service and Good Conduct Medal



1939 – 1945 Star

In Memory of
Battery Quartermaster Serjeant
Tertullus Perry

1046239, Royal Artillery who died on 01 February 1942 Age 44

Son of Benjamin John and Susan Perry; husband of Rose Frances Perry, of Dragon's Green.

Remembered with Honour
Shipleigh (St. Mary) Churchyard



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