
Arthur KERRY (c. 1862-c. 1914)

Arthur Kerry's connection to North Lopham is by birth, residence and death.

Arthur KERRY, son of James KERRY (c. 1831-c. 1878) and Anne LEATHERS (c. 1839-), was born circa 1862 in North Lopham, Norfolk.¹ He was baptised on 19 July 1863 in North Lopham - parents James (labourer) and Anne²

At the time of the 1871 Census, Arthur was living at Little Common in North Lopham - 9, living with parents James (40, agricultural labourer) and Ann (30), and siblings Ellen (7), Laura (4) and Albert (1).³

Arthur was attested into the military on 13 February 1883 at Bury St. Edmunds, Suffolk. From 13 February 1883 to 9 December 1883 he served on home soil. He joined at Bury St. Edmunds on 14 February 1883 Suffolk Regiment and then 'M' Company on 15.02.1883. He was transferred on 11 July 1883 to 2nd Battalion Suffolk Regiment, private, ser. no. 459, and to the 1st Battalion on 15.12.1883. From 13 December 1883 to 30 March 1886 he served in the East Indies. On 15 January 1884 he landed in India. On 15 February 1886 he was recommended for discharge through deafness as deemed unfit for service. On 4 May 1886 he was finally discharged having served for 3 years and 81 days.

In the 1901 Census (31 Mar 1901) he appeared at The Village in North Lopham - 39, agricultural labourer, lodging in the household of Martha Ann SMITH (widow, 59, licensed victualler probably at The Bull Inn).⁴

Arthur appeared in the 1911 Census at The Bull Inn in North Lopham - 49, agricultural labourer, lodging in the household of Martha Ann SMITH (widow, 70, licensed victualler).⁵

Arthur died circa 1914 - aged 52 years.⁶

Sources

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