Nottingham Road Cemetery, Derby, Derbyshire War Grave



Lest We Forget

World War 1



11832 PRIVATE

F. JORDAN

NOTTS. & DERBY REGIMENT 22ND FEBRUARY, 1919 Age 24

He Fought The Good Fight

Frederic JORDAN

Frederic Jordan was born on 18th August, 1894 at Bradley, Derby, England to parents Herbert & Sarah Jane Jordan (nee Ratcliffe). His birth was registered in September quarter, 1894 in the district of Ashbourne, Derbyshire, England. Frederic Jordan was baptised on 16th September, 1894 in Parish Church, Bradley, Derby, Derbyshire, England. The family lived at Bradley & Herbert Jordan was listed as a Labourer.

The 1901 England Census recorded Frederick_Jordan as a 6 year old, living with his family at Hazelwood Road, Duffield, Derbyshire, England. His parents were listed as Herbert Jordan (Groom Gardener Domestic, aged 27, born Hill Cliff, Derby) & Sarah Jane Jordan (aged 27, born Yeaveley, Derby). Frederick was the eldest if three children listed on this Census – Frederick then Alice M. Jordan (aged 3, born Repton, Derby) & Hubert J. Jordan (aged 1, born Repton, Derby).

The 1911 England Census recorded Frederic Jordan as a 16 year old Gardener's Assistant Domestic, living with his family at King Street. Duffield, Derby, England. His parents were listed as Herbert Jordan (Gardener, Domestic, aged 37, born Turnditch, Derbyshire) & Sarah Jane Jordan (aged 37). Sarah Jane & Herbert Jordan had been married for 17 years & had a total of six children – one who had since died. Their five children were listed on this Census – Frederic, then Alice Mary Jordan (Mother's Help, aged 13), John Edward Jordan (At School, aged 8, born Duffield, Derbyshire), Robert Jordan (At School, aged 6, born Duffield, Derbyshire) & Frank Jordan (At School, aged 3, born Duffield, Derbyshire). Also listed was James Ratcliffe – father-in-law of Herbert Jordan (Sarah Jane's father) (Retired Farm Labourer on Old age Pension, aged 73, married, born Stydd, Derbyshire).

Frederic Jordan joined British Army. He was posted to 2nd Battalion, Nottingham & Derby Regiment (later known as Sherwood Foresters) with a Regimental number of 11832. (According to Army Service Numbers Blog – Regimental number 11897 joined 13th June, 1912.)

Private Frederic Jordan first entered a Theatre of War on 8th September, 1914 (as per Medal Index Car (see below) & 1914 Star Medal Roll).

Sherwood Foresters

August 1914: in Sheffield. Moved to Edinburgh on mobilisation.

14 August 1914: moved to Cambridge and came under orders of 18th Brigade in 6th Division.

11 September 1914 : landed at St Nazaire.

27 October 1915: transferred to 71st Brigade in same Division.

(Information from The Long, Long Trail)

According to details listed on the 1914 Star Medal Roll – Private Frederick Jordan was a Prisoner of War.

Newspaper item - The Nottingham Evening Post, Nottinghamshire, England - 5 February, 1915:

SHERWOOD FORESTERS

454 REPORTED MISSING

The casualty lists issued last night contained the name of 454 Sherwood Foresters reported missing under date December 10th.

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JACKSON, 9250 Pte G.; Jamieson, 9907, Sergt W.;.....Jordan, 11832, Pte S.

KEETON, 10524, Pte W.;......

Private Frederic Jordan was repatriated & arrived at Hull, England from Germany on 18th November, 1918. Base Records, A.I.F., advised Mr S. Jordon, Neich Parade, Burwood, Sydney, NSW, on 9th December, 1918 that "No. 11832, F. Jordan, Notts & Derby Regiment (Sherwood Foresters) had been repatriated from Germany & arrived at Hull on 18/11/18...."

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Newspaper item - The Mansfield Report and Sutton Times, Nottinghamshire, England - 15 March, 1918:

SHERWOOD FORESTER PRISONERS

LARGE NUMBER ARRIVE IN HOLLAND FOR INTERNMENT

The following Sherwood Foresters who are prisoners of war in Germany have arrived in Holland for internment:-E. Astill 10374,F. Jordan 11832, J. Kelly 11456......

[In September, 1940, as a result of a fire by an incendiary bomb at the War Office Record Store, Arnside Street, London, England approximately two thirds of 6.5 million soldiers' documents for World War 1 UK Soldiers were destroyed. It appears that Private Frederic Jordan's records were destroyed.]

Private Frederic Jordan died on 22nd February, 1919 at Military Hospital, Derby, England from Pneumonic Influenza.

A death for Frederic Jordan, aged 24, was registered in the March quarter, 1919 in the district of Derby, Derbyshire, England.

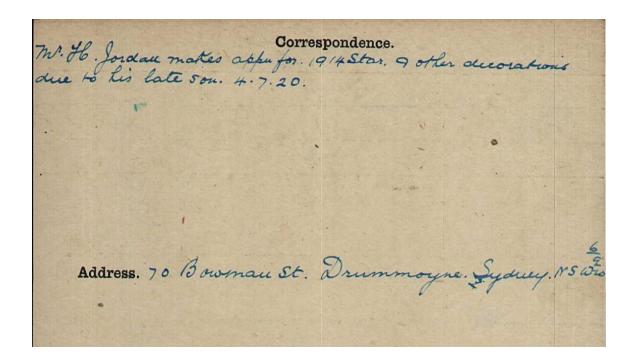
Private Frederic Jordan was buried in Nottingham Road Cemetery, Derby, Derbyshire, England – Plot number 19908 (C.) and has a Commonwealth War Graves Commission headstone.

The UK Army Registers of Soldiers' Effects 1901 – 1929 recorded two entries for Private Frederick Jordan, 11832, 2nd Notts Derby Regiment. Both entries recorded he died on 2nd February, 1919 at Military Hospital, Derby.

Private Frederic Jordan was entitled to 1914 Star, British War Medal & the Victory Medal.

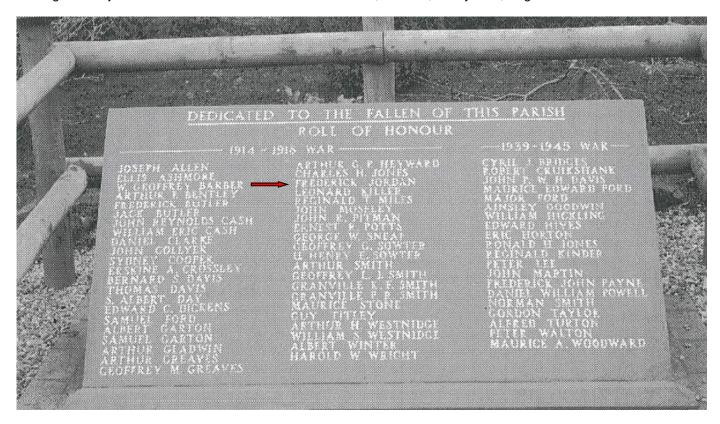
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Medal Index Card for Private Frederick Jordan



The Commonwealth War Graves Commission lists Private Frederic Jordan – service number 11832, aged 24, of 2nd Bn., Sherwood Foresters (Notts and Derby Regiment). He was the son of Herbert & Sarah Jane Jordan, of "Sherwood" Prince Edward St., Gladesville, Sydney, New South Wales. Late of Duffield, Derbyshire.

Frederick Jordan is remembered on the Duffield WW1 & WW2 Tablet, currently located in the Millenium Garden & seating area at junction with Town Street & Wirksworth Road, Duffield, Derbyshire, England.



Duffield WW1 & WW2 Tablet (Photo from IWM)

Frederick Jordan is remembered on the Duffield War Memorial Cross, located at Church Drive, Duffield, Derbyshire, England.



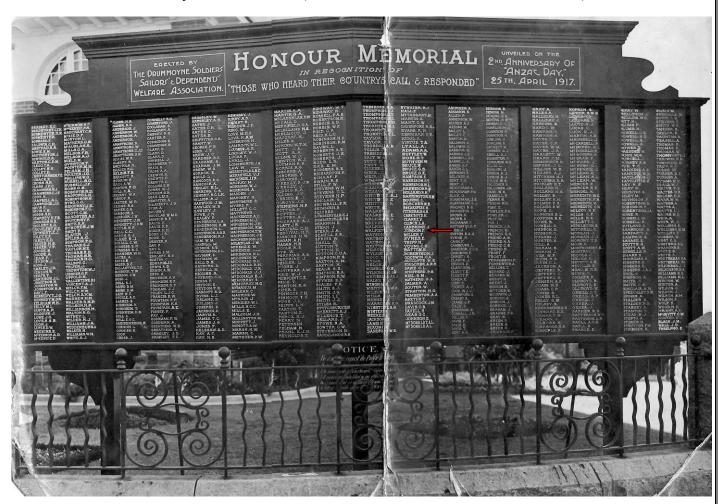
Duffield War Memorial Cross (Photos from War Memorials Online)



F. Jordan is remembered on the Drummoyne War Memorial, located at corner of Lyons Road & Marlborough Street, Drummoyne, Sydney, New South Wales, Australia.



Drummoyne War Memorial (Photo from AWM Places of Pride – Nick Andriotakis)



Earlier Memorial - Drummoyne Soldiers & Sailors Memorial (Photo from Canada Bay Heritage Society)



Private Frederic Jordan, 11832, 2nd Battalion, Sherwood Foresters (Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Regiment) is remembered on the Commemorative Roll Book, located in the Commemorative Area at the Australian War Memorial, Canberra. The Commemorative Roll records the names of those Australians who died during or as a result of wars in which Australians served, but who were not serving in the Australian Armed Forces and therefore not eligible for inclusion on the Roll of Honour.

[Note: It appears that Private Frederic Jordan's name on the Commemorative Roll <u>may be in error</u>. There are no records to show that he lived in Australia.

Records have been found that his mother Mrs Sarah J. Jordan (age 40), his sister Alice M. Jordan (aged 16) & brothers John E. Jordan (aged 11), Robert Jordan (aged 9) & Frank Jordan (aged 6) were passengers on Benalla which departed from London, England on 25th September, 1913 bound for Australia. Mr Herbert Jordan, it is assumed, would have travelled to Australia beforehand.

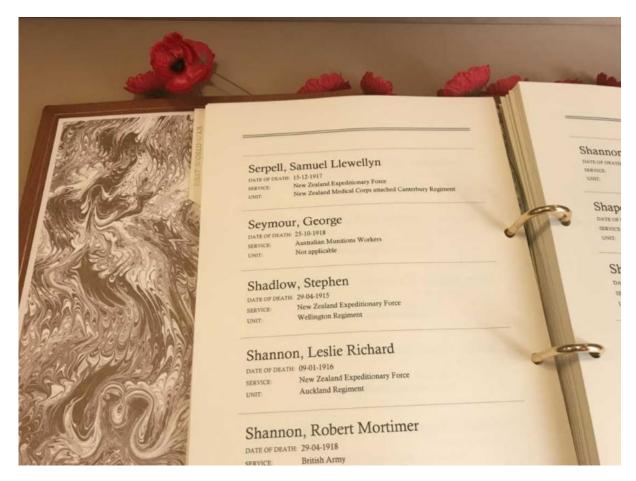
When the Commemorative Roll was compiled, it was based on the assumption that if a soldier's next-of-kin's address was listed as Australia it was assumed that the soldier would be an Australian or also lived in Australia.]



Commemorative Roll (Photo from AWM)



Commemorative Area of the Australian War Memorial (Capital Photographer)



Example of names in Commemorative Roll Book

Information obtained from the CWGC & Australian War Memorial (Commemorative Roll)



Newspaper Items

DEATHS

JORDAN – February 22, 1919, at the military hospital, Derby, England, Cpl Fred. Jordan, Sherwood Foresters, died from pneumonic influenza, aged 24 years. He served seven years in the B.E.F. of which 3 ½ years a prisoner of war in Germany. The dearly loved eldest son of Mr and Mrs H. Jordan, 70 Bowman-street, Drummoyne.

(The Sydney Morning Herald, NSW - 7 May, 1919)

Commonwealth War Graves Commission

The Commonwealth War Graves Commission cares for cemeteries and memorials in 23,000 locations, in 153 countries. In all 1.7 million men and women from the Commonwealth forces from WWI and WWII have been honoured and commemorated in perpetuity.

The Commonwealth War Graves Commission, as part of its mandate, is responsible for commemorating all Commonwealth war dead individually and equally. To this end, the war dead are commemorated by name on a headstone, at an identified site of a burial, or on a memorial. War dead are commemorated uniformly and equally, irrespective of military or civil rank, race or creed.

Not all service personnel have a Commonwealth War Graves Commission headstone. In some instances the relative chose to have their own memorial/headstone placed on the deceased's grave. These private headstones are not maintained by the CWGC as they have no jurisdiction to maintain them.

Private F. Jordan has a Commonwealth War Graves Commission headstone with the following inscription:

He Fought The Good Fight

Nottingham Road Cemetery, Derby, Derbyshire, England

Nottingham Road Cemetery, Derby contains 193 First World War burials and 134 from the Second World War. There is a small war graves plot of about 40 burials from both wars, the rest of the graves are scattered throughout the cemetery. (Information from CWGC)



Nottingham Road Cemetery, Derby (Photo from Find a Grave – Clanger)



Nottingham Road Cemetery, Derby

(Photo above from Find a Grave – Baddiley Ram; below from CWGC)



Photo of Private F. Jordan's Commonwealth War Graves Commission Headstone in Nottingham Road Cemetery, Derby, Derbyshire, England.



(Photo from Find a Grave – Julia&keld)