

BOARD, James

James Board was born in Buckland St Mary, Somerset in 1895. He was the second son of Shaddrack Board (b 1866 in Buckland St Mary) and Clara Minnie (b 1869 in Otterford Somerset).

In 1901 the family was living at the Dairy House, Whitestaunton and the children were: William (11), Mary (9), James (6), Ernest (4) and Arthur Lionel (2), Mabel Lucy (1) and Elsie (Ethel Ellen - 6 months).

In 1911 the family was living in Yarty Dairy, Membury and Shaddrach was working as a dairyman. From the birth places of the children, they moved after Elsie was born on 1901, and Ethel (1903) and Frank (1908) were born in Colyford. Dorothy Clara Mary was born in 1911 in Membury.

James however, was working as a cowman at Membury Court Farm, living with William Stone (24) his mother Fanny, and his children, Dora (11), Ella, Daniel, Ida, Hilda, Ralph, Meta and Myra (twins aged 3).

Also living there was Mary Loveridge (50) and Emma Parker (the sister of William Parker – who was killed in September 1915).

James Board is shown as being in the Devonshire Regiment (no 2874), Devonshire Regiment (201125) and Essex Regiment (253192)