

DENSLOW, Sidney James (known as Jim)

Sidney James Denslow (known as Jim) was born in Membury on 26 November 1896. His parents were John Denslow, a stonemason (b 1864 in Membury) and Emma (b 1868 in Offwell).

In 1901 the family lived on Greendown, Membury: John (37) and Emma (33) and siblings, Jack (8), Mabel (5), Jim (4) and Margaret (1).

In 1911 Jim, aged 14, was living with his parents John (47), and Emma (43) and siblings, Mabel E (15), Margaret C (11), William Job (9), Irene Mary (6), Nellie Merina (3) at Battens, Membury.

Called Sidney Denslow, he was recorded in the Army Ordnance Corps (01387) and Devonshire Regiment (31688). His brother Jack also served in the war.

In the summer of 1926, there is a newspaper report of Sidney James, second son of Mr and Mrs J Denslow of Greendown, married Mavel Alexandra Mary Down, youngest daughter of late Mr and Mrs W C. Down at Membury Church. The Rev S Lucy officiated. The bride who was given away by her brother Mr C. W Down, was attired in a Royal Air Force blue dress with hat to match, and carried a bouquet of sweet peas and roses. The bridesmaid, Nellie Denslow, sister of the groom, wore a blue crepe-do-chine dress and black picture hat and earrings. Mr W J D Denslow, brother of the groom was best man. The bells were rung in honour of the event.

Sidney James Denslow died early in 1981 (reg in Honiton)