

Photo - Terry Enoch

ALFRED WILLIAM GEORGE ENOCH, Military Medal

Army Number 2528

Lance-Corporal, 1/5 Gloucestershire Regiment

Killed in action in France on 21 July 1916, aged 24

Parents' address: Camden, Croft Street, Leckhampton

He has no known grave but is commemorated on the Thiepval Memorial and included on the Cheltenham, Leckhampton and St Philip and St James's War Memorials. In Leckhampton Churchyard a wooden cross bears his name.

Alfred Enoch was born in Cheltenham, the son of William Charles and Constance Fanny Enoch of the above address and also of Moorend Villas, Moorend Road, Leckhampton. His brother, Corporal G W Enoch, also served in the war and was wounded in action on 23 August 1916.

Alfred Enoch played for the Cheltenham Old Boys Football Club and was a former member of the Territorial Army, rejoining his unit in August 1914 at Cheltenham. He was sent abroad on 29 March 1915 and distinguished himself three times, once in September 1915 at Hébuterne, for which he was promoted to Lance-Corporal, and again on 15 November 1915 and during at the capture of Ovillers during the battle of Bazentin, when he met his death, following which he was awarded a Military Medal for Bravery in the Field.

These three "Flanders Crosses" in the churchyard (Block J) are copies of original wooden crosses which had marked the spot where the soldiers had fallen. L/Cpl Enoch's name is on the one in front.



