

**Private Edward Linton Hodson** 1392 Army Cyclist Corps died on 09/03/1915. He has no known grave but is commemorated on the Touret Memorial.

He was the son of Mrs. Ellen Ryves, of 33, West St., Retford, Notts.

I have failed to locate any report of his death in the Retford Times. Some War Office Service Records survived the enemy bombing of the second war and although partially charred provide some information.

According to his Army Attestation document he was born in the parish of East Retford and at the time of his enlistment on 07/10/1914 was 20 years and 2 months of age. He gave his occupation as drayman. He was 5ft 7½ inches in height, of dark complexion, with grey eyes and dark brown hair. He was single. He had worked for Mr Marshall, grocer, Market Square Retford for 2½ years before enlisting who was happy to agree that he was sober and honest.

Army Form 5080 dated 31/03/1919 lists his living relatives

Stepfather James Ryves

Mother Ellen Ryves

Brother Charles Hodson aged 24

Brother George Hodson aged 21

6 other half brothers and sisters all of 33 West Street, Retford

Roy Beadley, a current member of Grove Street Methodist Church, has provided the information that Edwin Linton Hodson was born in West Street, Retford and was a half-brother to the late Mrs Gwen Bredley, Roy's mother.