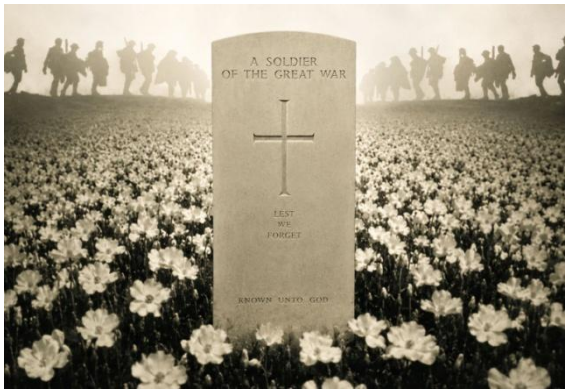






Eric Hamilton Fryer

1896 – 1916

Civilian Research

Field Name	Field Data	Source of data
Casualty Name	Eric Hamilton Fryer	CWGCs
Date of Birth	Registered Jun Qtr 1896 in Hendon Born Wembley	GRO 1911 census on FMP
Date of Death (from Spreadsheet)	3/8/1916	CWGC
Age at death (from Spreadsheet	20 (how was this determined as it doesn't mention his age on CWGC)	
Marital Status	I'm assuming not	
Children (if any)	ditto	
Occupation prior to Call up	In 1911 he was working as a clerk in an estate agent	1911 census on FMP
Parents	George W and Annie J	1911 census on FMP

Listed Address(s)	1911: Mentmore, Sudbury, Harrow 1901: Talbot Road, Wembley	1911 census on FMP 1901 census
Parents /Fathers occupation	Accountant for a house furnisher	1911 census on FMP
Brothers and Sisters	Henry N (older) and George R (younger)	1911 census on FMP
Years at John Lyon School		
University (if any)		
Obituary	Not found one	
Additional sources of data		
War Memorials	Memorial chapel: St John the Evangelist Church, High Rd, Wembley John Lyon School St Andrew's Sudbury war memorial He is not commemorated on the Harrow on the Hill memorial	https://memorials.iwm.org.uk/name/339336 https://memorials.iwm.org.uk/name/340972 https://memorials.iwm.org.uk/memorial/11000

Military Research

JLS WWI RoH	FRYER E.H.
CWGC Reference	Lieutenant Eric Hamilton Fryer | War Casualty Details 750367 | CWGC
Age	20
DoD	03-Aug-16
Rank	Lt
Regiment	Lancashire Fusiliers 4th Bn. attd. 2nd/5th Bn
Organisations must have served or have members who served in the Ypres Salient or the Somme in World War One.	THIEPVAL MEMORIAL
Location	Somme, France
Military details	Imperial War Museum source - no other information found

Story of Sacrifice

Eric Hamilton Fryer (1896–1916)

Eric Hamilton Fryer was born in Wembley in 1896 and after attending John Lyon School worked as an estate agent's clerk before the First World War, later enlisting and serving as a lieutenant with the Lancashire Fusiliers. He was killed in France on 3 August 1916, aged about 20, reportedly being shot by a German sniper.

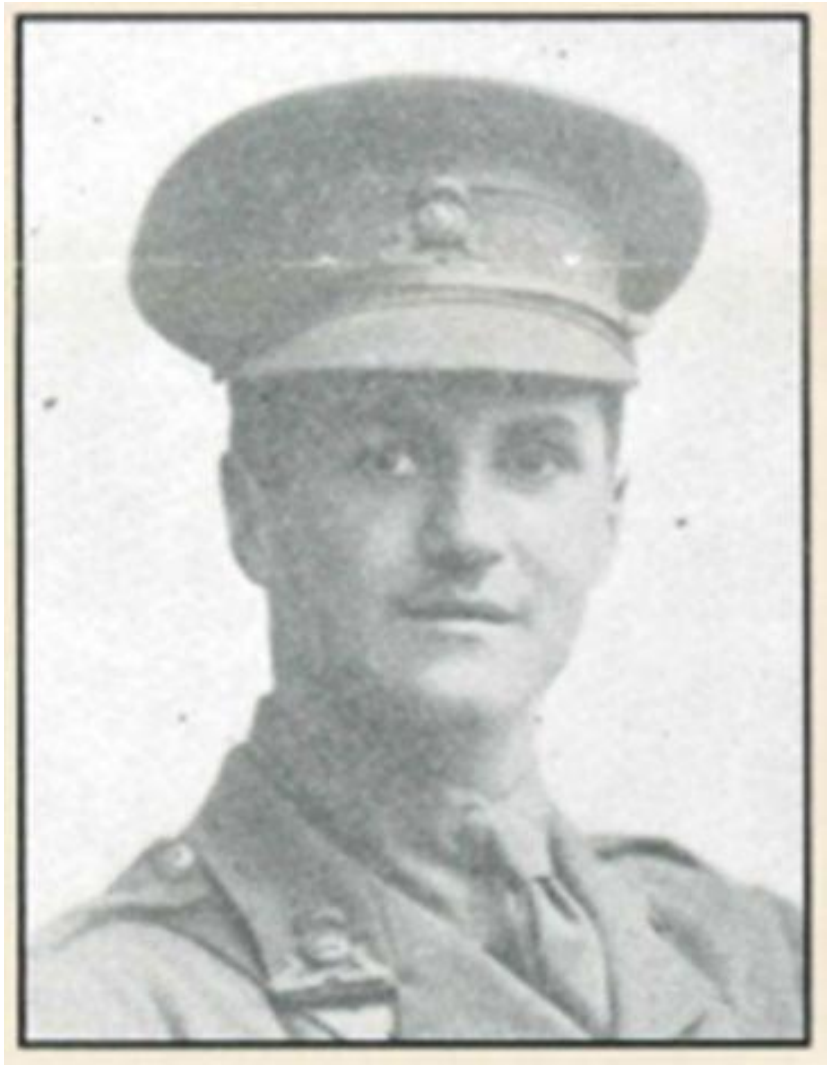
Civilian Life

Eric Hamilton Fryer was born in Wembley in 1896, the son of George W. and Annie J. Fryer. After attending John Lyon School, he worked as an estate agent's clerk. In 1911, he was living with his family at Mentmore, Sudbury, Harrow, where his father worked as an accountant for a house furnisher. Eric had two brothers, Henry N. and George R. Eric attended John Lyon School, and his name is recorded on the school's First World War Roll of Honour.

Military Life

He appears to have enlisted in the Honourable Artillery Company on 4 August 1914, although the research notes that the surviving evidence is not conclusive. The Commonwealth War Graves Commission records him as Lieutenant Eric Hamilton Fryer of the 4th Battalion, Lancashire Fusiliers, attached to the 2nd/5th Battalion. This is entirely feasible as many young men enlisted in a local unit first and upon receiving their commission were assigned to a unit that needed more officers. Fryer was killed in France on 3 August 1916 in the second month of the Somme Offensive. The research from the John Lyon School records that he was killed by a German sniper from the opposing 127th Württemberg Regiment. The account also records the recollection of fellow officer Captain Best Dunkley, who described Fryer as a "brother" and recorded the effect of his death on his comrades. He was aged almost 20 at the time of his death and is commemorated on the Thiepval Memorial on the Somme. His name is also recorded on the war memorials at St John the Evangelist Church in Wembley, St Andrew's Church, Sudbury, and John Lyon School.

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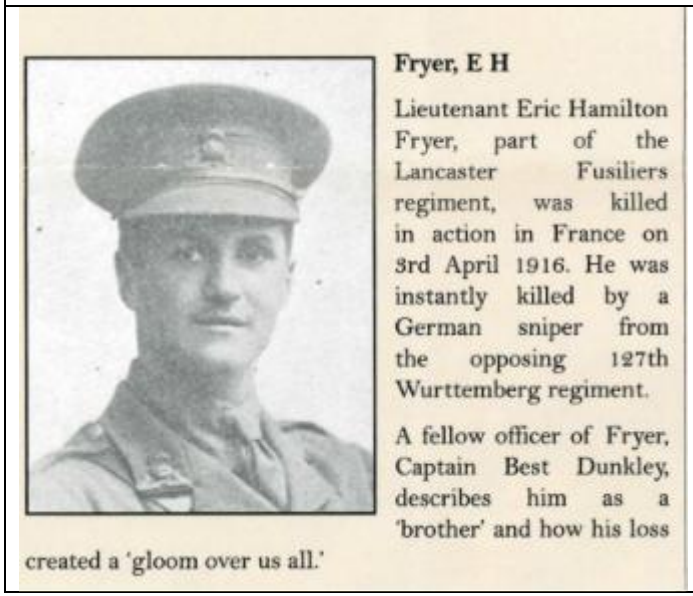


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Notes:

Appears to have signed up with HAC on 4/8/1914 – have seen document which includes the Sudbury address. On CWGC he is listed as being in Lancashire Fusiliers

I think the following newspaper article refers to him. As his parents were living in Sudbury it seems likely Harrow Observer 26/9/1919	
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