

Frederick Johnson Dickenson (The Royal Scots)

1892—1916: age at death 24

Frederick was born in 1891 to Mr & Mrs Joseph Dickenson of Main St, Kelham. He was part of a large family. At the time of the 1911 census he was recorded as working as a gardener and living with his widowed father, a labourer, his sister Annie, a cook, brother George, a gardener and brother Harold, whose occupation at age 16 was not noted.



Frederick served with the 13th Battalion Royal Scots. On 22nd August 1917 he was reported missing. His photograph appeared in the Newark Advertiser with a request to his comrades for information from his father and sister.



The July 1918 edition of *The Plough* stated that Frederick had not been heard of since the preceding August, and that 'his father has not given up hope as he had known of a case where a man was missing for two years before the welcome news of his safety came'.

The Plough for August 1918 carried the confirmation of Frederick's death on 22nd August 1917.

Frederick was well known in the area and had never left Kelham until he joined up in 1915. He had been a member of the choir, a bell ringer and an organ blower at Kelham Church. He was a member of the cricket club and the Operatic Society.

Frederick is remembered on the Tyne Cot Memorial.