

Frederick George Carter

Lance-Corporal, Royal Marine Light Infantry. Killed on *H.M.S. Britannia*, November 9th, 1918. General Service and Victory Medals.



FREDERICK WAS PART of a large Corsham family and was born in 1886 to Charles and Jane Carter, who lived in Easton in Corsham. Charles was an agricultural labourer and later a carter on a farm. Frederick was one of eleven children – the others were William, Henry, Lewin, Alfred, twins Lily and Rose, Kate, Minnie, Ernest and Albert.

It appears that Frederick was a career Royal Marine who almost survived the war. On 9th November 1918, just two days before the end of the war, he was serving on HMS *Britannia* when she was torpedoed by a German submarine off Cape Trafalgar and sank with the loss of fifty men. She was the last Royal Navy ship to be sunk in the war.

Frederick is remembered on the Portsmouth Naval Memorial.

He was survived by his father Charles, who was shown to be living in Ivy Cottage, Easton, in 1918.