EDWIN GEORGE JAMES DENNING

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30 December 1885-1937

Edwin, or Edward (as with his father of the same name, there's confusion here) was born on 30 December 1885, and christened in BSM Church on 7 March 1886. He was the second oldest of the eleven children of Edwin and Sarah Denning; Edwin senior worked all his life as an agricultural labourer. He was born in Yarcombe and his wife in Broadway, but the family moved between Otterford and BSM, settling finally at Lodge, BSM, where Edwin died in 1939, aged 86. Sarah had pre-deceased him by many years, dying in 1918.

At least two of Edwin's brothers (Arthur and Cecil, see the section *Those Who Survived WWI*) had emigrated to Canada, one remaining there, one returning to England. It has proved difficult to locate Edwin in the War years, and we thought he too might have emigrated, finding promising leads which in the end proved fruitless. We still do not know what he did in that time. Our only pointers are a reference to him by the Rector, Arthur Lance, telling Sam Pym in a letter of November 1916 that Edward had been wounded, and a mention in the BSM School Roll of Honour also listing him as wounded, but with no further details. In fact neither Edwin nor his brothers and sisters went to BSM School, but he must have been well known.

In 1901 Edwin was working at Magin [Madgeon] Farm for Jabez Wyatt as a Stockman. We can't be quite sure of this, as his second name, George, is used, though his age and place of birth are correct. Likewise at the time of the 1911 Census, George Denning is a visitor at Stockers Week Farm, Luppitt, farmed by Harry Norton. His place of birth, Otterford, is correct, but his age, 23, has shrunk by a couple of years. But no other candidates can be found.

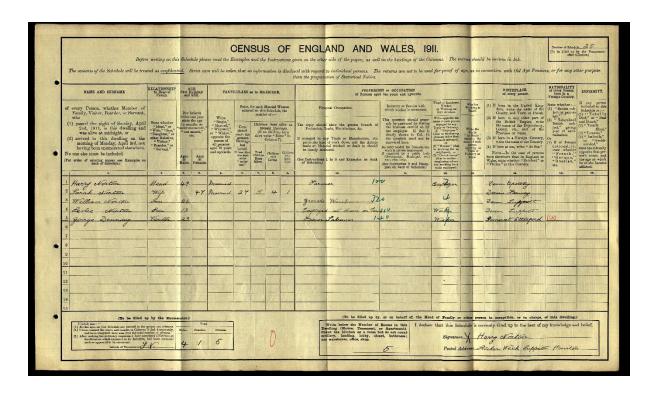
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 April 1940 Administration London 6 July to Emma Denney widow. Effects £558 13s. 11d.
- DENNEY Martha Susannah of Cemetery Lodge Larkside-road Kendal Westmorland (wife of Walter Denney) died 4 December 1939 Administration Carlisle 2 January to the said Walter Denney cemetery curator. Effects £133 7s. 6d.
- DENNEY Thomas of 44 Moss-street Chadsmoor Cannock Staffordshire died 10 March 1940 Probate Birmingham 4 May to Winifred Mary Spencer (wife of George Howard Spencer) and Ernest William Haden solicitor. Effects £276 12s. 4d.
- DENNILL Elizabeth Ann of 35 Ashburnham-road St. Budeaux Plymouth (wife of James William Dennill) died 3 December 1939 Probate Exeter 5 January to the said James William Dennill retired poultry farmer. Effects £476 0s. 11d.
- DENNING Annie Matilda of 4 Florence-terrace East Cliff Ramsgate widow died 20 February 1940 Probate London 11 April to Eva Crowden spinster. Effects £1364 8s. 1d.
- DENNING Charles of Harley House Charlemont-road West Bromwich Staffordshire died 13 April 1940 at Halton Hospital West Bromwich Probate London 20 May to Arthur Cornelius Denning farmer and James Padley no occupation.
 Effects 4957 4s. 7d.
- DENNING Edwin James otherwise Edwin of Lower Lodge Buckland St. Mary Somersetshire died 25 December 1939 at Sunnylands Chard Somersetshire Administration London 16 March to Stanley Norman Denning builders labourer and Cecil Robert John Denning transport worker. Effects £555 10s. 3d. Resworn £510 12s. 6d.
- DENNING Fred Ruddock of The Folley Chewton Mendip Somerseishire died 4 February 1940 Probate Bristol 17 May to William Ewart Denning butcher George Henry Gait builder and Frederick Wesley Denning hotel manager.

 Effects £952 4s. 1d.
- DENNING George John Walter of Kyrinia 21 Goldcroft-avenue Weymouth Dorsetshire died 14 March 1940 Probate Blandford 9 July to Kate Elizabeth Denning widow.

 Effects £1479 12s. 9d.
- DENNING Harriet of Bishops Wood Pages-lane off Newton-road Great Barr Staffordshire widow died 1 January 1940 Probate Birmingham 24 January to Bert Denning building contractor and Ernset Edward Brown solicitor. Effects £3379 7s. 9d.
- DENNING James Alexander of 45 Upper Leeson-street Dublin died 25 November 1939 Probate London 19 March to Emily Denning widow and Ella Levingston (wife of Hugh George Levingston). Effects £58 5s. 6d. in England.
- DENNING reverend John Frederick Charles of Westfield House Hungerford Berkshire died 12 October 1939 at Ingleside Nursing Home Newbury Berkshire Administration London 7 June to John Eden de Winton Denning company secretary. Effects £215 7s. 9d.
- DENNING Robert Nickle of The Plains Elland Yorkshire died 22 October 1940 Probate Llandudno 14 December to Emily Denning widow and William Frederick Denning physician and surgeon. Effects £5637 3s. 9d.
- DENNINGTON Alfred of 182 Spring-road Ipswich died 8 December 1939 Probate Ipswich 19 January to Kate Easter widow and Percy Edward Carter mechanic. Effects £1066 6s. 10d.
- DENNIS Ada of Rosedene Redcar-road Marske-by-the-Sea Yorkshire (wife of William Dennis) died 30 December 1939 Administration London 2 February to the said William Dennis retired metal worker. Effects £196 4s. 4d.
- DENNIS Agnes of 11 Roslin-road Bournemouth (wife of George Ravenscroft Dennis) died 27 February 1940 Probate London 11 April to George Hamilton Scott solicitor and Marjorie Mary Firth spinster. Effects £2760 0s. 2d.

- DENNIS Alice of 89 Durham-road Islington London N.1 spinster died 12 March 1940 at 88 Hornsey-lane London N.6 Administration London 11 July to Frederick William Dennis hospital clerk. Effects £589 5s. 5d. Resworn £636 8s. 1d.
- DENNIS Alice of 30 Westbourne Gardens London W.2 widow died 28 July 1940 Probate London 24 August to Dorothy Cutler spinster and Ronald Douglas Claverhouse Graham solicitor. Effects £5731 10s. 3d.
- DENNIS Alice Elizabeth of 15 Hastings-road Brighton widow died 3 February 1940 at Brighton Municipal Hospital Brighton Probate London 26 April to James Collins accountant and Edmund Collens municipal officer. Effects £1161 10s. 9d.
- DENNIS Ann of Ulleskelf Arms Ulleskelf Tadcaster Yorkshire widow died 22 April 1940 Probate Wakefield 11 November to William Edgar Townson solicitors managing clerk and George Albert Christopher Dennis farmer. Effects £1158 13s.
- DENNIS Ann Sophia of 34 Crescent-road Wood Green Middlesex spinster died 28 February 1940 Administration (with Will) London 27 May to Annie Mary Dracass spinster. Effects £317 15s. 11d.
- DENNIS Anna Frances of Ebor House North Cave Yorkshire spinster died 9 December 1939 at Broomfleet Yorkshire Probate York 3 April to Frederick Charles Dennis secretary. Effects £1497 18s.
- DENNIS Annie of 169 Melton-road West Bridgford Nottinghamshire (wife of George Victor Dennis) died 5 May 1940 Probate Nottingham 1 November to the said George Victor Dennis haulage contractor. Effects £4229 0s. 10d.
- DENNIS Annie Reynolds of 23 Laity-road Troon Camborne Gornwall widow died 7 April 1940 at Roskear Nursing Home Camborne Probate Winchester 30 April to Presto Trewavas of no occupation. Effects £7353 6s. 3d.
- DENNIS Arthur Edwin of 75 Christian Fields Norbury Surrey died 17 January 1940 Probate London 4 March to Ethel Banks Dennis widow. Effects £805 14s. 9d.
- DENNIS Bessie of Cleveden Whiterock Hill Wadebridge Gornwall widow died 24 July 1940 Probate Bodmin 28 August to Eldred Cleave minister of religion. Effects £3572 16s. 7d.
- DENNIS Catherine Ann of Normanton Stores Ash Vale Surrey widow died 21 March 1940 Probate London 21 May to Albert Dennis carpenter and joiner. Effects £505 13s. 3d.
- DENNIS Charles of The Homestead Mountfield-road Hampden Park Eastbourne died 15 April 1940 Probate London 24 May to Charles Henry James Dennis no occupation. Effects £4235 11s.
- DENNIS Claude of Styles Barton Whitestone Devonshire died 11 May 1940 at the Royal Devon and Exeter Hospital Exeter Administration Exeter 2 August to Maria Phyllis Vera Dennis widow and Reginald Henry Thomas Fisher farmer. Effects £4171.
- DENNIS David Wesley of 107 Uppingham-avenue Stanmore Middlesex died 18 August 1940 at Barton Cambridgeshire Administration Lincoln 9 December to Mary Theodora Dennis single woman. Effects £433 12s. 2d.
- DENNIS Edward John of Overcleave Old Castle-road Weymouth
 Dorsetshire died 18 June 1936 at 9 Victoria-terrace Weymouth
 Administration Blandford 15 February to Leonard Ewart
 Dennis commercial manager. Effects £7 10s.
 Former Grant D.R. Blandford 3 May 1937.
- DENNIS Eliza Talbot of Whitegate Cottage Berkley-road Frome Somersetshire spinster died 19 October 1940 Probate Bristol 6 December to Samuel William Gallop Dennis retired schoolmaster. Effects 22113 5s. 5d.