

**ARTHUR EDWARD KNIGHT, Pte 0809 2nd Batt, Somerset Lt Infantry
Pte 94224, 221 Coy Machine Gun Corps**

Arthur was the eldest son of Alfred, a timber feller, and Bessie Knight; they lived in Blackwater, and later on at Coal Furze, on the main road near the Castle Inn. All the children went to Buckland St Mary School; Arthur's date of birth given in the School Register is October 3, 1889.

There's no information about what he did when he first left school, which would be around 1903/4, but by 1911 he's in the Army, stationed in Malta with the 2nd Battalion of the SLI. Between 1911 and 1913 the 2nd Battalion were in China in what turned out to be a peace keeping role during the Boxer Rebellion. From China they went to India, where they spent the whole of WWI.

Arthur we must assume would have gone with them, but then served in 221 Company of the Machine Gun Corps. 221 Company was "attached to the Nowshera Brigade in the 1st (Peshawar) Division in India, June to December 1917. They arrived in Egypt in February 1918. Joined "A" Battalion in XIX Corps 21 May 1918" (*The Long Long Trail*).

It would seem that at the end of the War he left the MGC and re-enlisted in the 2nd SLI., but we have no further information on this. He's on the Absent Voters Register in 1918 but not 1919, his address given as Coal Furze. His name is on the School's Roll of Honour.

He married Ada Bale in 1931; they had two daughters, Mary and Betty. In the 1939 Register the family is shown as living at Abbey Hill, Bickenhall. Arthur is an auxiliary postman and agricultural labourer. His wife died in 1957, and Arthur, by this time living in Taunton with his daughter Mary, in 1963, aged 74.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

1891 CENSUS

Administrative County Gloucestershire The undermentioned Houses are situate within the boundaries of the Parliamentary Borough of Gloucester Page 10

Civil Parish St. Andrew's Ecclesiastical Parish St. Andrew's County Borough, Municipal Borough, or Urban District Gloucester Ward of Municipal Borough or Urban District St. Andrew's Parliamentary Borough or Division Gloucester Town or Village or Hamlet Gloucester

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
ROAD, STREET, &c. and No. or NAME of HOUSE	ROUSES Uninhabited	ROUSES Inhabited	NAME and Surname of each Person	RELATION to Head of Family	AGE last Birthday	PROFESSION OR OCCUPATION	Employer, Worker, or Own account	If Working at Home	WHERE BORN	(1) Deaf and Dumb (2) Blind (3) Lame (4) Insane, Feeble-minded						
17 Blackwater	1		Alfred Knight	Head	32	Labourer	Worker		Gloucester							
			Benjamin	Wife	37				Gloucester							
			Arthur	Son	11				Gloucester							
			Emma	Daughter	9				Gloucester							
			Abel	Son	6				Gloucester							
			Lucy	Daughter	3				Gloucester							
			John	Son	1				Gloucester							
18 Blackwater	1		Lucy Matthews	Head	66	Labourer	Worker		Gloucester							
			Elizabeth	Wife	24				Gloucester							
19 "	1		Thomas Conney	Head	55	Labourer	Worker		N. K.							
20 Blackwater	1		Will. Pym	Head	59	Labourer	Worker		Gloucester							
			Isabel Ann Pym	Wife	34				Gloucester							
			Samuel Pym	Son	17				Gloucester							
21 Blackwater	1		Robert Ward	Head	38	Labourer	Worker		Gloucester							
			Eliza	Wife	39				Gloucester							
			Annie	Daughter	12				Gloucester							
			John	Son	6				Gloucester							
22 Blackwater	1		John North	Head	65	Labourer	Worker		Gloucester							
			Mary	Wife	62				Gloucester							
			Frank North	Son	22				Gloucester							
23 Blackwater	1		Martha Smith	Head	70				Gloucester							
			Annie	Wife	14				Gloucester							
24 "	1		James Manning	Head	69				Gloucester							
			John	Son	19				Gloucester							
8	8	1	4	Total of Males and Females	10	11										

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1901 CENSUS

Return of all Commissioned Officers, Warrant Officers, Non-Commissioned Officers, Trumpeters, Drummers and Band and File.									
NAME IN FULL	RANK	AGE last Birthday	CONDITION as to MARRIAGE	UNIT, or ARM OF SERVICE	TRADE or OCCUPATION (if any)	BIRTHPLACE	If absent on Census Night, give "Absent" and for how long, the place, for how long, and for what purpose, if any, in England, Wales, Scotland, or Ireland.		
1 Henry William	Lance Corporal	23	Single	1st Bn. P. O. Somersetshire Light Infantry		Bristol Gloucester			
2 Albert Frank Arthur	Private	23				Halsbury South			
3 Capel Carter Henry	Lieut. Col.	22				Bristol Gloucester			
4 Goodland Benjamin	Private	23				Bristol South			
5 Hyatt Albert Edward	Private	24				Gloucester Gloucester			
6 Wank Edward		23				Bristol Gloucester			
7 Higgins Fred		23				Bristol Gloucester			
8 Thomas Henry		22				Bristol Gloucester			
9 Buckley William	Lieut. Col.	23				London South			
10 Oakes Luke	Private	22				Marston South			
11 Carter Robert		22		2nd Bn. P. O. Somersetshire Light Infantry		Bath South			
12 Fox Sidney		22				London South			
13 Kelly Joseph		22				Bristol South			
14 Corp. Ernest Edward		22				Bristol Gloucester			
15 Ward Albert John		23				Gloucester South			
16 White George		22				Gloucester South			
17 Brown John		23				Gloucester Gloucester			
18 Mullins Patrick		23				Bath South			
19 Mills Henry		22				West Gloucester South			
20 Knight Arthur Edward		22				Gloucester at Regent			
21 Pearson Ernest Arthur		24		1st Bn. P. O. Somersetshire Light Infantry		West Ham Essex			
22 Watson Reginald Freda	Lieut. Col.	22				Bath South			
23 Whitaker William	Private	22				Bristol Gloucester			
24 Thomas Frederick		22				Weston S. More South			
25 Sturt Charles Henry		23				St. Albans Hertford			
26 Trappell John		23				West Gloucester South			
27 White Arthur		23				Bath South			
28 Mckenzie James		23				London South			
29 Stoller Stanley Andrew	Lance Corporal	23				Bristol South			
30 Crook Arthur William	Private	22				Gloucester Gloucester			
Total		130							

ARTHUR EDWARD KNIGHT IN MALTA WITH SLI, 1911

CENSUS OF ENGLAND AND WALES, 1911.

Before writing on this Schedule please read the Examples and the Instructions given on the other side of the paper, as well as the headings of the Columns. The entries should be written in Ink.

The contents of the Schedule will be treated as confidential. Strict care will be taken that no information is disclosed with regard to individual persons. The returns are not to be used for proof of age, as in connection with Old Age Pensions, or for any other purpose than the preparation of Statistical Tables.

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KNIGHT FAMILY 1911

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BAPTISMS solemnized in the Parish of Andover in the
County of Essex in the year One thousand
eight hundred and Eighty nine

Given Name	When Registered	Child's Christian Name	Parents' Names		Abode	Quality, Trade, or Profession	By whom the Ceremony was performed.
			Christian	Surname			
1855 Oct- 25	18 39 Sept ^r 21 No. 57	Alice Hannah daughter of	John and Susan	Barter	Buckham Illary	Laborer	William R.
1859 Sept 23	18 39 Nov ^r 13 No. 58	Fred Isa of Edith Maud	Edi and Edith	Keck	Buckham Illary	Laborer	William R.
1859 Oct- 3	18 39 Nov ^r 24 No. 59	Arthur Edward son of	Wm and Benie	Knight	Buckham Illary	Laborer	William R.
1859 Sept 14	18 39 Dec ^r 15 No. 60	Fella David daughter of	David and Sarah Elizabeth	Newton	Buckham Illary	Baker	William R.
1859 Nov ^r 7	18 39 Dec ^r 15 No. 61	Alice John daughter of	John and Lucy	North	Buckham Illary	Farmer	William R.
1859 Nov ^r 2	18 39 Dec ^r 22 No. 62	Kate David daughter of	David and Grace	Graham	Buckham Illary	Carpenter	William R.
1859 Dec ^r 10	18 39 January 26 No. 63	Richard Richard James son of	Richard and Sarah Jane	Hooper	Buckham Illary	Laborer	William R.
1859 Dec ^r 12	18 39 January 26 No. 64	Fred Samuel son of	Samuel and Benie	Tutcher	Buckham Illary	Blacksmith	William R.

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BAPTISMS solemnized in the Parish of Buckland & Harty in the
County of Somerset in the year One thousand
eight hundred and ninety

Date	When Baptized.	Child's Christian Name.	Parent's Name.		Abode.	Quality, Trade, or Profession.	By whom the Ceremony was performed.
			Christian.	Surname.			
1890 January 26	18 90 Feb 16	Ed son of	Mark and Mary	Knight	Brookland Mary	Sabomer Williams & Co.	✓
1890 January 15	18 90 Feb 24	Edith daughter of	Harry and Jessica	Gard	Brookland Mary	Sabomer Williams & Co.	✓
1890 January 14	18 90 Feb 24	Gilbert son of	Thomas and Emma Jane	Boulton	Brookland Mary	Carpenter Williams & Co.	✓
1890 March 11	18 90 March 21	Peter Thomas son of	Arthur Conway and Anna	Grubben	New Town Condie St. Nicholas	Carpenter Williams & Co.	✓
1890 March 19	18 90 March 23	Edith daughter of	William and Jane	Lock	St. Nicholas St. Nicholas	Sabomer Williams & Co.	✓
1890 April 4	18 90 April 6	Jessie daughter of	James and Ellen Jane	Lock	Belvedere Condie St. Nicholas	Farmer Williams & Co.	✓
1890 April 8	18 90 April 8	Sydney son of	Walter and Constance	Wyatt	Brookland Mary	Tailor Rockport Devon	✓
1890 April 10	18 90 April 27	Bessie daughter of	George and Rosa	Sweetland	Brookland Mary	Sabomer Williams & Co.	✓

Name.	Corps.	Rank.	Regtl. No.
KNIGHT. Arthur.	No. 5. b. Som. L. I.	Pte.	94224. 0809.
Medal.	Roll.	Page.	Remarks.
VICTORY	6/2/102 B II	1292.	
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Theatre of War first served in			
Date of entry therein			

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SOMERSET LIGHT INFANTRY. REGIMENT OR CORPS.

ROLL OF INDIVIDUALS entitled to the Victory Medal and the British War Medal granted under Army Orders 16 § 301 of 1919.

On 11/11/18 or on becoming non-effective	Regtl. No.	Rank	NAME	Unit previously served with. Regtl. No. and Rank to enter on entry into theatre of war	Theatres of war in which served								Clasp awarded (to be left blank)	Record of disposal of decorations (a) Presented (b) Despatched by Post (c) Taken into Stock	REMARKS	
					From	To	From	To	From	To	From	To				
202095	Pte	✓	KNIGHT Arthur	2/4 Som. L.I.												Tb 2 Reserve 11.5.19.
				1/4 Som. L.I.	6(b)											
				Pte 4995												
0809	Pte	✓	KNIGHT Arthur	2nd Som. L.I.												Re-enlisted Som. L.I. 0809
				M.F.C.	4(b) & 1(a)											
				Pte 94224												
241565	Pte	✓	KNIGHT Arthur	1/5 Som. L.I.	4(b)											Disembodied 2.5.19.
				Pte 241565												
29900	Pte	✓	KNIGHT Bertie	9th Cyc. Hants	1(a)											Discharged 7.6.16.
				William Langrish	Pte 895											
				1st Som. L.I.	1(a)											
51109	Pte	✓	KNIGHT Charley	8th Som. L.I.	1(a)											Tb 2 Reserve 11.6.19.
				Pte 51109												
34510	Pte	✓	KNIGHT Charles Henry	8th Hants R.	2(b)	x	✓									Disembodied 2.4.19.
				Pte 2117												
16960	Pte	✓	KNIGHT Clement	8th Som. L.I.	1(a)	x	✓									D. of W. 2.7.16.
				Pte 16960												

I certify that according to the Official Records the individuals named in this ROLL are entitled to the Medal or Medals as detailed above.

Place EXETER Date 8 Oct 1920

Signature and rank of Officer certifying.

SERVICE MEDALS

ABSENT VOTERS' LIST. YEOVIL DIVISION.

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1	2	3	4	5
No.	Names in Full (Surname first).	Qualifying Premises.	Description of Service, Ship, Regiment, Number, Rank, Rating, etc., or recorded address.	No.
PARISH OF KINGWESTON.				
177	Dickinson, William Francis	Kingweston House	Capt., 1st Garr. Batt., Hants. Regt.	177
178	Charlton, Cuthbert Henry	Lower Street	41337 Pte., 1st Batt., D.C.L.I.	178
179	Charlton, William John	North Park	Stoker 41228 R.N., H.M.S. "Lupen"	179
180	Dabinett, Harold Edwin	Post Office	49583 Co.Q.M.S., M.G.C., 2nd Div. Bgd., 91, York St., Westminster	180
181	Merriott, Colin	Lower Street	27619 Sig., 10th Bn., K. Shrops. L.I.	181
182	Sawtell, Ellis John	Middle Farm	Sec.-Lt., King's Royal Rifles	182
183	Stenson, Sidney	High Street	47043 Pte., 15th Bn., E. Lancs. Regt.	183
184	Tapnell, Thomas William	The Lodge, Kingweston	208176 Pte., 25th Middx. Regt.	184
185	Willcox, Ralph	Lower Street	13545 Pte. 10th Devons	185

BUCKLAND ST. MARY Polling District (C).

PARISH OF BUCKLAND ST. MARY.

186	Every, Tom	Meanwood	26862 Pte., 4th S.W.B.	186
187	Hooper, James	Cross	527939 Pte., 652 Agri. Coy., Lab. Cps.	187
188	Pook, William	Blackwater	Dorset Rgt.	188
189	Spiller, Thomas John	Bugg's Moor	47372 7th W. Riding Rgt., E.C., No. 2 R.F.	189
190	Walter, Richard John Kenneth	Grange House	A.S.C.	190
191	Berry, William Devonport	Pinneys	4454 Tpr., Gds. M.G.C.	191
192	Collins, Wilfred Edgar	Little Forest	500078 Pte., 652 Agri. Coy., Lab. Cps.	192
193	Durman, Frederick Edwin	Redric Hill	620296 Gnr., 18th Bde. R.H.A.	193
194	Durman, William John	Redric Hill	108305, R.F.C.	194
195	Fayter, John	Coomsbury	27698, D.C.L.I.	195
196	Fayter, William Henry	Coomsbury Farm	72503 Pte., 31st Middx. Rgt.	196
197	Goodland, Ernest	Newtown	205262 Pte., 3rd Bn., Bedford	197
198	Greenslade, Cecil	Moorsick	95702 Gnr., Tank Cps., Alexandria	198
199	Greenslade Richard Samuel	Moorsick	Lieut., R.F.C.	199
200	Hardwell, James	Trott's Castle	R/3577, A.B. Drake Bn., R.N.D.	200
201	Harris, Thomas	Beehive Farm	120096 Pnr., 370 For. Coy., R.E.	201
202	Hoare, Gilbert	Lower Blindmoor	1994 Pte., 1st Royal Marines, R.N.D.	202
203	Hooper, Sydney Arthur	Castle Comfort	26759 Pte., 3rd S.L.I.	203
204	Hooper, Walter Robert	Castle Comfort	K/9742 Str., R.N., H.M.S. "Marlborough"	204
205	Knight, Arthur	Coal Furze	94224 Pte., 221 Coy., M.G.C.	205
206	Knight, Samuel	Meanwood	13835 Pte., S.L.I.	206
207	Lang, Albert Charles	Laurel Cottage	61134 Pte., 187th Coy., M.G.C.	207
208	Lang, William Henry	Laurel Cottage	230447 S.Q.M.S., 1/1st Dorset Yeo.	208
209	Love, Ernest	Little Hill	34000 Pte., 57 Agr. Coy., Lab. Cps.	209
210	Manning, James Henry	Eagle Tavern	266175, Devon Rgt.	210
211	Manning, William John	Eagle Tavern	266297, Devon Rgt.	211
212	Millman, Cecil Richard	Castle Farm	226190, R.F.A.	212
213	Millman, Horace John	Castle Farm	17238 Pte., 457th Agri. Coy., Lab. Cps.	213
214	Shire, Alfred Edward	Swaddle's Green	22450, 1st S.L.I.	214
215	Wyatt, Charlie	Keat's Mill	202170 Pte., 2/4th Bn., S.L.I.	215
216	Wyatt, Harry	Keat's Mill	(Discharged)	216

ABSENT VOTERS' LIST. YEOVIL DIVISION.

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1 No.	2 Names in Full (Surname first).	3 Qualifying Premises.	4 Description of Service, Ship, Regiment, Number, Rank, Rating, etc., or recorded address.	5 No.
BUCKLAND ST. MARY Polling District (C).				
PARISH OF BUCKLAND ST. MARY.				
186	Every, Tom	Meanwood	26862 Pte., 4th S.W.B.	186
191	Berry, William	Devonport Pinneys		191
192	Collins, Wilfred Edgar	Little Forest	500078 Pte., 652 Agri. Coy., Lab. Cps.	192
193	Durman, Frederick Edwin	Redric Hill	620296 Gnr., 18th Bde. R.H.A.	193
194	Durman, William John	Redric Hill	108305, R.F.C.	194
196	Fayter, William Henry	Coomsbury Farm	72503 Pte., 31st Middx. Rgt.	196
197	Goodland, Ernest	Newtown	205262 Pte., 3rd Bn., Bedford	197
199	Greenslade Richard Samuel	Moorsick	Lieut., R.F.C.	199
201	Harris, Thomas	Beehive Farm	120096 Pnr., 370 For. Coy., R.E.	201
203	Hooper, Sydney Arthur	Castle Comfort	26759 Pte., 3rd S.L.I.	203
204	Hooper, Walter Robert	Castle Comfort	K/9742 Str., R.N., H.M.S. " Marlborough "	204
206	Knight, Samuel	Meanwood		206
207	Lang, Albert Charles	Laurel Cottage	61134 Pte., 187th Coy., M.G.C.	207
208	Lang, William Henry	Laurel Cottage	230447 S.Q.M.S., 1/1st Dorset Yeo.	208
209	Love, Ernest	Little Hill	34000 Pte., 57 Agr. Coy., Lab. Cps.	209
210	Manning, James Henry	Eagle Tavern	266175 Cpl., 1/6th Devon Rgt., No. 2 Wireless Sqdn., L. of C., Mesop.	210
211	Manning, William John	Eagle Tavern	266297, Devon Rgt.	211
212	Millman, Cecil Richard	Castle Farm	226190, R.F.A., 4th Training Depot, India	212
213	Millman, Horace John	Castle Farm	17238 Pte., 457th Agri. Coy., Lab. Cps.	213
214	Shire, Alfred Edward	Swaddle's Green	22450, 1st S.L.I.	214
215	Wyatt, Charlie	Keat's Mill	202170 Pte., 2/4th Bn., S.L.I.	215
216	Wyatt, Harry	Keat's Mill		216

E.D. Letter Code		Borough, U.D. or R.D.		Registration District and Sub-district		PERSONAL OCCUPATION		See INSTRUCTIONS.	
ADDRESS.		SCHEDULE.		SURNAME AND OTHER NAMES.		BIRTH.		PERSONAL OCCUPATION.	
		No.	Sub. No.			Day.	Year.		
		1	2	4		7	8	10	
This record is officially closed.									
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"	16	1		Knight, Louis	M.	Aug 25	96	S.	Agricultural Labourer
"	16	2		Knight, Frank	M.	Apr 22	91	S.	"
Abbey Hill Bickenhall	17	1		Perry, Blanch R.	F.	May 1	92	S.	unpaid dom: duties
"	17	2		Perry, Alice M.	F.	May 3	94	S.	"
"	17	3		Perry, Fredrick	M.	Jan 10	98	S.	incapacitated.
"	18	1		Knight, Ada	F.	Aug 15	91	M.	Housewife
"	18	2		Knight, Arthur	M.	Oct 3	88	M.	Aux Postman, Agric: lab.
"	18	3		Knight, Mary B.	F.	Nov 29	32	-	School
"	18	4		Bale, Mary M.	F.	Jan 30	51	W.	unpaid duties
"	19	-		-	-	-	-	-	-
Abbey Hill Bickenhall	20	1		Knight, Arthur	M.	Jul 22	93	M.	Farm Labourer
"	20	2		Knight, Harriett	F.	Jan 14	95	M.	Housewife
"	20	3		Knight, Walter J.	M.	Nov 17	22	S.	Builder's Labourer
This record is officially closed.									
"	21	1		Gurnett, George	M.	Oct 17	85	M.	Small holder
"	21	2		Gurnett, Eva B.	F.	Jul 5	89	M.	Housewife
"	21	3		Dicks, Thomligh	M.	May 1	24	S.	Messenger, Agric: lab.
Dairy Farm Bickenhall	22	1		Wade, Gerendoline	F.	Sept 17	06	M.	unpaid dom: duties
"	22	2		Wade, Gerendoline	F.	Sept 17	31	-	at school
This record is officially closed.									
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"	22	5		Day, Martha	F.	Apr 26	77	M.	unpaid dom: duties
"	23	1		Matraves, Albert E.	M.	Nov 1	94	M.	Farmer (heavy)
"	23	2		Matraves, Georgina	F.	Jan 14	89	M.	Housewife
"	23	3		Matraves, Silas S.	M.	Mar 1	02	S.	Grindstone & Tractor work
This record is officially closed.									
This record is officially closed.									
"	24	2		Orrick, Dorcas	F.	June 3	92	M.	unpaid home duties
This record is officially closed.									
This record is officially closed.									
"	24	5		Orrick, Donald	M.	Jul 30	30	-	at school
This record is officially closed.									
274 Bickenhall	25	1		Dyle, Harry	M.	Aug 27	84	M.	unemployed
"	25	2		Dyle, Alice M.	F.	Sept 2	90	M.	unpaid dom: duties
This record is officially closed.									
275 "	26	1		Kitch, Cecil E.	M.	Oct 24	17	M.	Farm Cartman (Heavy)
"	26	2		Kitch, Margaret H.	F.	Apr 11	18	M.	unpaid dom: duties
This record is officially closed.									
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276 "	27	1		Stimpson, Frederick	M.	Oct 10	93	M.	Bricklayer
"	27	2		Stimpson, Frederick J.	M.	Sept 14	19	S.	"
"	27	3		Stimpson, Jimmy	F.	July 7	98	M.	Household duties