

WILLIAM OLIVER ORRIDGE

1896–17.6.1917 aged 21 years

Private 23778 9th Battalion Leicestershire Regiment



William is recorded as O Orridge on the Gotham Roll. He was born at Wysall the son of John Orridge, though lived in Gotham for a while and is recorded on the 1901 census as living at Smiths Barn, The Moors and the 1911 census as a pony driver living on Monks Lane. He then moved to Little Dalby near Melton Mowbray where he worked as a bottle washer before enlistment in 1915. He is recorded as killed in action and is buried in the H.A.C. CWGC cemetery Ecoust St Mein. His inclusion in the Gotham Roll is at odds with the qualification for the Wysall Roll which claims to be a 'blest village'.