## ST JAMES CHURCH TAUNTON

## WORLD WAR 1 MEMORIAL PROJECT

## **Clifford Mundy**

Name: Clifford Mundy

Rank: Private

**Service Number:** 72397 (formerly 2753, 5th Yeomanry cyclists)

Regiment: Cheshire

Battalion/Unit number: 11th Battalion

Date/year of Birth: 1899

Place of Birth: Taunton

Place of Residence: 5 St Augustine Street

Date of Death: 1st June 1918

Place of Death: north east of Fismes, Aisne region, France.

Burial/Memorial: Soissons Memorial, France

Clifford was one of five children (four boys, one girl) born to George and Mary Mundy. George worked as a plumber and Mary worked as an ironer in the collar factory. Clifford's brothers Frederick Charles and Reginald Stanley both fought, Frederick in the 1st Battalion of the Somerset Light Infantry and Reginald in the 2nd/5th Battalion of the SLI.

As part of the 11th Battalion of the Cheshire Regiment Clifford would have been a part of the 25th Division serving in France in 1918. This unit was involved in the Third Battle of the Aisne, seeking to hold back an overwhelming German offensive pushing through France. The offensive began on 26th May and lasted until 14th June, during which the 25th Division saw very high casualty rates of 4338 officers and men. Clifford Mundy was one of 2511 who went missing during the fighting, and he is remembered with an inscription on the Soissons Memorial.

His brother Frederick also died in the war, in November 1918, and is listed on the St James War Memorial.