

Alfred EASTON



Born: 26th January 1899 in Neatishead, Norfolk

Parents: Father: Frederick (1860-1943)

Mother: Mary Ann Greenwood (born 1861 in Cawston, Norfolk) married in 1884

Siblings: Annie Matilda (1885-1980)

George Frederick (born 1887 in Aylsham)

Maude Mary (1888-1979)

Twins William (1890-1916) **killed in action**

Twins Charles Edward (1890-1978) **served in WW1**

Beryl Minnie (1892-1988)

Gertrude Eliza (born 1895 in Neatishead)

Herbert (born 1896 in Neatishead) **served in WW1**

Helen (born 1897 in Neatishead)

Death: 26th May 1920, aged 21

Burial: Commonwealth War Grave in St Peter's Churchyard, Neatishead. Inscription on gravestone reads:-

Alfred Easton / Able Seaman RN J/35475 / HMS Vanity
/ 26th May 1920 age 21 / Waiting in holy stillness

Military & War service: J/35475 Able Seaman Alfred Easton, HMS "Vanity" (destroyer), Royal Navy
First Ship Served On: HMS Powerful
Also served on Victory, Conqueror, Excellent and Dido



HMS Vanity

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Our Roll of Honour keeps steadily increasing, and we have pleasure in adding the following names to the list: Robert and Charles Colk, Arthur Tooley (10th Norfolks), Herbert Easton (Canal Transport Service) and Alfred Easton has entered a training ship. Mr. Sam Colk is to be congratulated on having four sons, and two sons-in-law now serving their king and Country.

JULY, 1920.

Burial – May 31st, Alfred Easton, aged 21 years.

It is with deep regret we record the death of Alfred Easton, which occurred at Torbay Hospital, Torquay, on May 26th. Never a strong constitution, while on naval service during the war, a trouble developed, which at one time it was hoped he would have outgrown; but unfortunately such hope was doomed to disappointment. Always a quiet and retiring disposition, his good manners, thoughtfulness and care for others won for him the respect and regard of all who knew him. The funeral took place on May 31st in Neatishead, amidst every expression of sympathy from a large gathering of parishioners and friends. Mr. and Mrs. Easton and family wish to thank their numerous kind friends who sympathised with them in their sorrow, in word or deed, too many to thank individually, and to assure them of their deep appreciation.