

## Corporal George Henry Stevens, DCM, MM<sup>©</sup>

Regimental number: 5087

8th Battalion, Northumberland Fusiliers

born: 29 November 1886–died: 9 May 1918

Corporal George Stevens and his two brothers were dedicated to military service in the Great War. Two of the three died and one of them, George, distinguished himself with his bravery. He was awarded both the Military Medal (MM) (with bar) and the Distinguished Conduct Medal (DCM)—all within a year. His MM was gazetted on 21 August 1917,<sup>1</sup> the bar less than three months later<sup>2</sup> and the DCM on 1 May 1918.<sup>3</sup>

The bar to his MM was awarded:

For gallantry and devotion to duty during operations on August 16th, 1917. In the attack on Langemark Zonnebeke Road as a company runner he was with his company officer until the latter was killed, when he continued to advance with the new commander. He was first to reach battalion headquarters with an important message, and frequently went to and fro, during heavy fire, with messages, and never failed to deliver them.<sup>4</sup>

The citation for George's DCM, which was awarded for an act of gallantry in the field by a member of the armed forces below the rank of officer,<sup>5</sup> reads:

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When on patrol he crawled on to the enemy's parapet and saw a party of about twelve of the enemy in the trench and on the steps of a dug-out. He threw a bomb into the entrance of the dug-out and signalled to a corporal close behind him, who bombed the party in the trench. On a previous occasion he had entered the enemy's front line and killed three of the enemy. He showed magnificent courage and determination.<sup>6</sup>

George and his family paid the ultimate price for his bravery. He died on 9 May 1918 and was mourned by his wife Margaret Summerville and son Harrison.<sup>7</sup> His wife, who was living at 109 Percy Street in Blyth after the war, had the following inscription included on his gravestone:

EVER REMEMBERED BY  
HIS LOVING WIFE & SON<sup>8</sup>

George served with the 8th Battalion of Northumberland Fusiliers, having enlisted in Blyth, Northumberland,<sup>9</sup> at the very beginning of the war.<sup>10</sup> The battalion was formed in Newcastle in August 1914 as part of Kitchener's New Army.<sup>11</sup> George went to Gallipoli on 10 July 1915 with the rest of his battalion,<sup>12</sup> then presumably on to Egypt with the battalion in January 1916 and next to France in July 1916. He survived for almost the whole war but was fatally wounded a few months before its conclusion.

On 4 May 1918, his battalion was in the trenches near Mazingarbe, Lens, in northern France. The enemy was reportedly very quiet. However, George was wounded while on patrol<sup>13</sup> and was admitted to No. 1 Canadian Casualty Clearing Station (CCCS) with bullet wounds to his right thigh and back. He died five days later and was buried on 10 May in Pernes British Military Cemetery (Plot 2, Row B, Grave 26), with the Canadian chaplain J. K. Tibbits presiding.<sup>14</sup> The chaplain did not know the name of George's next-of-kin, and so he wrote to the adjutant of the 8th Battalion to notify his unit of his death.

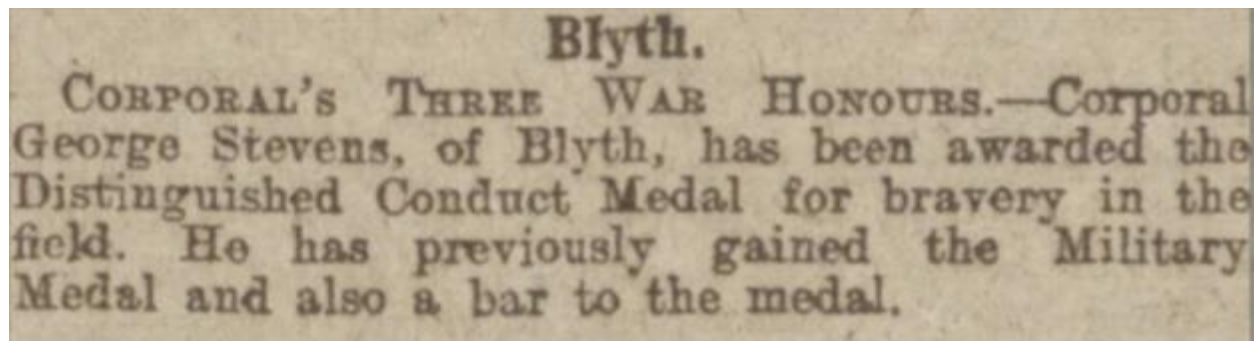
**Extract from 8th Battalion, Northumberland Fusiliers war diary, 4 May 1918**

Source: Findmypast

Pernes British Military Cemetery was only set up in April 1918 when No. 1 and No. 4 CCCSs came to Pernes, driven back by the German advance.<sup>15</sup> George was one of 185 injured soldiers admitted to No 1. CCCS on 4 May 1918 and one of 115 soldiers to die at the station that month.

In addition to the DCM and MM, George was awarded posthumously the British War Medal (for service overseas between 1914 and 1918), the Victory Medal (for service in an operational theatre) and the 1914–15 Star (for service in the war against Germany between 5 August 1914 and 31 December 1915).<sup>16</sup>

His medals for bravery were announced in the Newcastle newspaper,<sup>17</sup> sadly just months before his death. After the award of his MM, George was the recipient of a gold watch presented by the people of Blyth.<sup>18</sup>



**Newcastle Journal, 8 March 1918**

Source: Findmypast

Who was this brave soldier? He was born George Nicholson, the illegitimate son of Isabel Nicholson, on 29 November 1886 and baptized on 2 January 1887 in Hunwick, about three miles from Bishop Auckland, Durham.<sup>19</sup> When George was born his mother was about 20 years old—the daughter of a coal miner in Bishop Auckland.<sup>20</sup>

When George was 2 years old, Isabel married Jonathan Stevens in Cockfield, Durham,<sup>21</sup> and together they had eight children:

- Margaret Ann (born in 1890)<sup>22</sup>
- Mary Isabel (born in 1892)<sup>23</sup>
- Albert William (born on 1 July 1893)<sup>24</sup>
- Joseph (born on 7 May 1895)<sup>25</sup>
- Susannah (born in 1898)<sup>26</sup>
- Elizabeth (born in 1900)<sup>27</sup>
- Jonathan (born in 1902)<sup>28</sup>
- Norman (born in 1905)<sup>29</sup>

A few years after Isabel and Jonathan's marriage, the family was living at Pearson Yard in Staindrop, Durham—13 miles outside Bishop Auckland.<sup>30</sup> Ten years later, Jonathan, a coal miner, and the family had moved nearly 50 miles away to near Tynemouth in Northumberland and were living at 4 Taits Buildings, Seaton Terrace, Holywell. George had joined Jonathon in the mines<sup>31</sup> and would work at Isabella Pit in Blyth for the 13 years before he enlisted.<sup>32</sup> The dangers of coal mining were brought home to the family when Jonathon died in a mining accident on 7 June 1905 in Cambois.<sup>33</sup>

In 1911, Isabel was living with six of her children in Blyth, nine miles from Tynemouth, Northumberland, listed on the census under the name of Walker.<sup>35</sup> She may have married William Walker in 1908 in Tynemouth.<sup>36</sup> It is speculative because there is no mention of William on the 1911 census form, and Isabel indicated that her “present marriage” had lasted for 23 years, which is consistent with the date of her marriage to Jonathan Stevens. The children all carry the name Stevens.

George was not with his mother; he was living at 59 Marlow Street in Blyth, where he was working as a coal hewer. He had founded his own family: on 11 December 1909 he married Margaret Summerville<sup>37</sup> (born in about 1891 in Blyth, Northumberland).<sup>38</sup> Although he was initially recorded as George Stevens on his marriage certificate, he and Margaret requested a correction on 3 September 1910 to change his surname back to Nicholson and remove Jonathan’s name from his marriage certificate. (In spite of this 1910 name change, George enlisted in the army under the surname of Stevens.)

When George and Margaret’s son was born the following year, his recorded surname was Nicholson. Harrison Summerville Nicholson,<sup>39</sup> born on 29 July 1910,<sup>40</sup> would be their only child.

All three of George’s brothers who were old enough to serve in the Great War enlisted in the Northumberland Fusiliers right at the beginning of the war. George was about 28 when he enlisted, but his brothers Albert and Joseph were 20 and 18 years old, respectively.

**Albert** was a miner when he enlisted as a private in the 13th Battalion of the Fusiliers on 3 September 1914.<sup>41</sup> He served in England for a year, then went to France for two years. He came home in September 1917 for about six months, and then went back to France for just a month before returning to his family. At some point he received a mild gunshot wound to his left arm, but after he came home for the last time, in April 1918, he was discharged (the following August) as no longer physically fit for service. He had been a good soldier. His military character was cited as good and he was described as “a sober and hard-working man.”

On 22 June 1911, Albert had married Jane Matilda (known as Jeannie) Edwards and they had three children: Jonathan George (born on 12 November 1911), Albert William (born in 1913, but died the following year)<sup>42</sup> and Jane Matilda (born on 12 October 1915). The family was living at 4 Carlyle Court in Blyth around the end of the war.

George’s brother **Joseph** was a labourer living at 38 Gladstone Street in Blyth when he enlisted on 22 August 1914.<sup>43</sup> Although he appears to have enlisted as a private in the Northumberland Fusiliers, he was posted immediately to the 9th Battalion of the West Yorkshire Regiment. He did not remain in the regiment for long—he was discharged on 10 October 1914 as not likely to become an efficient soldier. However, that does not appear to be the end of Joseph’s service in the Great War. He enlisted in the Royal Naval Reserve (regimental number 4716) and was serving as a stoker on HMS *Russell* when he was killed.<sup>44</sup>

The Royal Navy’s HMS *Russell* was one of the fastest battleships in the world at the time it was launched in 1903. After the outbreak of the war, the ship was part of the northern patrol—established to prevent trade to and from Germany and prevent German warships from sailing between the North Sea and the Atlantic.<sup>45</sup> In November 1915, she was sent to the Mediterranean to support the Dardanelles campaign, although she saw limited service. However, on 27 April 1916, she was sailing off Malta when she struck two mines laid by a German U-boat. Most of the crew survived the sinking, although 125 men were killed.<sup>46</sup> Joseph was one of these. He was just 20 years old. His mother, who was living at 79 Shipley Street in Byker, Newcastle-on-Tyne, was notified of his death.<sup>47</sup>

George's mother probably lived to see the service of three sons and the death of two. It is not certain when she died but it was probably between 1917 and 1921.<sup>48</sup>

His eldest sister, **Margaret**, married William Thompson in 1908 in Tynemouth<sup>49</sup> and, in 1911, was living with her 10-month old son Ronald at 35 Disraeli Street in Blyth.<sup>50</sup> In 1921, her brothers Jonathan and Norman were living with her at 15 High Street in Blyth.<sup>51</sup> Although it is indicated that she is married, no information was found about the location of her husband either in 1911 or 1921.

Margaret's younger sister, **Mary Isabel**, married William Griffiths on 1 January 1911 in Bedlington Station, 5 miles from Blyth.<sup>52</sup> She and William had several children,<sup>53</sup> including twin sons born in 1919. They were given the names George and Joseph,<sup>54</sup> presumably named after their two uncles who died in the Great War.

After the war, George's wife and son were living at 109 South Percy Street in Blyth, where Harrison was a scholar. In 1934 he had just moved to Newton Abbot, Devon, when he married Catherine ("Kitty") A. Ord.<sup>55</sup> He probably died in Lichfield, Staffordshire, in 1993.<sup>56</sup>

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