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Subject: Spiers Family Redmarley

Ahead of the memorial, I thought I would contact you with information about the Spiers family members who are remembered on the Roll of Honour in Redmarley Church and on the War Memorial.

Harry was my grandfather and is recorded on the Roll of Honour having survived the war. He had 2 brothers, Frederick (Fred on the memorial) and George, who both died in the war.

I believe George is : 36966 Private George Spiers, 168 th Bn. Machine Gun Corps (Infantry).(formerly Private 27228, Worcestershire Regiment). Died 14th August 1917. Age 22. Son of Mr W.Spiers of Back House, Lowlands, Redmarley, Newent, Gloucs. Buried in PERTH CEMETERY (CHINA WALL) CEMETERY, Ieper, Belgium. Plot I, Row E, Grave 19.

I believe Frederick is: Frederick Hubert Spiers 9th Bn. Gloucestershire Regiment, Service Number 31204 Died 04/11/1918. Buried MHOW New Cemetery (www.cwgc.org/find-war-dead/casualty/1482050/SPIERS,%20FREDERICK%20HUBERT)

I do have a lot of further information about the Spiers genealogy which was researched by my aunt. In summary:

William Spiers (1850 – 1921) married Mary Ann Roberts (1859 – 1922)

They had 5 children, all born in Pendock

Frederick Hubert Spiers (1892 – ?). My family records record him as having died in Nov 1917 in India, but the War Grave reports his death as 4 Nov 2018.

George Spiers (1894 – 1917). Died 17 Aug 1917 in France (war record show death as 14 August)

Harry Oswald Spiers (4 Aug 1890 – 6 Nov 1966)

Emily Spiers (1889 – 1967)

Fanny Eveline Spiers (1899 – 1920)

I have visited Redmarley on a number of occasions. There are quite a few Spiers in the Churchyard.

I am the only (male) line of the Spiers name. Although I have a son, he has no children so together we represent the end of this line of the family name.

Best wishes

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