

## Charles William Creswell



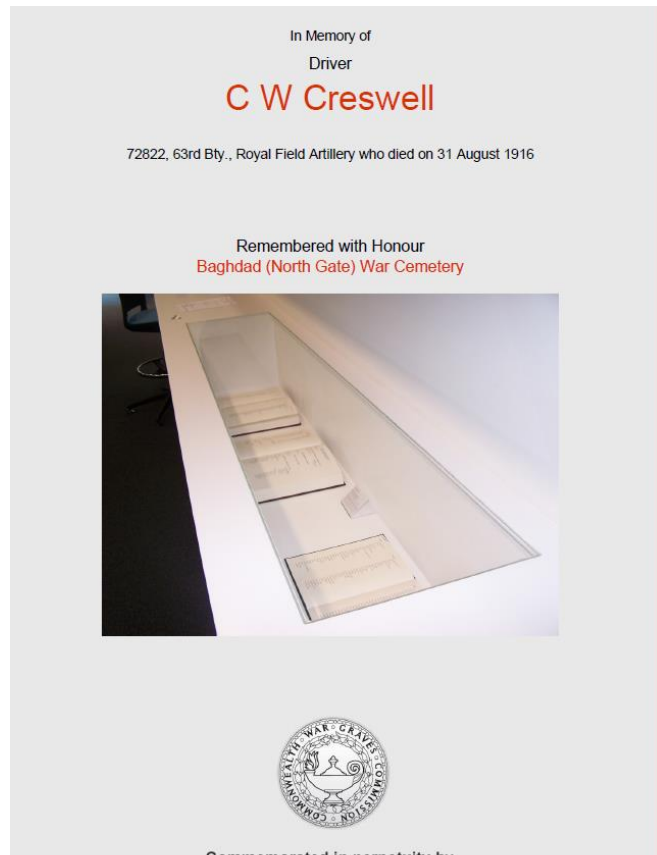
Charles William Creswell's birth was registered in Brentford in 1885, 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter. His father was Richard Creswell, born 1/05/1848, in Isleworth and died in 1928 and mother, Sarah nee Tilling, born in Berkshire in 1854, whose death was registered in Brentford in 1900. His father was brought up in South Street, Isleworth and held occupations as a shoe maker and painter; his mother as an ironer and washer. According to the 1891 and 1901 censuses, Charles lived in 24, Magdala Road, Isleworth with five brothers and sisters. Elizabeth Martha, who married Arthur George Ayres in 1903; Richard James, Florence Jane who married in 1909; Maria Martha who married Albert Edward Archer in 1910 and Sarah, a laundress in 1911, who married Frederick Mason in 1915. In 1901, Charles was employed as a dairy labourer.



*Isleworth c1915, showing part of Magdala Road, South of South Street and east of Worple Road*



Charles William enlisted in Hounslow and served with the Royal Horse and Field Artillery, initially with the 3<sup>rd</sup> Battalion. In 1911, he is recorded as being in Vacoas, Mauritius. The Battalion then transferred to India. When war broke out, Charles was serving as a driver, 72822, with the 63<sup>rd</sup> Battery, which then transferred to the 10<sup>th</sup> Brigade RFA. Charles died on 31<sup>st</sup> August 1916 in Turkey and is buried in the War Cemetery in Baghdad, Iraq (North Gate). In the register of Soldiers' Effects, Charles's father, Richard, received two sums of £46,71 and £11,10. Charles was awarded the Star Medal, for services in 1915. He is also remembered in All Saints Church, Isleworth.



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