

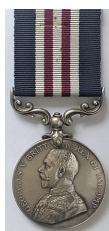


## Frederick T Clapham

Born 1893 in Islington, by 1911 he was living with his grandparents Edwin & Sarah Ellen Clapham in MH with four siblings. Ellen, Martha and Frederick all worked at the Stay Factory. He then lodged in Logan St with Mrs Pickering

Frederick married Charlotte Mabel Wells in late 1915. She was living at the Shoulder of Mutton G Bowden when he died. Charlotte remarried after the War and became Mrs Church

In December 1916 he was awarded the Military Medal for action in June that year.



Place enlisted    Market Harborough

Initial service no. 2181 then 240432

Initial regiment Leicestershire 1st/5th Btn

Date entered France 28/02/1915

Final rank    L Cpl

Date of death    01/08/1917

Cause of death    Killed in action

Died at age    24

Cemetery    "Loos Memorial, Pas de Calais" France

**September 15** Private Fred Clapham, of Harborough Territorials, was wounded in the shoulder and the mouth at the Battle of Loos. He was taken to North Evington Hospital and returned to France 11 months before he died.

*"I cannot tell you how sorry I am to have to write to tell you of your husband's death. He was out on patrol with me at the time, and while crawling near the Germans' wire we were seen, they immediately fired on us. Your husband was hit and died at once. We did our best to get his body back but the Germans bombed us and we were forced to leave him. Your husband was certainly one of the finest men I have ever met- he never shirked his duty and was always cheerful. I have seen as much of him as anybody and I know how much we have all lost."*  
Lieutenant in Leics Regiment.

