

War Memorial – The Green, Castle Bromwich

World War II 1939-1945

T/Major Frederick Knight Wynn (1906-1945) 127454 Royal Army Ordnance Corps (RAOC) died aged 38



Frederick was born on 11th June 1906 at Kings Norton to parents Howard Seymour and Linda Margarita Wynn (née Knight). His parents were married in 1897, by the Bishop of Coventry, at Castle Bromwich Church. By 1911 Frederick was living with his parents and two elder sisters at 19 Calthorpe Road, Edgbaston. He married Dorothy Rosa Betts on 13th April 1929 at St Mary Magdalene Church in Richmond, Surrey.

Frederick enlisted into the Army and on 15th April 1940, was commissioned to the RAOC (administrative branch) as a 2nd Lieutenant, the RAOC being responsible for weapons, armoured vehicles, military equipment, ammunition and clothing. In 1941 he served in Egypt being promoted to Temporary Captain and went on to serve in Italy (Central Mediterranean Forces) in late 1944, by then a Temporary Major and then on to Greece with the 583rd

Ordnance (Field Park Company). By that time the Aegean area had been occupied by German troops for some time, but by mid-November 1944 Greece was free of them, the British troops having the job of disarming them. In December disagreement with the Greek communists over the future government of the country led to more fighting, which continued until February 1945.

Frederick died from coronary thrombosis in 97 (British) General Hospital, Athens on 31st January 1945 aged 38. He is buried and remembered with honour at Phaleron War Cemetery, a few miles south east of Athens, Attica, Greece, he is also commemorated at the war memorial at The Green, Castle Bromwich. He was Mentioned in Dispatches - Mediterranean (posthumously) on 21st June 1945. Probate dated 5th October 1945 shows his widow Dorothy then living at Whateley House, Old Chester Road, Castle Bromwich.



FK Wynn gravestone