

## ALBERT FRANCIS ELLIOTT



Albert Francis Elliott was born in 1889 in the Parish of Alveston, the second son of Charles & Jemima Elliott. He enlisted into The Buffs at Canterbury in June 1908 No. 8888 aged 19yrs 3 months where he stated he had been an apprentice baker with Mr Pargetter for 3 years. He transferred to the Army Service Corps in August of that year so that he could work in his profession as a baker.

In 1916 he married Alice Lilian Shirley in Loxley Parish Church and made their home in Woodfield Farm, Loxley, Warwickshire.

By the end of the war in 1919, he was serving as a sergeant in the RASC No. S/26936. His army service records have survived, and can be found on the Find My Past web site.

He was awarded the British war medal, the Victory medal and the Mons Star, and was one of the "Old Contemptibles" as he served for the whole of the war.

The Elliott family have a wonderful archive of Albert's life in the army, complete with photographs of how the RASC catered for the army in the field of battle.

At the age of 83 he received an invitation to a Buckingham Palace garden party in honour of the British Legion, where he spoke with Prince Philip.

Elliott Drive, Wellesbourne was named after him.

Copies of some of these documents are in the Loxley Great War file.

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