

## Charles Web

Charles web was my great-great-grandfather. He was born in england. He came from a working class family who were quite poor. In 1914/1915, he became a soldier in the first world war. He went off to fight in the war and left his wife Elsie at home.



### The dog in the trench

First before I tell you this story I'd better explain, the german side ~~had~~ had trenches, and the english side had trenches. Of course, it would be disasterouse if the two sides were next door to each other, so they put 'No-mans' land between them where the battles took place

english trenches



German trenches

One night, charles was on watch. He heard a noise and went to look. There was a dog, probably a terrier. It was frozen. Charles knew the dog must of come from a village, a few miles away. But this couldn't survive a few more steps, never mind miles. So charles picked him up and brought him into the trench.

In his own room, him and a few friends put the dog in the oven, for he

was frozen. They defrosted him and gave him some food and water. They kept him for a few hours and when he was fit to leave, they released him. It would be too dangerouse to keep him in trenches. We do not know the fate of this dog, I doubt he survived, sadly.

### After the war

Being a gentle man, I doubt charles enjoyed the war. When the war was over he went back to Elsie. They had two children, Gladys and Ciel, though Ciel was brutal murdered in world war two. Gladys only died two years and we heard this story from her

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