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1. 12/533 Private John Alfred Truman 1<sup>st</sup> (Sheffield) Battalion York and Lancs Regiment. Alf Truman was born in Arnold, Nottingham in 1887 and he married Mary Fox Jeffery of Nethercotes Farm Bradwell in 1909. At that time he was a hairdresser. He enlisted in September 1914 when he was living in Woodhouse but his later Army papers show his address as Fern Bank, Bradwell. He appears to have contracted malaria serving in Salonika in 1917 and thereafter he was in and out of hospital until he left the Army in 1919. He died when living in Nethergreen Road, Sheffield in 1965.
2. 482119 Sergeant Walter J Harrington Royal Engineers (T). Walter is one of those soldiers whose name appears in the Bradwell Roll of Honour but for whom it has not been possible to find a connection with the village. Harringtons are listed as living in Baslow and Edale in the censuses but none of these was a Walter.
3. 56560 Private St Anton Stenton Hickinson 2nd Battalion, Royal Welsh Fusiliers. Stent was born in Bamford in 1889 and his first job was working at Castle Gate Farm, Eyam where he looked after the horses. By 1906 he was employed as a labourer at Brough Corn Mill where he continued until enlisting in 1914. Sadly Stent did not survive the war losing his life on 28<sup>th</sup> September 1917. He is commemorated at the Tyne Cot Memorial in Belgium.
4. Private George Walker Notts & Derby (Sherwood Foresters) Regiment. The 1911 census shows two Bradwell born men with the name George Walker living in the same house on the Hills. One was a 14 year old grocer's errand boy living with his father Albert Henry and mother Lavinia. The other was George Abner Walker who was a cotton doubler lodging with his brother Albert. But it has not been possible to determine whether the uncle or his nephew was visiting.
5. 28934 Private Charles Kendal Bradwell 27<sup>th</sup> Reserve Battalion 2<sup>nd</sup> Manchester Regiment. Ken Bradwell was born in Tideswell in 1896. By 1911 he was living with his father Alfred (a tailor) in Coplowdale where he was working as a farmer labourer. When he enlisted in 1916 he was living in Church Street and his occupation was given as cab driver. He was posted abroad for a year in 1916 -17 and then for the whole of 1918. His record shows that he received a gunshot wound to the wrist in December 1918! He left the Army in 1919 and married Fanny Liversidge of Smalldale with whom he had two sons Charles Kenneth and Sydney. Sydney was born in 1922, the year Ken died at the age of 26.