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1. 2999 Company Quartermaster Sergeant Walter Moorhouse 10<sup>th</sup> King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry. Sergt. Moorhouse was formerly a tram conductor in Sheffield having joined up on September 3<sup>rd</sup> 1914. He was visiting his wife Mrs (Fanny?) Moorhouse who was residing on the Hills. In 1917 he received severe wounds, shrapnel having penetrated his left knee. It was possibly for this action that he was awarded the Distinguished Conduct Medal (DCM). The citation reads 'For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He displayed great courage and determination throughout. Later although partially buried for 3h he remained at duty.'
2. 1263 Pte (later Signaller Corp) Oswald Darneley East Riding Yeomanry (ERY). 'Ossie's' home was in Hull where the family were builders, but they had a house in Bradwell. On the 27<sup>th</sup> October 1915 he embarked at Southampton for Salonika but en route was diverted to Alexandria in Egypt. In 1916 120 officers and men from the ERY were detached to serve under T E Lawrence (Lawrence of Arabia) but it is not known whether 'Ossie' was one of these). In December 1916 the ERY were moved to the Suez zone to form part of an ANZAC mounted division and took part in three battles in Gaza in 1917. He was injured when his horse was shot from under him and left Egypt for England on 12<sup>th</sup> January 1918. He was medically discharged on 29<sup>th</sup> March 1918 and was issued with a blue serge jacket to identify him as a returning injured soldier. This he wore to identify him and prevent him receiving a white feather (a token of cowardice). After the war he met and married Isabella Thomson and they had three children Jean, John and Alison. Alison still lives in Bradwell in the house called Dale End.
3. 38989 Pte George Elliott 9<sup>th</sup> York & Lancaster Regiment. George who was 31 in 1915 was living at home in Smalldale with his parents William and Marina in 1901. His occupation in 1901 was given as railway labourer.
4. 1449 Pte William Elliott Notts & Derby Regiment (Sherwood Foresters). William who was aged 28 in 1915 was living with parents on the Hills in 1901. His occupation in 1901 was given as apprentice shoe maker.
5. 10/1097 Pte John Darneley Petty. Jack had also been on leave in July 1915.