

**Edward Kerruish Moore**  
**Remembered with Honour**  
**Daours Communal Cemetery Extension**

**In Memory of**  
**Lieutenant**

**9th Bn., Manchester Regiment who died on 25 April 1918 Age 23**  
**Son of John Kerruish Moore and Margaret Ann Moore, of 79, Newmarket Rd.,**  
**Ashton-under-Lyne, Lancs.**

**Historical Information**

The preparations for the Somme offensive of July 1916 brought a group of casualty clearing stations (the 1st/1st South Midland, 21st, 34th, 45th and Lucknow, section "B") to Daours. The extension to the communal cemetery was opened and the first burials made in Plots I, II, Row A of Plot III and the Indian plot, between June and November 1916.

The Allied advance in the spring of 1917 took the hospitals with it, and no further burials were made in the cemetery until April 1918, when the Germans recovered the ground they had lost. From April to the middle of August 1918, the extension was almost a front line cemetery. In August and September 1918, the casualty clearing stations came forward again (the 5th, 37th, 41st, 53rd, 55th and 61st) but in September, the cemetery was closed.

**2/9th Battalion**

Formed at Ashton-under-Lyne in August 1914 as a second line unit. In November 1914 was placed under command of 198th Brigade in 66th (2nd East Lancashire) Division. Moved to Crowborough in May 1915, went on to Colchester in March 1916.

February 1917: landed in France.

19 February 1918: absorbed into 1/9th Bn and ceased to exist.

**1/9th Battalion**

August 1914: in Ashton-under-Lyne. Part of East Lancashire Brigade, East Lancashire Division. Moved to near Bury.

25 September 1914: landed at Alexandria in Egypt.

10 May 1915: landed on Gallipoli.

26 May 1915: formation became 126th Brigade, 42nd (East Lancashire) Division.

Late December 1915: evacuated from Gallipoli, landed on Mudros and proceeded to Egypt.

2 March 1917: landed Marseilles and proceeded to the Western Front.

19 February 1918: transferred to 198th Brigade in 66th (2nd East Lancashire) Division, absorbing 2/9th Bn and renamed as 9th Battalion.

April 1918: reduced to cadre.

22 July 1918: transferred to 199th Brigade in same Division. Absorbed 13th Bn, newly arrived from Salonika, on 13 August 1918.

**Background:**

In 1911 the family are at 79 Newmarket Road. His father John Kerruish Moore is a Certified Schoolmaster working for the Borough Council originally from Ramsay in the Isle of Man. He has three brothers, Ernest John aged 14, William Henry aged 7 and Arthur aged 3

In 1901 I can only find his father John K Moore living at St Johns Road, Longsight

In 1881 I found Edward's grandparents at 8 Beech Street, Cheetham.

Silas and Catherine moor from the Isle of Man with children John Kerruish Moore, sisters Mary I, Elliver and brother William s

In 1871 they are back in the Isle of Man living at Ship Yard Head North, Ramsay, Isle of Man.

There is a published family history linking this family back to a 16th century Sir John Moore of Douglas, Isle of Man.

Edward is also listed on the Ashton-under-Lyne War Memorial