

# Clifford Henry Dutton



**Date of birth** 11 Apr 1896

**Place of birth** Pontypridd Glamorgan

**Family History** Clifford Henry was the eldest surviving son of Thomas Dutton and Thermuthis Lucy (Lucy) Dutton nee Perry.

Thomas Dutton was born in Litchfield, Staffordshire and his wife in Paulton, Staffordshire. They had seven children of whom only four were still living in 1911; the surviving children were all born in Ystrad, Glamorgan, Wales.

Thomas was living at 18 Elwyn Street, Llanbussant, Glamorgan, when he was notified of his son's death. The CWGC record gives his parents address as 7 Natmelyn Terrace, Tonyrefail, Glamorgan.

**Employment/Hobbies** In 1911 he was a storeman. When he joined the Royal Navy in 1915 he gave his occupation as a fitter and turner.

**Date of death** 08 Oct 1917      **Age at death** 21

**Commonwealth Grave No** 2750196.      **Service number** K/29892 (P)

**Rank** Stoker 1st Class      **Military Unit** HMS Dartmouth Royal Navy

**Military History** Clifford joined the Royal Navy at the age of 19 on 16 December 1915 on a 'hostilities only' engagement.

He served in the following ships and shore establishments: Victory II, 16 December 1915-5 May 1916 (Stoker 2nd Class, Stoker 1st Class 26 February 1916); HMS Dartmouth, 6 May 1916-18 June 1917; Egmont II, 19 June 1917-30 August 1917; Victory II, 31 August 1917-8 October 1917.

His service record was annotated 'NP 8352/17. DD 8 October 1917 from Lymphosarcoma RN Hospital Haslar [Portsmouth].'

**Extra Information** lymphosarcoma: 'a malignant tumour in lymphatic tissue, caused by the growth of abnormal lymphocytes'

Personal inscription on gravestone: '**God called him unto his eternal glory**'.

Clifford was born in Glamorgan and was living there with his family in 1911; his parents were still living in Glamorgan when he died in 1917. No information has yet been found as to why Clifford, whose service record shows he died in Portsmouth, was buried in Nottingham.