



## John William Potter

John William Potter was born in Corby in 1896. His father, Samuel Potter was originally from Geddington, his mother Charlotte Potter was from Corby.

### Family

In the 1901 Census, the family is living with Charlotte's father, John Frisby, in The Nook, Corby. John Frisby was a retired general labourer, born in Corby in 1821.

With Samuel & Charlotte were their children, Harold, Elsie, John William (also known as Willie) and Frances Nellie. Samuel's occupation is listed as "carpenter".

In 1911, the Potter family are the sole occupants of the property in The Nook. Samuel is still listed as a "carpenter" but at the Blast Furnace. Eldest son Harold is also working at the Blast Furnace as a "labourer".

John William Potter is listed as a "shop assistant".

### Military Service

John "Willie" Potter served as a Private in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Battalion, Northamptonshire Regiment (59822).

He is recorded as having served in France/Flanders. It is unclear what wounds he suffered but he returned home to the United Kingdom.

He died at home in Corby on 14<sup>th</sup> November 1918, three days after Armistice Day.

Private John "Willie" Potter is buried in the Rockingham Road Cemetery, Corby. He is the only First World War military fatality buried in Corby.

***Lest We Forget***

**James William Potter**  
of the Northamptonshire Regiment.

d.14<sup>th</sup> November 1918