



Walter Bootland



Walter Bootland was born in Collingham, oldest son of farm foreman, **William** and mother, **Elizabeth**. The couple had eleven children but only 7 survived childhood and she died at the age of 42 in 1905. By 1914 Walter was living in Northallerton with his wife, **Christiana Westoby**, who he had married in 1900 and their four children, **Edward, Eric, Adkin and Winifred**. Walter enlisted in 1915 and was posted to Bombay. He died from influenza in November 1918, unaware that his son, Edward, had died of pneumonia whilst in barracks in England.



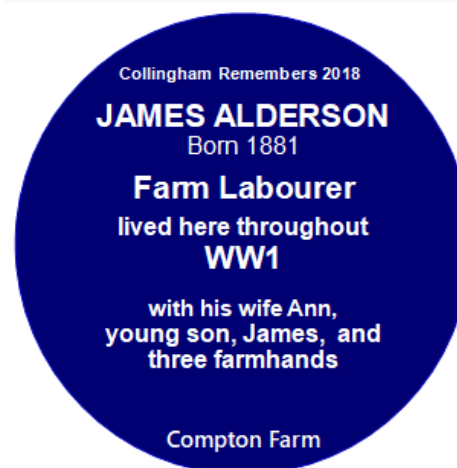
Arthur Bootland



Arthur Bootland was born in Collingham in 1893, son of **William** and mother, **Elizabeth**. In 1911 the family was living at Compton and Arthur and two brothers were working as farm labourers. Arthur served with the West Yorkshire Regiment in France and was killed in action in August 1918. The cruel blow of losing two sons and a grandson in the last three months of the war led to William leaving Compton by 1924. He died in Wetherby in 1941.



Compton Farm 1939



James Alderson was born in a village near Malton in 1881. His father, **John**, was a platelayer on the railway. He grew up with eight brothers and sisters. James married in 1909 and moved to Compton where he lived with his wife **Ann** and three farm labourers. Their son, James, was born the following year. James remained at the farm throughout WW1.



Frederick William Dalby came from a long line of farmers, with his Grandfather, James, born on the farm at Compton in 1829. His father **Joseph** was farming at Compton after his marriage and Frederick grew up on the farm with five siblings. In 1903 Frederick married **Evelyn Alice Long** in St Oswald's Church and their only child, **Evelyn Violet** was born four years later. In 1931 Evelyn Violet married **Gilbert Cann** in Chichester and emigrated to New Zealand around the outbreak of WW2. Frederick died in Compton in 1962.

Compton



Collingham Remembers 2018

JAMES LEVITT

Born 1878

Horseman on Farm

lived here during
WW1

with his wife Elizabeth
and 2 farmhand lodgers

Compton Farm Cottages

James Levitt was born in Holme on Spalding Moor in 1878 and lived in Compton Farm Cottage throughout WW1, with his wife **Elizabeth**. James worked as a horseman on a farm and a Waggoner and a Groom lodged with the couple.



**The Old Star Pub, Collingham
Bramham hunt 1905**