

<i>Name</i>	Henry MARSHALL
<i>Birth Place</i>	Armley, Leeds, Yorkshire
<i>Occupation 1911</i>	Labourer (steelworks)
<i>Date of Birth</i>	Third quarter 1860
<i>Date Enlisted</i>	10 September 1914

Photograph

<i>Parents</i>	William & Zillah MARSHALL
<i>Married</i>	6 October 1884

*Information from National Roll of the Great War*

MARSHALL, H, Sergeant, 4<sup>th</sup> Northants Regt.

Having previously served in the Army, he re-enlisted in September 1914 in the 4<sup>th</sup> Northamptonshire Regiment and was attached to the Military Mounted Police until discharge in January 1915. In the following month he joined the Royal Defence Corps and, engaged in guarding prisoners of war, did excellent work during hostilities. Demobilised in January 1919, he holds the Egyptian Medal, with clasp, Tel-el-Kebir and Khedive's Bronze Star.

Bugbrooke, Northants.

*Additional Information*

Henry MARSHALL (sometimes recorded as 'Harry') first enlisted in 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion, the West Yorkshire Militia, but was quickly persuaded to join the regular army, which he did on 29 October 1877 when he attested for the Royal Artillery, specifically for service with the Royal Horse Artillery. He served as a Gunner and was promoted to Bombardier [Corporal equivalent] for a while before being reduced in rank. Despite a mixed disciplinary record, he was able to extend his service to 12 years from the initial four (perhaps because he was a very good horseman who qualified as a 'Rough Rider' in June 1886). He was discharged on completion of his engagement on 30 October 1899. He enlisted in the Army Reserve on 9 December that year, for four years.

He had served overseas in the campaign in Egypt and Sudan from 9 August to 17 October 1882, qualifying for the Egypt Medal, 1882, with single clasp TEL-EL-KEBIR, and the Khedive of Sudan's Bronze Star.

On 6 October 1884 Henry had married Mary Elizabeth ALLEN from Bugbrooke, without official permission, so did not receive the relevant army pay and benefits.

On 15 March 1900 he re-attested for the RHA, for one year's Home Service as a regular and a further period on the Reserve. Although promoted Bombardier early on, he reverted to Gunner at his own request and was discharged from his Regular commitment on 15 March 1901.

In the 1911 Census, Henry is shown as working as a labourer in the lift factory in Northampton. He declared 12 children, all born in Bugbrooke, eleven of whom had survived. Two sons served in the Royal Garrison Artillery during the war and survived – John, born 1892 and Joseph Frank, born 1895.

Henry volunteered again on 10 September 1914 and was attached to the Military Mounted Police until discharged on 13 February 1915. On 20 February 1915 he enlisted in the Royal Defence Corps as Private 15889. No doubt because of his experience, he received early promotion – to Lance-Corporal from 3 April 1915, to Corporal from 22 November 1917 and to Acting Sergeant from 10 January 1918, in which rank he was demobilised on 20 March 1919.

His home service did not qualify him for any of the war medals as he never left the UK mainland.