



Thame Remembers

Captain Sidney C Maskell-Dicker



Sidney Charles Maskell-Dicker was born on 22 July 1910 in Lambeth, the son of Sidney and Dora Maskell-Dicker. His father was killed in 1915, whilst serving with the Kings Royal Rifle Corps.

Living with his mother and sister Muriel in Chinnor Road, Thame, he attended Lord Williams's Grammar School. He obtained a B.Sc. in Education at Reading University, and then went on to teach at The Royal Free School in Windsor, then the Central Boys School in Deal, Kent, and was a Member of the Royal Society of Teachers and F.R.H.S.

Enlisting at the outbreak of WW2, he was gazetted as a 2nd Lieutenant into the Wiltshire Regiment in November 1939. On the 23rd July 1944, now a Captain of D Company, 5th Battalion, he was in a slit trench in the village of Maltot, on the outskirts of Caen, Normandy. He was killed instantly when a shell from a German Tiger tank hit the trench. He was 34 years of age.

Buried near where he fell, his body was re-interred on 14th November 1945 in the St. Manvieu War Cemetery, Cheux, Normandy. He left over £440 in his will, to be administered by his "beloved" sister Mollie. He is remembered in Thame on the Lord Williams's School memorial board.



**The
Thame Remembers Cross
was delivered
to his grave on
15th September 2015
by
David and Beryl Kew
Thame residents**

