

# World War 1 Roll of Honour

## Birmingham City Police

### PS D9 George Edward CLARKE

### Able Seaman J68362 Royal Navy



George was born 7<sup>th</sup> September 1894 in Banbury and a resident of 10 Lower Windsor Street, Banbury. He worked at Henry Stone and Sons Ltd in Banbury for 6 years and four months

On 22<sup>nd</sup> February 1915, George joined Birmingham City Police as a cabinet maker, he was issued with warrant number 8590, and posted to the D Division with collar number PC D236

5<sup>th</sup> March 1917 George resigned from the police to join HM Forces. In total, George served 2 years 10 months with the Royal Navy from 8<sup>th</sup> March 1917 aboard Victory 1

16<sup>th</sup> November 1919 George returned to England from his service abroad with the Royal Navy

5<sup>th</sup> January 1920 George re-joined the police from HM Forces and was issued with a new warrant number 9377

30<sup>th</sup> August 1922 George married Lucy Jane Smith. They had three children, Olive Lucy who was born on 11<sup>th</sup> January 1924, Brenda who was born on 21<sup>st</sup> December 1926 but sadly died the following day, and Irene May who was born 8<sup>th</sup> December 1929

6<sup>th</sup> November 1922 George transferred to the R Division for 12 months to perform duties at the Lock Up and was issued with collar number PC R91

9<sup>th</sup> November 1922 George was complimented for the arrest of two housebreakers

3<sup>rd</sup> January 1923 George was presented with a book prize by the Lord Mayor

1<sup>st</sup> June 1925 George was promoted to the rank of sergeant with the collar number of PS R43

18<sup>th</sup> June 1928 George transferred to the D Division as PD D9

4<sup>th</sup> March 1931 George was complimented for rendering first aid (Lysol poisoning)

7<sup>th</sup> December 1933 George was again complimented for rendering first aid (fractured femur and patella)

5<sup>th</sup> December 1934 George was again complimented for rendering first aid (fractured ribs and forearm, bruised patella, wounds to hand and chin)

3<sup>rd</sup> April 1935 George was complimented for rendering first aid (fractured femur)

13<sup>th</sup> January 1938 George was presented with a shorthand certificate (80 words per minute)

7<sup>th</sup> July 1938 George was awarded a guinea for first aid (carbolic poisoning)

24<sup>th</sup> July 1939 George was presented with a Pitman's shorthand teacher's diploma

22<sup>nd</sup> January 1943, George submitted a report to the Chief Constable requesting retirement due to ill health. He stated that he was currently on sick leave recovering from an operation for a double hernia and that it was the second operation on the right-hand side, as it had broken down from the previous operation in 1935. He was apprehensive in case he had to perform a strenuous action there would be serious consequences and requested to retire due to ill health

7<sup>th</sup> February 1943 George retired from the police having completed 27 years and five months service with a pension of £195 13 s 5d per annum and was residing at 61 Frances Road, Erdington, Birmingham

