## SYMONDS, Victor

Victor Simeon John Symonds was born in Whitchurch Canonicorum, Dorset in 1892. He was the son of Simeon Symonds (born Whitchurch in 1868) and Fanny Symonds (born South Perrott, Dorset 1897)

In 1901 the Symonds family lived in Rock, Membury. Simeon (33) was a carpenter, his wife Fanny (34) and children Beatrice (12), Agnes (10), Victor (9) all born in Whitchurch and then Edith (2) and Evelyn (8 months) both born in Membury.

Victor enlisted in Lyme Regis on 23 November 1914 aged 22 years 11 months, into the Army Service Corps (No. 030630) Samuel Harris of 65 Broad Street, Lyme Regis gave him a reference saying that he worked for him as Assistant, and certified Victor as capable and industrious. But his trade is given as a Butcher. Height 5 feet 6½ ins. He gave his address as Rock, Membury. He requested a transfer to the Royal Field Artillery in 1916.

Victor married Bessie Elizabeth Moore 15 June 1920 in the parish of Melplash and died in the winter of 1963 in the registration district of Bridport.