

Edith M. Gerrish d 16 April 1941



IN LOVING MEMORY OF
EDITH MAY, BELOVED WIFE OF
JOSEPH HENRY GERRISH
KILLED THROUGH ENEMY ACTION 16TH APRIL 1941
AGED 40 YEARS.
ALSO THE ABOVE **JOSEPH HENRY GERRISH**
DIED 14TH JANUARY 1952
AGED 63 YEARS
ALSO THEIR BELOVED SON
JOSEPH HENRY GERRISH
DIED 2 – 4 – 98 AGED 77 YEARS

At the foot is another stone, reading:

FLORENCE GERRISH
1.10.1918 – 17.1.2005
A WONDERFUL MOTHER,
NANNA & GREAT NANNA.
THOSE WE LOVE DON'T GO AWAY
THEY WALK BESIDE US EVERY DAY

A typical funeral account from *Barrow News* 26 April 1941 reads:

WARDENS ACT AS BEARERS AT BARROW

The funeral of Mrs. Edith M. Gerrish took place on Monday afternoon from 33, Adelaide-street, Barrow. The first portion of the service was conducted at St. Mark's Church by the Rev. G. E. Woodmansey, who also officiated at the graveside.

The mourners were: Mr. J. Gerrish, husband; Mr. Harry Gerrish and Miss D. Fisher, son and fiancée; Mr. John Gerrish, son; Mr. and Mrs. A. Hoggarth, brother and sister-in-law; Mr. W. Gerrish, sister and brother-in-law (*sic*); Mr. and Mrs. G. Tomlin; Mr. S. Lockley; Mr. E. Lockley; Mr. and Mrs. G. Dickson, Miss Bloomer, Miss Foster, Mrs. F.P. Gerrish, Mr. W. Gerrish, Mr. J. Gerrish, Mr. and Mrs. J. Padley, Mr. and Mrs. A. Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. Brown, Mr. and Miss Fisher, Mr. and Mrs. Townson, and Mrs. Grant, Wardens Govan, Fenton, Bell, Cowan, Wilkinson, and Kirkby acted as bearers, and a large number of Wardens from D3 Post attended the funeral.

The arrangements were carried out by Mr. W. J. Fox, of Rawlinson-street, Barrow.

CWGC records the death of Edith Gerrish: of 12 Union Street. Wife of Joseph Henry Gerrish. Died at 12 Union Street.

Edith had lived at 12 Union Street for most, if not all, of her life. In the **1911 Census** living at that address were Agnes Brockbank (65), Head, Widow, born Scotland; Marion Brockbank (39), Single, born Barrow; Edith (sic) May Brockbank (9), Grand-daughter, At School, born Barrow; Elizabeth Brockbank (27), Daughter-in-law, born Barrow; Harold Brockbank (5) Son (*sic* – presumably son of Elizabeth.), At School, born Barrow.

Edith M. Brockbank married Joseph H. Gerrish in quarter 1 1920 at St James, Barrow.

The **1939 Register** records the residents of 12 Union Street: Joseph Henry Gerrish SEN (DoB 2 September 1888), Turbine Engine Driver - Alternators & Blowing; A.R.P. (Air Raid Precautions) Warden Barrow Haematite Steel Co.; Edith M. Gerrish (DoB 25 May 1901) Unpaid Domestic Duties; Joseph H. Gerrish JUN (DoB 26 August 1920), Apprentice Bricklayer; John F. Gerrish (DoB 21 February 1925), At school.

Joseph was born in Westhoughton, Lancs, and can be found living with parents and siblings at 27 Melbourne Street, Barrow in the **1901 Census**. By the 1911 Census, Joseph was a Wireworker, and the family was living at 15 Adelaide Street, Barrow.

The **National Probate Calendar (Index of Wills and Administrations) 1952** leaves the Administration of Joseph's Effects of £739 16s 3d to John Frederick Gerrish shipyard fitter.