

# Eleazar John SQUIRE

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Lance Sergeant

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Eleazar joined the Territorial Force of the Dorsetshire Regiment for service overseas in August 1914 in Dorchester. The Regiment was part of South Western Brigade, Wessex Division and moved to Salisbury Plain for training. On 9<sup>th</sup> October 1914 he sailed with the 1<sup>st</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Battalion to India, arriving in Bombay on 10<sup>th</sup> November 1914. On 23<sup>rd</sup> February 1916 the Battalion landed at Basra, now in modern day Iraq with 42nd Indian Brigade and the Dorset's remained in Mesopotamia for the rest of the war. Eleazar was 'killed in action' in Mesopotamia on 28<sup>th</sup> September 1917 and is commemorated on the Chideock War Memorial. His early enlistment meant he was entitled to the Territorial Force War Medal, rather than the 1914 Star.

