Roy Prior

Roy's parents were Ernest Prior, born in Nottingham in 1885 and Florrie Marriott, born in Pleasley in 1895. Ernest and Florrie married in Mansfield in c.1919 and Roy Prior was born in Mansfield in 1920.

Shortly after Roy's birth the family moved to Great Parndon at number 3 Kingsmoor Road. Ernest and Florrie ran the local post office. They had two further children: Sylvia and Marie.

L/Sgt Roy Prior, 2722012, enlisted in The Irish Guards in August 1940. He landed at Normandy with The 3rd Battalion on 20 June 1944. Just over 8 months later Roy was killed in action on 5 March 1945 aged 24, near the Dutch border in Germany, southeast of Nijmegen. Roy Prior is buried in Reichwald Forest War Cemetery, Cleves, Germany. Plot 43, row E, grave 3. Register Index Number GerI.

Following Roy's death, his parents gave up running the post office and moved to 6 Kingsmoor Road.

