Second Lieutenant, 9th Battalion, York and Lancaster Regiment Died 7th June 1917, aged 38

Son of Andrew Denyer and Fanny Helena Denyer (nee Smith), of 83, St. Ronan's Rd., Southsea. Andrew was a grocer.

Husband of Edith Florence Denyer, of 34, Steyne Gardens, Worthing. Had two children:

- Kenneth (b 1909)
- Freda (b. 1910)

Enlisted as Private 2935, Royal Sussex Regiment in 1914.

The award of the Military Cross was gazetted on 26th May 1917:

Temp 2nd Lieutenant Augustus Andrew Denyer, York & Lan. R.

"For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. In spite of being subjected to the most intense hostile bombardment, he maintained his position, and throughout set a splendid example to his men."





Taken during his time on the front line

Letter from the Bank Manager in congratulations at the award of the Military Cross

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Worthing, 25th April 1917

Dear Mrs Denyer

Kindly accept and convey to your husband my hearty congratulations on the honour of which he has just been the recipient, it comes as no surprise that his merits should be manifested, granted the opportunity, but it is most gratifying to know that the opportunity of distinguishing himself should have come so early and I trust that he will be spared to return and enjoy, in good health the, honours of which I trust this will prove the first merely, of a series.

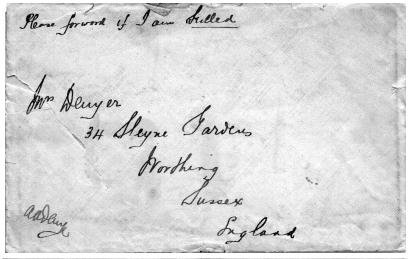
If I had known the number of his Battalion in the York and Lancasters I should have spared you the writing to transmit my congratulations.

Believe me

Yours sincerely

A. M. Jarrow

Letter received by Edith after Augustus' death



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9th York & Lancs
23rd Division
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My Darling Edie

I am writing these few lines to you as I go to my regiment in the line.

Not knowing what may be before me, though I have prayed that I may be restored again to you I feel I should like to write a few lines to let you know my thoughts are of you and the little ones.

Should the worst happen dearest, be brave and try to see it was for the best, kiss the little ones for me and tell them that my last wish was that they should always look after you.

As for you dearest, you have been a better wife to me that I could have ever hoped or deserved, your love so true has been my greatest comfort during these trying times and I know it has been a comfort to you to know that my love for you has been no less, no two have spent a happier 10 years than we.

Let these thoughts dearest strengthen and comfort you in the future.

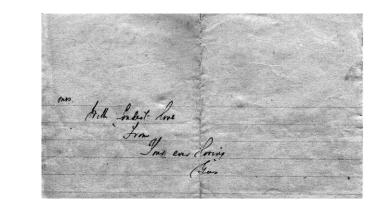
May God protect you and the little ones.

With fondest love

From

Your ever loving

Gus



Source: Christopher Dixon