

Ref: FOI2021/06581

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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email of 21 June 2021 to the Ministry of Defence (MOD), requesting the following information:

"I am requesting information on the below named soldier under the FoI Act as the person was born over 112 years ago.

I am seeking his service records and full medal entitlement from both World Wars please.

The deceased serviceman's details are as follow:

Samuel Scott HALLIDAY - Royal Artillery.

Born: 4th October 1895

Died: 9th October 1959

Service Numbers: 978, 750157, 741940"

I am treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

A search for the information has now been completed within the MOD and I can confirm that all information in scope of your request is held.

Mr Halliday's service records show he served in the Territorial Army (TA) from 26 July 1921 to 04 May 1939 under service number 741940. The medal entitlement of Samuel Scott Halliday is as follows:

- Efficiency Medal (T)
- Coronation Medal
- Military Medal

Under Section 16 (Advice and Guidance) you may be interested to know that these can be viewed online at the London Gazette website at the following link: <https://www.thegazette.co.uk/>

Furthermore, the records also show that under service number 750157 the medal earner was discharged due to wounds, possibly during WW1 service, and the medal cards can be found at The National Archives at the following link: <https://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/>

Lastly, you may be interested to know that you can request military service records online, this includes your own, or someone who's deceased. Further information on this can be found at the following link:

<https://www.gov.uk/get-copy-military-service-records>

If you have any queries regarding the content of this letter, please contact this office in the first instance.

If you wish to complain about the handling of your request, or the content of this response, you can request an independent internal review by contacting the Information Rights Compliance team, Ground Floor, MOD Main Building, Whitehall, SW1A 2HB (e-mail CIO-FOI-IR@mod.gov.uk). Please note that any request for an internal review should be made within 40 working days of the date of this response.

If you remain dissatisfied following an internal review, you may raise your complaint directly to the Information Commissioner under the provisions of Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act. Please note that the Information Commissioner will not normally investigate your case until the MOD internal review process has been completed. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF. Further details of the role and powers of the Information Commissioner can be found on the Commissioner's website at <https://ico.org.uk/>.

Yours sincerely

Defence Business Services Secretariat