



- 670** Military Medal GVI 9405322 Cpl. E.W.Edwards, R.Tank R.), 1939- 45 Star, Africa Star, Italy Star, Defence and War Medal. For Greek Civil War Cpl (later L/Sgt) Edward Wallace Edwards, Royal Tank Corps, served with 50th Royal Tank Regiment as a tank crew/commander through the North Africa and Italy campaigns. Cpl Edwards was awarded the MM and was in the campaign against the Communists in the Greek Civil War. The MM was London Gazette 10.05.1945. The recommendation, like so many for the Greek Civil War, has not been released by the MOD but it does appear in the book '50th Royal Tank Regiment, The Complete History' by Stephen D. Hamilton which states that on New Years Eve 1944: - "At Athens on the night of 31st Dec/1st January 1944 an attack by the ELAS was made against one of the most forward post of C Squadron's sector, under the Command of Corporal Edwards. Despite a determined assault the post held firm and suffered no casualties, though inflicting a number on the ELAS. The next morning Corporal Edwards realised that the enemy had occupied the house across the road from his post. Taking two men with him, Edwards attacked the position, breaking into the house they discovered that the ELAS had 'mouse holed' from the rear of the building and were preparing to put the house into a state of defence. Determined to clear the position Edwards pressed home his attack. Subsequently two ELAS were killed and a third wounded. Due to Corporal Edwards' aggressive leadership, arms and ammunition had been captured and the ELAS never again attempted to occupy a house near his position". A 1962 newspaper clipping also comes with the group detailing some of Edwards' exploits in the Desert. Including stating that L/Sgt Edwards was a pre-war regular and has been seriously wounded by burns when his tank was hit. On recovering from his wounds he acted as Montgomery's driver. GVF (6)

£2000 - £2200

- 671** Military Medal GV, BWM & Victory Medal - 676 Bmdr T.H.Kirby A/245 W.Rid.Bde.R.F.A. - T.F. (entitled to 1914-15 Star). Bombardier Thomas Henry Kirby entered France on 14.04.1915 and was killed In Action on 05.08.1917. He is buried in the Bus House Cemetery, Belgium. He was born in and enlisted Leeds. His award of the Military Medal was L/G 11.11.1916. Served with 49th W.Rid Div Howitzer Bty, most likely a Somme Award for July 1916. GVF (3)

£400 - £450



- 672** Military Medal, 1915 Star Trio and Death Plaque to L-17742 A.Bmbr Edwin James Green RFA (MM named A.BY.170/BDE RFA). Killed In Action 20/12/1916. Born Lancaster. Buried Sailly-Au-Bois Military Cemetery. MM L/G 16/11/1916, 170/BDA served with 31st Division, it is possible this award was for 1st July at Serre as this was their only main action until November. A number of 1/7/1916 awards on this Gazette. GVF (5)

£400 - £450



- 673** Military Medal, 1915 Star, BWM & Victory Medal, French Croix De Guerre 1914-1918 (not confirmed), and A Minto Medal Calcutta 1907. To 32297 Cpl Calib G. Saunders RGA (B.Q.M.Sjt on pair). Entitled to a Silver War Badge. MM L/G 21/8/1917 12th Siege Battery RGA. Award likely for June 1917, Messines. (5+1) GVF

£380 - £400



- 674** Military Medal, BWM & Victory Medal to 29731 Pte Leslie V. Rose 4/Bedford Regt, transferred to 11th Suffolks as 69701. MM L/G 20/8/1919. Probably a general award for Gallantry over the last 6 months of the war. MM won with 4/Bedfords in 190/Brigade 63rd R.N.Div Battles of the Hindenburg Line 1918. EF (3) See also other family MM to Rose

£350 - £400

- 675** Military Medal, BWM & Victory Medal to 29991 Pte Albert William Wakefield 7/R.W.Kent Regt. MM L/G 11/2/1919 for the Battle of Amiens August 8th 1918 attack at Burke Trench near The Bray - Corbie Road. With Demob Certificate. EF (3)

£400 - £450

- 676** Military Medal, BWM & Victory Medal to 4845 Pte H H Lang Gloucester Regt (MM named 202577 Pte H H Lang 8/R.West Kent R). MM L/G 14/5/1919 and awarded for Gallantry during the Battle of Haussey during the advance from Cambrai to Maubeuge 14th to 16th Oct 1918. Award is confirmed for this action by Battalion History page 245 (11 MM's awarded for Haussey). EF (3)

£400 - £450