Thomas Hough



Rank: - Private

Number: - 21510

Regiment: - King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry 1st Battalion

Missing, presumed Killed in Action: - 04/10/1915 Age: 25 years

Memorial: - Loos Memorial, Pas de Calais, France Panel 97 and 98.

Batley Reporter 25th February 1916

Family Details

Thomas was born in Batley in c.1890.

Thomas married Ellen Burke in Oct Qtr. 1912, registered Dewsbury. Ada Ann was born in 1914 and Thomas in 1915

Thomas formerly lived at 18, Albert Street, Batley Carr.
Before enlisting he was employed by Mr. Hodgson, plasterer, Dewsbury.

Service Details

Thomas was a Territorial and he enlisted at the outbreak of war, and went to France on 26th May 1915.

On 17th December 1914 the 1st Battalion returned to Hursley Park and came under command of 83rd Brigade in 28th Division.

In 1915 they part in: -

The Second Battle of Ypres (22nd April -25 May) this began with surprise German attack using poison gas against French North African forces holding defences near Ypres. The Battle of Loos (25 September – 8 October). It was the biggest British attack of 1915, the first time British used poison gas and the first mass engagement of New Army units.

His wife had a letter from Thomas on the 23rd September and after enquiries all she received were messages that he could not be found. It was not until February 1916 that he was officially posted missing from October 4th 1915.

Thomas was awarded the 1915 Star, British War Medal and the Victory Medal.

He is remembered with Honour on Batley War Memorial.



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