

## **Herts at War**

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**Name:** Leonard Abel SELL

**Rank:** Gunner

**Service Number:** 28275

**Date of Death:** 9<sup>th</sup> April 1918

**Age:** 30

**Regiment/Service:** 122 Heavy Battery  
Royal Garrison Artillery

**Award:** 1914 Star Trio.

**Grave/Memorial Reference:** 30 BO

**Cemetery/Memorial:** Cheshunt Cemetery

**UK Cemetery/Memorial:** Goffs Oak Memorial  
Cheshunt Memorial.

### **Pre War:**

He was born in 1888 in Goffs Oak, son of Abel and Anna, one of 8 children; in 1901 the family were living in Goffs Oak. He enlisted in The Army in London and by 1911 he was a Gunner in The Royal Garrison Artillery living in Stamford Fort Barracks, Turnchapel, Plymstock, Devon.

### **Wartime Service:**

He went to France 17<sup>th</sup> September 1914. At some stage he returned to England as a result of being wounded and later died at home.

### **Additional Information:**

In June 1997 Broxbourne Borough Council received a suggestion from the Chairman of Goffs Oak Community Association to name roads to commemorate the men who lost their lives in the two world wars that are displayed on the Goffs Oak War Memorial.

It was decided that these names should be used for the large development in Hammond Street Road

This soldier was one of them, Sell Close is named in his memory

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