

Herts at War

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Name: BECKH Robert Harold
Rank: 2nd Lieutenant
Service Number:
Date of Death: 15 Aug 1916
Age: 22
Regiment/Service: East Yorkshire Regiment 12th Bn.



Award:

Grave/Memorial Reference: Marquillies Com. Cem. German Extn. Mem. 24

Cemetery/Memorial: Cabaret-Rouge British Cemetery, Souchez, France
Haileybury College Memorial, Hertford Heath
Haileybury College Chapel Roll of Honour, Hertford Heath
UK Cemetery/Memorial: Hoddesdon and Rye Park Town Memorial
St Catherine and St Paul's Church, Hoddesdon
St Cuthbert's Church, Rye Park

Pre War:

Born on 1 Jan 1894 in London son of Victor Ferdinand and Edith Maria (Ledward) Beckh of "Thele" Great Amwell, Herts. Educated at Haileybury College 1908-13 and Jesus College, Cambridge.

Wartime Service:

He had spent just one year at Jesus College, Cambridge before volunteering with his very close friend from Prep School. Beckh spent most of 1915 training. He was sent to the front in Jun 1916 and was killed passing back through the enemy's wire with his 4 man patrol on the night of 15 Aug 1916.

Additional Information:

Robert Beckh published a collection of poems "Swallows in Storm and Sunlight". An early poem expresses his disgust that, even in wartime, industrial unrest should afflict the Nation.

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