

Herts at War

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Name: DARBY, HERBERT FRANK

Rank: Private

Service Number: 77443

Date of Death: 31/10/1915

Age: 29

Regiment/Service: Canadian Infantry 7th Bn.

Award:

Grave/Memorial Reference: I. F. 180.

Cemetery/Memorial: BAILLEUL COMMUNAL CEMETERY EXTENSION, NORD, France

UK Cemetery/Memorial: Hitchin War Memorial, St Mary's Church, Hitchin
St Mary's Church Memorial Book, Hitchin (*not confirmed*)

Pre War:

He was the son of James and Esther Darby of Hitchin, born on 23rd December 1884 in Hitchin. He enlisted on the 9th November 1914 in Vancouver when he was 29 years and 10 months old. His was working as a clerk and his paper record him as 5' 5 ½" with a dark complexion with light brown eye and dark brown hair.

Wartime Service:

His Service Number was 77443 and he was in the 7th Battalion (British Columbia) Canadian Infantry. At the time of his death this unit was in the 2nd Canadian Brigade of the 1st Canadian Division.

He is buried in Plot 1, Row F, Grave 180 in the Bailleul Communal Cemetery Extension in France. A private inscription on the stone reads "*Forever in our thoughts*" as requested by Miss K Darby of 45 Salter's Avenue, Southsea, Hants.

Additional Information:

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