

Herts at War

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Name: Charles Dixon

Rank: Pioneer

Service Number: 128911

Date of Death: 26th February 1917

Age: 38

Regiment/Service: 3rd Special Battalion Royal Engineers
Formerly 20796, Bedfordshire Rgt.

Award: British War and Victory medals

Grave/Memorial Reference: III. F. 14.

Cemetery/Memorial: CITE BONJEAN MILITARY CEMETERY, ARMENTIERES, FRANCE.

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

Pre War:

His home was at 36, Kings Rd, Hitchin and he left a wife and six children. His address was also shown as 64, Whinbush Rd, Hitchin – probably a later address.

Before joining up he was employed by H.J. Sayer of Nightingale Road, Hitchin as a painter. He volunteered in May 1915.

Wartime Service:

Charles went to the Western Front in January 1916. Initially he had the Regimental Number 20796 in the Bedfordshire Regiment. Later he was given the Corps Number 128911 in the Royal Engineers and posted to the 3rd Special Battalion (Gas Unit). He was involved in engagements on the Somme and was killed by shellfire.

He was buried in Plot 3, Row F, Grave 14 in the Cite Bonjean Military Cemetery in Armentieres in France.

Additional Information:

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