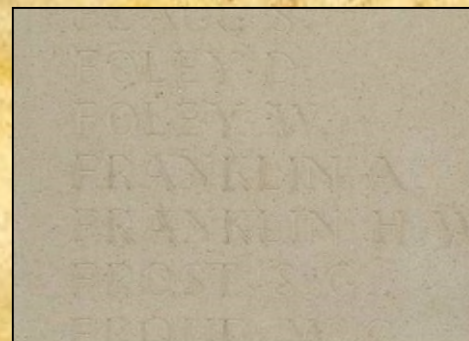


## **Herts at War**

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**Name:** Arthur Franklin  
**Rank:** Private  
**Service Number:** 37780  
**Date of Death:** 22<sup>nd</sup> March 1918  
**Age:** 36  
**Regiment/Service:** 11<sup>th</sup> Battalion Suffolk Regiment



**Award:**  
**Grave/Memorial Reference:** Bay 4  
**Cemetery/Memorial:** Arras Memorial, France.  
**UK Cemetery/Memorial:** Hitchin War Memorial, St Mary's Church  
St Mary's Church Memorial Book, Hitchin (*not confirmed*)

### **Pre War:**

He was born and enlisted in Hitchin and his parents were George and Sarah Franklin of 12, Telegraph Terrace, Hitchin.

### **Wartime Service:**

Arthur was allocated Regimental Number 37780 in the 11th Battalion of the Suffolks, which was in the 101st Brigade of the 34th Division in VI Corps of the 3rd Army. At the beginning of his service he had been in the Middlesex Regiment with the Regimental Number 37999. He was killed in action in France.

His death coincided with the Battle of St. Quentin when his Battalion was in position on Henin Hill near St. Leger and was subjected to violent enemy attacks all day.

He has no known grave, but is remembered on Bay 4 of the Arras Memorial to the Missing in France.

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