

Herts at War

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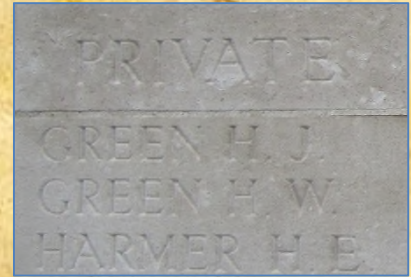
Name: Horace James Green

Rank: Private

Service Number: 265939

Date of Death: 23rd July 1916

Age:



Regiment/Service: Hertfordshire Regiment

Award:

Grave/Memorial Reference: Panel 135

Cemetery/Memorial: Loos Memorial, France

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

Pre War:

His parents were Mr and Mrs A. Green of 62, Radcliffe Road, Hitchin. Another address shown for him was 18 Bancroft, Hitchin. He resided in Hitchin, enlisted in Hertford.

Wartime Service:

Horace was given the Regimental Number 265939. He was a Territorial member of the Hertfordshire Regiment and was serving by November 1914. He was killed in action whilst with No. 4 Company of the 1st Battalion. In the 'Soldiers died' database and by the Commonwealth War Graves Commission he is shown as a Private not as a Serjeant.

The Hertfordshires were not engaged in any major operation at the time of his death having only recently joined the 118th Brigade, 39th Division, III Corps in the 1st Army. The 'Herts Express' dated 2nd September 1916 states that he was attached to the Gloucestershire Regiment and although this does not coincide with the Drill Hall War Memorial in Hitchin it is possible that his death occurred during the attachment.

About the date of his death the Hertfordshires had been involved in several trench raids on the enemy and were positioned in the left sub-section of Festubert. On the 24th July 1916 the Battalion was relieved by the 12th Battalion Royal Sussex Regiment and marched to billets near Gorre having had sixteen days in the trenches. The casualties during this period were 12 killed, 1 missing and 45 wounded including 2 C.S.M.s. On the 26th July they marched back to the Ecole des Jeunes Filles in Bethune.

Additional Information:

Horace was the brother of J.H. Green of the Dragoon Guards who was also killed in action. There were three other brothers in the forces.

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