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Name: HILTON, FREDERICK WILLIAM

Rank: Private

Service Number: 292711

Date of Death: 14/11/1916

Age:

Regiment/Service: Northumberland Fusiliers
1st/7th Bn.

Award: 1914/15 Star, British War and
Victory medals

Grave/Memorial Reference: Pier and Face 10 B 11 B and 12 B.

Cemetery/Memorial: THIEPVAL MEMORIAL, France

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

Pre War:



His home was 26, Old Park Rd, Hitchin. He enlisted in Hertford in March 1915.

Wartime Service:

Initially Frederick joined the Hertfordshire Regiment with the Regimental Number 4763. Later he was posted to the 1/7th Battalion of the Northumberland Fusiliers and received service number 292711. This Battalion was part of the 49th Brigade in the 50th (Northumbrian) Division. He fought in several engagements until he was reported missing and later as having been killed in action in France.

His death coincided with an attack at Gird Lines and Hook Sap in the Somme Sector. The advance appeared to be a success, but fire from Butte Trench made communications impossible and nothing further was heard from the leading Companies.

He has no known grave and is remembered on Piers 10, 11 and 12, Face B of the great Thiepval Memorial to the Missing in France.

Additional Information:

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