

Herts at War

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Name: Arthur Samuel Thrussell
Rank: Private
Service Number: 5732
Date of Death: 16th May 1915
Age:
Regiment/Service: 11th (Prince Albert's Own) Hussars
Attached to 2nd Life Guards



Award:

Grave/Memorial Reference: I. A. 78.

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 born in and resided in Hitchin, although he enlisted in Royston. His home may have been in Pirton Road Cottages, Hitchin.

Wartime Service:

Arthur was given Service Number 5732 in the Prince Albert's Own 11th Hussars and he was mobilised by August 1914 so was probably a regular soldier.

The date of his death coincides with the Battle of Frezenberg in the Ypres Salient when the Cavalry occupied a sector of trenches between Hooze and the Ypres-St. Julien Road in order to relieve the infantry which had been very heavily engaged in the area. The Cavalry came under heavy shelling and suffered a number of casualties.

He is buried in Plot 1, Row A, Grave 78 in the Bailleul Communal Cemetery Extension in France. A number of Casualty Clearing Stations in the vicinity used this cemetery.

Additional Information:

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