

Herts at War

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Name: George Tomlin

Rank: Private

Service Number: 29241

Date of Death: 28th April 1917

Age: 39

Regiment/Service: 13th Battalion Essex Regiment

Award:

Grave/Memorial Reference: Bay 7

Cemetery/Memorial: ARRAS MEMORIAL, FRANCE

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

Pre War:

George was the second son of Mr and Mrs Charles Tomlin of the 'Orange Tree', Sunnyside, Hitchin. He was born in Hitchin, resided and enlisted there. Before joining the army he was a bricklayer with Mr F. Newton the Hitchin builder. He was married and his wife lived at 3, Frythe Cottages, Nightingale Road, Hitchin.

Wartime Service:

He was already mobilised by August 1914 and had been given the Regimental Number 29241 and posted to the 13th Battalion of the Regiment. This Battalion was part of the 6th Brigade of the 2nd Division of XIII Corps in the 1st Army. He went to France in November 1916 and was killed in action. This was during the Battle of Arleux, which was captured by the 1st Canadian Division alongside the 13th Essex. He was shot in the chest by a sniper. The British Red Cross stated that he was in 'B' Company of the Battalion and confirmed that he went missing on the 28th April 1917.

He has no known grave and is remembered on Bay 7 of the Arras Memorial to the Missing in France.

Additional Information:

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