

Charles Street

Saltersford Farm, Twemlow, Nr. Holmes Chapel

Killed in Action 25th July 1918

Home of Charles Street in 1911, Saltersford Farm.



His Story

Charles Street was born in February 1895 to David (a railway porter) and Elizabeth who were living in Back Lane, (now Chester Road), Holmes Chapel in 1901.

In 1911 Charles was living at the home of John Cross at Saltersford Farm, Twemlow, where he was a stockman, aged 16.

His War Record

He enlisted at Macclesfield as a private into the 1/7th Battalion of the Cheshire Regiment at the start of the war in 1914. His number was 290741. The Parish Magazine reported that he was serving abroad in August 1915. In September 1915 he was in hospital in Chichester, brought home from the Dardanelles. He had wounded his hand opening a tin of fish. In February 1918 he was discharged from hospital (not necessarily same incident as the one in September 1915 but there were no intermediate reports.)

In September 1918 he was reported to have been killed in action on July 25th 1918 in France. He was reported to have served in Mesopotamia and Egypt before going to France.

He was buried in Grave I.A.2 Raperie British Cemetery, Villemontoire which is approximately 10 kilometres from Soissons.

Villemontoire is connected entirely with the victorious advance of the 15th (Scottish) and 34th Divisions, under French leadership, in the period from the 23rd July to the 2nd August 1918. The cemetery was made, after the Armistice, by the concentration of graves from the battlefield and from several smaller burial grounds which had been made by the Burial Officers and units of the two Divisions, including the Cheshire Cemetery, Parcy-et-Tigny, which contained the graves of 16 men of the Cheshire and Herefordshire Regiments.