

GREEN, GEORGE EDWIN JOHN

Private Service No: 18558



Regiment: Northamptonshire Regiment: 1st Battalion. First Division

Age: 28

Died of wounds Date of Death: 28/09/1916

1st Battalion in August 1914 was in Aldershot as part of 2nd Brigade, 1st Division. One of the first Divisions to move to France, the 1st Division remained on the Western Front throughout the war. It took part in most of the major actions. He died at the end of the Battle of Morval - 25th - 28th September 1916. George went to France 29th September 1915.



British troops advancing 25th September 1916

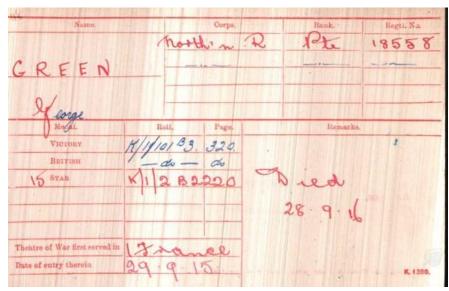


German prisoners carrying the wounded back to British lines 25th September 1916

The War Diary for the 1st Northamptonshire Regiment for the period shows:-

South of High Wood 27th September 1916 - B & C Companies move up to FLERS Line and are placed at disposal of Officer Commanding 2nd Kings Royal Rifles. C Company attacked across the open between O. G. 1 & 2 with a view to taking a further portion of O. G. 1 while the 2/KRR assisted by bombers of our C Company made a bombing attack up O. G. 1 & 2. There was no effective artillery preparation; the German trenches were strongly defended; the attack was unsuccessful. 2nd Lieutenant E. COLE killed, 2nd Lieutenant R. W. GATES wounded, about 30 Other Ranks killed and wounded. (George was presumably one of those wounded dying the next day)





He was born, Thornham, Suffolk and lived at Fingringhoe. He enlisted, Colchester and was the Son of Mrs. Alice Buck, of Fingringhoe, Colchester, Essex. The 1901 Census shows:- George Green aged 12 born in Suffolk Thornham living at Essex Fingringhoe

Casualty Type: Commonwealth War Dead Grave/Memorial Reference: IV. I. 51.

Cemetery: HEILLY STATION CEMETERY, MERICOURT-L'ABBE



The 36th Casualty Clearing Station was at Heilly from April 1916. It was joined in May by the 38th, and in July by the 2/2nd London, but these hospitals had all moved on by early June 1917. The cemetery was begun in May 1916 and was used by the three medical units until April 1917. From March to May 1918, it was used by Australian units, and in the early autumn for further hospital burials when the 20th Casualty Clearing Station was there briefly in August and September 1918. The last burial was made in May 1919. There are now 2,890 Commonwealth servicemen of the First World War buried or commemorated in this cemetery. Only 12 of the burials are unidentified and special memorials are erected to 21 casualties whose graves in the cemetery could not be exactly located. The cemetery also contains 83 German graves. The burials in this cemetery were carried out under extreme pressure and many of the graves are either too close together to be marked individually, or they contain multiple burials. Some headstones carry as many as three sets of casualty details, and in these cases, regimental badges have had to be omitted. Instead, these badges, 117 in all, have been carved on a cloister wall on the north side of the cemetery. The cemetery was designed by Sir Edwin Lutyens. No. of Identified Casualties: 2951

OTHER MEMORIALS Saint Andrew's Fingringhoe & the Methodist Chapel Fingringhoe





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