



Sergeant John James SMALLEY

97835 General Base Depot Royal Engineers

Died 23 November 1918 aged 44

Buried Haifa War Cemetery, Palestine Grave B. 48

Victoria Station War Memorial - Ref. 6B-065

Personal History

John James SMALLEY was born at Chorley, Lancashire in 1874 the son of Joseph and Ellen SMALLEY nee RAFFERTY who were married 1866 at Chorley Register Office or Registrar Attended . His father died in 1881. His mother died in 1881.

In the 1911 census the family were living at 26, Rydal Avenue, Blackpool, Lancashire,. He was aged 37 with the occupation of Railway Engine Driver.

In the 1901 census the family were living at 28, Seymour Road, Blackpool, Lancashire,. He was aged 27 with the occupation of Railway Engine Stoker.

In the 1891 census the family were living at 5, Wellington Street, Chorley, Lancashire,. He was aged 17 with the occupation of Railway Engine Cleaner.

He was a married man. His wife's name was Alice Catherine SMALLEY (nee GREGSON) They married at Old Fylde Register Office or Registrar Attended on 24 October 1894. They had children: Robert b.1895, James b.1897, Thomas b.1900, John b. 1903, William b.1906, Mona Pamels b.1908, Frederick b. 1911

Before enlisting he was employed by the Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Company, Locomotive Dept. at Fleetwood as a Driver

Service History

He was living at Blackpool, Lancashire when he enlisted in the Royal Engineers at the same place. on 3 May 1915 and embarked for France on 19 December 1915. His last known address was Blackpool, Lancashire, Rydal Avenue, 26 (CWGC).

He is recorded as Died on 23 November 1918 in Illness aged 44

He was awarded the Victory Medal, British War Medal & 1914-15 Star

Remarks

Grave Inscription: "HIS DUTY DONE HE SLEEPETH"

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