

Guardsman John Edward WATSON

5104 1st Battalion Scots Guards
Killed in action 26 October 1914 aged 30
Commemorated Ypres (Menin Gate) Memorial, Belgium Panel 11

Victoria Station War Memorial - Ref. 7B-023

Personal History

John Edward WATSON was born at Poulton-le-Fylde, Lancashire in 1884 the son of Edward and Margaret WATSON nee CRAMPTON who were married 22/11/1879 at St. Chad, Poulton-le-Fylde, Lancashire. His father died in 1930. His mother died in 1930.

In the 1911 census the family were living at Hardham with Newton, Blackpool, Lancashire,. He was aged 26 with the occupation of Brewers Labourer.

In the 1891 census the family were living at Back Lane, Mill Cott. He was aged with the occupation of Hardham with Newton, Blackpool, Age 6, Scholar.

He was a married man. His wife's name was Harriet Louisa WATSON (nee CARTER) They married at Christ Church, Southwark on 7 July 1907. They had children: John E. b. 1908 Charles Edgar b. 1909, Margaret Louisa b. 1910, Gladys May b. 1912

Before enlisting he was employed by the Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Company, Chief Goods Managers Dept. at Wyre Dock as a Shunter

Service History

He was living at Poulton-le-Fylde, Lancashire when he enlisted in the Scots Guards at Preston, Lancashire. and embarked for France on 2 September 1914. His last known address was Poulton (le-Fylde, Blackpool, Chapel Street, 10 - CWGC).

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He was awarded the Victory Medal, British War Medal & 14 Star

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