



Private John WHELAN

5883 1st Battalion King's Own Royal Lancaster Regiment

Killed in action 12 December 1914 aged 34

Buried Tancrez Farm Cemetery, Belgium Grave I. F. 18.

Victoria Station War Memorial - Ref. 7B-045

Personal History

John WHELAN was born at Manchester, Lancashire in 1879 the son of John and Sarah Jane WHELAN.

In the 1911 census the family were living at 22, Rowbotham Street, Manchester, Lancashire,. He was aged 31 with the occupation of Railway Platelayer.

In the 1891 census the family were living at 14, Marple Street, Manchester, Lancashire,. He was aged 13 with the occupation of Errand Boy.

He was a married man. His wife's name was Ellen WHELAN (nee AINSWORTH) They married at Prestwich Register Office or Registrar Attended on 21 March 1905. They had children: William b. 1909, Lily b. 1910

Before enlisting he was employed by the Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Company, Chief Civil Engineers Dept. at Oldham Road as a Platelayer

Service History

He enlisted in the King's Own Royal Lancaster Regiment at Manchester, Lancashire. and embarked for (Theatre of war not known) on 24 August 1914. His last known address was Manchester, Lancashire, Rowbotham Street, 22 (1911 Census).

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

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