



***Corporal James COWSILL***

*66664 19th Battalion Machine Gun Corps*

*Killed in action 26 March 1918 aged 31*

*Buried Bancourt British Cemetery, France Grave I. H. 16*

*Victoria Station War Memorial - Ref. 2B-053*

***Personal History***

*James COWSILL was born at Trinity, Salford, Lancashire in 1887 the son of Peter and Francis COWSILL nee BURBRIDGE who were married 02/12/1866 at Manchester Cathedral. His father died in 1920. His mother died in 1920.*

*In the 1911 census the family were living at 83, St. Stephens Street, Salford, Lancashire,. He was aged 24 with the occupation of Railway Porter.*

*In the 1901 census the family were living at 58, St. Stephens Street, Salford, Lancashire,. He was aged 14 with the occupation of Railway Carters Boy.*

*In the 1891 census the family were living at 1, Norton Street, Salford,. He was aged 4*

*He was a married man. His wife's name was Mary Emma COWSILL (nee GRESSWELL) They married at St. Stephens, Salford on 2 September 1911. They had children: James b. 1912, John F. b. 1917*

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

***Service History***

*He was living at Salford, Lancashire when he enlisted in the Machine Gun Corps at Manchester, Lancashire. and embarked for (Theatre of war not known) on 17 July 1915. His last known address was Salford, Richmond Hill, 6 (CWGC).*

*He is recorded as Killed in action on 26 March 1918 aged 31*

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

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