

Private George Edward Wilcock MERCER

8237 2nd Battalion Seaforth Highlanders
Died of Wounds 25 April 1915 aged 31
Buried Seaforth Cemetery, Cheddar Villa, Belgium Grave Special Memorial C5

Victoria Station War Memorial - Ref. 5A-058

Personal History

George Edward Wilcock MERCER was born at Blackburn, Lancashire on 18 June 1883 the son of Thomas and Jane MERCER nee DUCKWORTH who were married 26/06/1880 at St. Michael All Saints, Blackburn, Lancashire. His father died in 1888. His mother died in 1888.

In the 1911 census the family were living at 67. Havelock Street, Blackburn, Lancashire,. He was aged 28 with the occupation of Railway Carter.

In the 1901 census the family were living at 53, Redlam Street, Blackburn, Lancashire,. He was aged 18 with the occupation of Cotton Weaver.

In the 1891 census the family were living at 19, Griffin Street. Blackburn, Lancashire,. He was aged 8 He was a married man. His wife's name was Jane Alice MERCER (nee GIBSON) They married at St. Luke, Blackburn, Lancashire on 5 September 1912. They had children: Harold b. 02/10/1913

Before enlisting he was employed by the Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Company, Chief Goods Managers Dept. at Bolton Road Goods Station as a Carter

Service History

He enlisted in the Seaforth Highlanders at Called Up With Reserve. on 1 August 1914 and embarked for (Theatre of war not known) on 15 September 1914. His last known address was Blackburn, Havelock Street, 67 (1911 Census).

He is recorded as Died of Wounds on 25 April 1915 in Near St. Julian, NE Ypres In Action aged 31 He was awarded the Victory Medal, British War Medal, 14 Star and Clasp

Remarks

Grave Inscription: "THEIR GLORY SHALL NOT BE BLOTTED OUT"

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