

JONES Walter ✓



Private Walter Jones – W/1212
Cheshire regiment 13th Btn

He enlisted in Codford Wiltshire and was killed in action on 30th May 1916 aged 26. In May 1916 the 13th Btn was in the Zouave Valley, Vimy, where it saw action on 29 May when 4 were killed and 37 wounded. Walter presumably died of wounds on 30 May. Enemy artillery was very active in the evening. Three platoons under Lt. Somerset advanced along a trench to the edge of an enemy crater and barricaded the entrance, mounting a Lewis gun on the rim, which then fired into the German lines in the crater. This position was held for 1 hour & 40 minutes before retirement. He is buried at Ecoivres Military Cemetery, Mont-St. Eloi.

His father was a bootmaker, born in Willaston, while his mother, Elizabeth had been born in Liverpool. The 1911 census notes that Walter is single and a coachman. He was boarding with the Ashton family in Burton.

Other information

1901 census:

William, bootmaker, age 53, born Willaston
Elizabeth, age 45, born Liverpool
Elizabeth, daughter, age 15, born Willaston
William, son, age 13, born Willaston
Walter, son, age 11, born Willaston
Mary Ellen, daughter, age 9, born Willaston
Agnes, daughter, age 6, born Willaston
Ernest, son, age 4, born Willaston
Emily, daughter, age 22, born Willaston,
general servant, domestic

Electoral Roll 1914:

Walter Jones' father, William,
lived at Atworth Terrace

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Pretty Childer Thornton Wedding.

JONES—BRADLEY.

A pretty country wedding took place at Hooton Parish Church on Monday, June 7th, between Miss Sarah Bradley, elder daughter of Mrs. Bradley, of "White House," Childer Thornton, and Private Walter Jones, of the 13th Cheshires, third son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Jones, of Willaston, Cheshire. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. A. E. Cooper, vicar of the parish. The bride looked very charming wearing a dainty gown of pale grey silk poplin, her hat being of a corresponding shade. She carried a lovely bouquet of white carnations. Miss Mabel Bradley (sister of the bride) was the only bridesmaid. She was attired in a light summer costume, her hat being pale pink, and she carried a bouquet of pale pink flowers. The bridegroom was attended by Mr. Albert Jones, who undertook the duties of best man.

Following the ceremony a reception was held at the residence of the bride, when the guests had an opportunity of viewing the numerous presents.