

Walter Hancock

Walter was the son of Thomas and Martha Hancock who lived at 5 Auriga Street Market Harborough in the 1911 census. Walter had two brothers William and John.

Walter is one of the older men on the memorial as he was born in 1886

In 1901 Walter is listed as a Corset Stay Hand and in 1911 as railway shunter.

Place enlisted Derby

Initial service no. 88493

Initial regiment Notts & Derby (Sherwood Forest

Initial unit 5th Btn

Transferred to regiment

and battalion 11th Btn

Changed service number 204618

Date entered France 26/10/1917

Date of death 05/10/1918

Cause of death Killed in action

Died at age 32

Grave ref. I. E. 2 Cemetery Prospect

Hill, Gouy

Sometimes the search for records can be difficult, our memorial shows T Walter Hancock, but the census and War Commission both have Walter H The reference to his parents suggests there is a mistake on our memorial as this is the correct Walter

Private HANCOCK,

WALTER HENRY

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Died 05/10/1918

Aged 32

11th Bn.

Sherwood Foresters (Notts and

Derby Regiment)

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Son of Thomas and Martha Hancock, of Market Harborough, Leics.



Military Medal - London Gazette 19/8/1918. Bronze Medal for Mil Valour - LG 29/11/1918