

## **Horace William Palmer**

Born 1897

Died age 22

Address 2 Kings Road

**Market Harborough** 

Eldest son of William and

Mary.

A younger brother Percy also died in WW1

## **Military history**

**Enlisted in Market Harborough** 

Leicestershire 5th Battalion

Transferred to Royal Army Ser-

vice

Final rank Farrier Staff Sargeant

Died 12/01/1918

Killed in action aged 22

Buried E8 Sailly-labourse communal cemetery France



It is with great regret we record that Farrier Staff Sergeant Palmer ASC eldest son of Mr & Mrs W E Palmer of Rothwell and formerly of Market Harborough where Mr palmer was in business as a blacksmith and subsequently kept the Talbot Hotel was killed on active service on January 12th. It is only a comparatively short ago that Mr & Mrs second son second Lieut Percy R palmer, Leicestershire Rgt (attached RFC) who was awarded the Military Cross was killed in action. Staff sergeant palmer who was only 21 years of age was in the ASC when war broke out and was called up then and has seen a great deal of active service. He was an old Grammar School Boy, and his many friends will hear of his death with genuine sorrow, extend at the same time sincere sympathy to the bereaved in the heavy trial they have been again called on to bear. The news of the deceased's death was received in the following letter from Cpt R Tomlinson of Market Harborough 'Dear Mr & Mrs Palmer I have a most sad duty to perform in advising you of the death yesterday of your son Farrier Staff Sergt palmer. He was killed by a shell and six others including the Corporal and Driver Farriers were wounded. His death is a great loss to the Company, he was deservedly popular with all. I have known him many years and shall miss him greatly. He was buried today in a military cemetery within a few yards of my brother. Please accept all my sympathy in your great trouble'