

Percy Rogers Palmer

Born 1898 Died aged 19 Address 2 Kings Road Market Harborough

Second of the 5 children of William & Mary Palmer. His brother Horace was also killed in action

Military history

Enlisted in the Royal Fusiliers Transferred to Leics. Att RFC 55 Sqn 11th Battalion Final rank 2nd Lieutenant Military Medal Date of death 25/05/1917 aged 19 Cause of death Killed in action Commemoration Vis-en-Artois British Cemetery, Haucourt, France



Formerly of King's Rd he went to the Grammar School and was apprenticed to Mr Percy Stiles, chemist. He enlisted April 1915 when 17. on his 18th birthday he crossed to France with the Boys School Brigade of the Royal Fusiliers. Conducting himself remarkably well as a Pte he was recommended for a commission. After 3 months training at Oxford OTC he was Commissioned in the Leicester's. he returned to France in Nov 1916 and is believed to be an Observer in the RFC, His brother Farrier St Sgt Horace Palmer is also in France. London Gazette 17/4/1917 MM Temp 2nd Lt Percy Palmer attached Leicester Rgt 'for conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He displayed great courage and determination in firing a torpedo under most difficult conditions. later he rescued two wounded men. 2nd Lt Palmer son of Mr and Mrs W E Palmer lived many years in Market Harborough now at the Woolpack, Rothwell.