



## **Albert Hooper**

### **1893 - 1917**

Albert was born in Dewsbury in 1893. His father was Frederick/Fred Hooper, a Greengrocer and later a Domestic Coachman born in St. Austell, Cornwall in 1870 and died in 1947. His mother was Ada Mary (nee Baxter) born in Saltaire near Shipley in 1871 and died in 1922. They were married in St. Peter's Church, Birstall on 25<sup>th</sup> September 1890.

Their other children were; James Richard, born in 1892 and served in World War 1, Ann, born in 1895, Hilda, born in 1897, Melissa born in 1899, Alice, born in 1901 and died in 1902, William Harris, born in 1903, Hudson, born in 1907, Ernest, born in 1908 and died in 1908. Jack, born in 1911 and Marian, born in 1915.

In 1891 they lived with Ada's family, in 1901 at Knowle, Mirfield, in 1911 at 10, Belmont Terrace, Bradford Road, Dewsbury and later at 8, Robinson Street, Dewsbury.

Albert was a single man who was educated at Dewsbury Parish Church School and worked as a horse driver for a potato merchant.

He enlisted in the 20<sup>th</sup> Hussars serving as Private 9521 then was transferred into the 15<sup>th</sup> Battalion Royal Warwickshire Regiment serving as Private 34140 and was sent to the Western Front on 7<sup>th</sup> October 1914. He was killed in action on 26<sup>th</sup> October 1917 during the Battle of Passchendaele, his remains were never identified for burial and so he is commemorated on the Tyne Cot Memorial, West-Vlaanderen, Belgium. Albert was awarded the 1914 Star, the British War Medal and the Victory Medal.

The Tyne Cot Memorial forms the north-eastern boundary of Tyne Cot Cemetery and commemorates nearly 35,000 servicemen from the United Kingdom and New Zealand who died in the Ypres Salient after 16 August 1917 and whose graves are not known. The memorial stands close to the farthest point in Belgium reached by Commonwealth forces in the First World War until the final advance to victory.

Albert is also commemorated on the Dewsbury Cenotaph in Crow Nest Park and in the Dewsbury Roll of Honour kept in Dewsbury Central Library and on the Dewsbury Parish Church School Memorial Plaque.

In Memory of

Private

**Albert Hooper**

34140, 15th Bn., Royal Warwickshire Regiment who died on 26 October 1917

Remembered with Honour

**Tyne Cot Memorial**



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the Commonwealth War Graves Commission

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