



## **George Woodhouse**

### **1895-1918**

George was born in Batley Carr in 1895. His father was Walter Greaves Woodhouse, an under overlocker in the textile industry born in Dewsbury in 1867 and died in 1921. His mother was Ada Ann (nee Porter) born in Earlsheaton in 1817 and died in 1949. They were married in 1895.

Their other children were; Annie Fletcher, born in 1898 and died in 1898, Leonard, born in 1899, Walter, born in 1901 and Mary Ann, born in 1906.

In 1901 the family lived at Lidgate Lane, Batley Carr, Dewsbury, in 1911 at 65, Armitage Buildings, Batley Carr and later at Short Street off Carlisle Street, Batley Carr, Dewsbury.

George was a single man who in 1911 worked as a Piecer.

He enlisted in Dewsbury before the outbreak of war in the Territorial Force with the Service Number 1520 and was later transferred to the 5<sup>th</sup> Battalion King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry serving as Private 200074; being sent to the Western Front on 13<sup>th</sup> April 1915. He was killed in action in France on 2<sup>nd</sup> September 1918, his remains were never identified for burial and so he is commemorated on the Vis-en-Artois Memorial, Haucourt, Pas-de-Calais, France. George was awarded the 1914-15 Star, the British War Medal and the Victory Medal.

Vis-en-Artois and Haucourt are villages on the straight main road from Arras to Cambrai. The Memorial is the back drop to the Vis-en-Artois British Cemetery, which is west of Haucourt on the north side of the main road. It bears the names of over 9,000 men of the forces of Great Britain and Ireland and South Africa; who fell in the period from 8<sup>th</sup> August 1918 to the date of the Armistice in the Advance to Victory in Picardy and Artois, between the Somme and Loos, and who have no known grave. Canadian, Australian and New Zealand forces being commemorated on other memorials to the missing.

George is also commemorated on the Dewsbury Cenotaph in Crow Nest Park and in the Dewsbury Roll of Honour kept in Dewsbury Central Library.

In Memory of

Private

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200074, 5th Bn., King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry who died on 02 September 1918 Age 23

Son of Ada Ann Woodhouse, of Short St., Carlisle St., Batley Carr, Dewsbury, Yorks, and the late W. G. Woodhouse.

Remembered with Honour

Vis-En-Artois Memorial



Commemorated in perpetuity by  
the Commonwealth War Graves Commission

