



## **Anthony Wear 1894 – 1915**

Anthony was born in Workington, Cumberland in 1894. His father was also Anthony Wear, a Steelworker born in Workington in 1852 and died in 1937. His mother was Martha (nee Clark) born in Seaton, Cumberland in 1853 and died in 1933. They were married in Workington on 17<sup>th</sup> March 1873.

Their other children were; Joseph, born in 1873 and was killed in action 1<sup>st</sup> July 1916, John William, born in 1875, Albert, born in 1877, Ada Jane, born in 1880, Mary Holliday, born in 1882, George, born in 1886 and served in World War 1, Elizabeth Ann, born in 1888, Annie, born in 1890, Walter, born in 1892 and Daniel Clark, born in 1896.

On the 1881 Census the family lived at at 23, New Yard, Workington, in 1901 at 27, Senhouse Street, Workington. They have not been found on the 1911 Census but later moved to the Dewsbury area and lived at 6, Thornton Road, Thornhill Lees.

Anthony was a single man who worked at Thornhill Forge.

He enlisted at Glencorse, Midlothian, Scotland serving in “C” Company, 9<sup>th</sup> Battalion, Black Watch (Royal Highlanders) with the Service Number S/4209 rising to the rank of Lance Corporal and was sent to the Western Front in July 1915. He was killed in action on 25<sup>th</sup> September 1915, the First Day of the Battle of Loos. His remains were never identified for burial and so he is commemorated on the Loos Memorial, Pas-de-Calais, France. Anthony was awarded the 1914-15 Star, the British War Medal and the Victory Medal.

According to a report in the local paper, Anthony wrote his last letter to his parents on the day of his death, saying “*You may look for some good news.*” This presumably referred to offensive in which he was killed. A friend of Anthony’s wrote to his parents from hospital in Essex, saying that did not see Anthony again after the charge.

The Loos Memorial forms the sides and back of Dud Corner Cemetery. Loos-en-Gohelle is a village north-west of Lens, and Dud Corner Cemetery is located 1 kilometre west of the village. The Loos Memorial commemorates 20,599 officers and men who have no known grave, who fell in the area from the River Lys to the old southern boundary of the First Army, east and west of Grenay, from the first day of the Battle of Loos to the end of the war.

Anthony 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 War Memorial in Holy Innocents Church, Thornhill Lees.

In Memory of  
Lance Corporal

## Anthony Wear

S/4209, "C" Coy. 9th Bn., Black Watch (Royal Highlanders) who died on 25 September 1915 Age 21

Son of Anthony and Martha Wear, of 6, Thornton Rd., Thornhill Lees, Dewsbury, Yorks.

Remembered with Honour  
Loos Memorial



Commemorated in perpetuity by  
the Commonwealth War Graves Commission

