

Thomas was born in Thornhill Lees in 1898. His father was Adamson Scott, a Glass Bottle Blower born in Sunderland in 1865 and died in 1941. His mother was Mary Agnes (nee Kelly) born in Dewsbury in 1872 and died in 1944. They were married in Holy Innocents Church, Thornhill Lees on 23^{rd} August 1890.

Their other children were; Margaret Ann, born in 1891, Minnie, born in 1893, Frank, born in 1895 and was killed in action on 16th April 1918, Alice, born in 1900, Kate, born in 1903, John, born in 1907 and died in 1908, Arthur, born in 1909, Walter, born in 1911 and Adamson, born in 1915 and died in 1916.

In 1901 the family lived at Kilner's Cottages, Brewery Lane, Thornhill Lees and in 1911 at 34, Providence Street, Thornhill Lees.

Thomas was a single man who in 1911 worked as an apprentice to a Blanket Piecer.

He served as Private 205238 in the 1st/5th Battalion West Yorkshire Regiment (Prince of Wales's Own) and was killed in action in France on 1st November 1918; his remains were never identified for burial and so he is commemorated on the Vis-en-Artois Memorial, Haucourt, Pas-de-Calais, France. Thomas was awarded 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 8th 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.

Thomas is also commemorated on the Dewsbury War Memorial 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

Private

Thomas Scott

205238, 1st/5th Bn., West Yorkshire Regiment (Prince of Wales's Own) who died on 01 November 1918

Remembered with Honour Vis-En-Artois Memorial





Commemorated in perpetuity by the Commonwealth War Graves Commission

