



John Hoggarth

1881-1914

John was born in Kendal, Westmorland in 1881. His father was Joseph Hoggarth, a Quarry Labourer born in Kendal in 1852 and died in 1907. His mother was Ellen (nee Knowles) born in 1848 and died in 1882. They were married in 1874.

Their other children were; James, born in 1875, Susanna, born in 1876, Joseph, born in 1878 and died in 1878 and Ellen, born in 1879 and died in 1880.

Joseph was remarried on 5th March 1887 to Elizabeth Hine (born in 1854 and died in 1896) their children were; Alice, born in 1887, William, born in 1889 and died in 1889, Albert, born in 1891 and Mary Eleanor, born in 1893. On the 1891 Census the family lived at 8, White Hall Yard, Kendal. Elizabeth previously had a son, Edward Hine, born in 1878.

Joseph married a third time in 1899 to Mary Eleanor Tatham (born in 1866 and died in 1912) their children were; Norah Belmont, born in 1900 and Sidney, born in 1902. On the 1901 and 1911 Census Records the family lived at Yard 6, 63, Stricklandgate, Kendal.

The 1901 Census shows John living as a boarder with the family of Walter Ruston at 5, Jill Lane, Mirfield; his occupation was given as a Carpenter's Apprentice. In 1911 he living as a boarder with Mrs. Smith 17, Eastwood Yard, Flatts, Dewsbury; his occupation was given as a General Labourer.

In November 1903 he enlisted into the Duke of Wellington's (West Riding Regiment) with the Service Number 7655. He saw service in India and was discharged in January 1907. From his army record it appears that John was not a model soldier; there are frequent entries of lateness, being improperly dressed, drunkenness, fighting, disobeying orders and causing a disturbance in the town of Halifax. He was recalled at the outbreak of war serving as Private 7655 in the 2nd Battalion Duke of Wellington's (West Riding Regiment) and was sent to the Western Front on 8th September 1914. He was killed in action on 26th October 1914 during the Battle of La Bassée. His remains were never identified for burial and so he is commemorated on the Le Touret Memorial, Nord, France. John was awarded the 1914 Star with Clasp, the British War Medal and the Victory Medal.

The Le Touret Memorial is located at the east end of Le Touret Military Cemetery, on the south side of the main road from Bethune to Armentieres. The Memorial commemorates over 13,400 British soldiers who were killed in this sector of the Western Front from the beginning of October 1914 to the eve of the Battle of Loos in late September 1915 and who have no known grave.

John is also commemorated on the Dewsbury Cenotaph in Crow Nest Park and as J. Hoggarth in the Dewsbury Roll of Honour kept in Dewsbury Central Library and as *Jno Hoggarth* on the Kendal War Memorial.

In Memory of

Private

John Hoggarth

7655, 2nd Bn., Duke of Wellington's (West Riding Regiment) who died on 26 October 1914 Age 34

Son of Joseph and Elizabeth Hoggarth, of Stricklandgate, Kendal, Westmorland.

Remembered with Honour

Le Touret Memorial



Commemorated in perpetuity by
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HOGGARTH J.