

Surname	Bascombe
Forename(s)	Herbert Langford
Initials	H L
Age	28
Honours/Awards	
Date died	26/10/1918
Rank	Sapper
Regiment	Royal Engineers
Unit/Squadron	486th Field Coy.
Service Number	522449
Cemetery/Memorial	Alexandria (Hadra) War Memorial Cemetery
Grave Reference	A.217
Further Information	Eldest son of Herbert and Annie Bascombe, of 36, Serpentine Rd., Wallasey, Cheshire; Husband of G. V. Bascombe, of 1, Westfield St., Westfields, Hereford. Enlisted Sept., 1914.
<p>Chronicle News</p> <p><u>Corporation Official's Loss</u></p> <p>After having served in all the engagements on the Palestine front, Sapper Herbert Langford Bascombe, Royal Engineers, died of pneumonia and dysentery in the 19th General Hospital, Egypt, on the 26th October, the news reaching his wife in Hereford on the day on which the armistice with Turkey was announced. Sapper Bascombe was the eldest son of Mr and Mrs Bascombe, of 7, Clifton Grove, Liscard. At the outbreak of war he enlisted in the A.S.C. Motor Transport, and when his company was disbanded joined the Royal Engineers, with whom he served in Palestine and Egypt for two and a half years. Writing home just before the last big push in Palestine, he said that he was anxious to take part, as he had been in all the other big engagements, and it was known that this push could be the last. Sapper Bascombe was an Wallasey Grammar School boy, and served his time in the Gas Department of the Wallasey Corporation. He was also employed in the gas departments of Bordon, Aldershot and Hereford. When in Wallasey he attended the Egremont Baptist Church. He leaves a widow and four children. His father is the Chief Sanitary Inspector and Cleansing Superintendent under the Corporation.</p>	

References and Acknowledgments

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