

Surname	Dilworth
Forename	John
Initials	J
Age	21
Honours/Awards	
Date died	03/07/1916
Rank	Private
Regiment	The King's (Liverpool Regiment)
Unit/Squadron	20th Bn.
Service Number	23931
Cemetery/Memorial	Thiepval Memorial
Grave Reference	Pier and Face 1 D 8 B and 8 C.
Further Information	Son of Mrs. Mary Butler, of 43, Geneva Rd., Seacombe, Cheshire.



#### Chronicle News

##### Deadly German Shell

A Seacombe private of the 4<sup>th</sup> Liverpool "Pals," John Dilworth, of 43, Geneva Road, was killed in action on 3<sup>rd</sup> July. The regrettable intelligence was conveyed to his home in a letter from a soldier cousin, which ran as follows:-

"It is with feelings of deep regret that I have to tell you that poor Johnny has been killed in action. He was killed last Monday night, along with two of his chums, by a shell that burst in the trench, but I am pleased to say that the poor lad suffered no pain, for death was instantaneous. He was buried in a grave close to the line."

The missive was dated July 6<sup>th</sup>, and the two chums referred to are Birkenhead men.

Deceased, who was formerly in the employ of Messrs. Ranks, millers, as a screensman, enlisted shortly after the war started, and the circumstances of his

death are rendered the more tragic in view of the fact that he was home on leave only a few weeks ago. He attended the Oakdale Presbyterian Mission.

#### References and Acknowledgments

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