

Surname	Fowlds
Forename	William
Initials	W
Age	23
Honours/Awards	
Date died	28/01/1917
Rank	Gunner
Regiment	Royal Field Artillery
Unit/Squadron	25th Bty. 35th Bde.
Service Number	231615
Cemetery/Memorial	Auchonvillers Military Cemetery
Grave Reference	II. J. 20.
Further Information	Son of Richard and Margaret Fowlds, of 7, Parry St., Seacombe, Cheshire.



News Report

Killed By A Shell

News has been received by Mr. and Mrs. Fowlds, of 7, Parry Street, Seacombe, of the death of their son, Gunner William Fowlds, R.F.A., who was killed in action in France on January 28. A letter from the officer in command states that Gunner Fowlds and a number of his comrades were preparing a gun for action when a shell burst amongst the, killing two men and seriously wounding several others. Gunner Fowlds was injured so severely that he only lived a few minutes. The letter also speaks highly of his qualities as a soldier and the regard in which he was held by his comrades. Gunner Fowlds joined in April, 1916, and after three months training on Salisbury Plain was sent to France. He was 23 years of age, and had worked for several years at St. Paul's Flour Mills, Seacombe. He was interested in football, and played occasionally for Poulton Rovers.

References and Acknowledgments

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