

Surname	Jones
Forename	Harold
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Age	25
Honours/Awards	
Date died	24/08/1916
Rank	Private
Regiment	Cheshire Regiment
Unit/Squadron	10 th Bn.
Service Number	35386
Cemetery/Memorial	Blighty Valley Cemetery, Authuille Wood
Grave Reference	I.B.28.
Further Information	Son of Frank and M. E. Jones, of 18, Sunningdale Rd., New Brighton, Cheshire. Native of Liverpool.



News Report

Killed At A Listening Post

Official news has been received of the death of Private Harold Jones, of the Cheshire Regiment, who was killed at a listening post by a shell, on August 24th. He was 25 years of age, was educated at the Liverpool College and the University College, Southport. He was a surgeon dentist by profession, and leaves a widow – Mrs Minnie Jones. He was the only son of Mr and Mrs Frank Jones, of Hillfield, Sunningdale Road, New Brighton.

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Chronicle News

New Brighton Soldiers Death

We regret to announce the death of Private Harold Jones (25), of the Cheshire

Regiment, who fell in action on August 24th. Deceased was the only son of Mr and Mrs Frank Jones, late of Liverpool and Southport, and previous to enlistment he resided at 8, Sunningdale Road, New Brighton.

The circumstances of his demise are rendered especially tragic in view of the fact that he was married so recently as March last. On the eve of a promising career, Private Jones had been educated at the Liverpool College, Shaw Street, and the University College, Southport, and had endeared himself to a large circle of friends, by whom his death will be deeply deplored. A member of the New Brighton Wesleyan Church, Rowson Street, he was connected with the dental profession, and was an ardent motor-cyclist.

Comrade's Letter

The sad intelligence was conveyed to Mr Frank Jones, father of the deceased, who is a retired chemist, in a letter from a comrade, though official confirmation was forthcoming on the same day. Dated August 27th, the comrade's epistle reads as follows:-

"I am writing a few lines to let you know that Harold and I have been pals ever since we landed in France, about six weeks ago... On Tuesday morning we went in the trenches, and we were the first pair to be on the look-out post. It was eight o'clock in the evening, and it was our turn on together. Harold then told me he would have a word with the two men we were going to relieve, and asked me to wait for him. He said he would shout when ready. I waited a long time, but he never came, so I went out to look for him, and I found him on the 'fie-step' dead... I don't think he suffered anything; he would be killed instantaneously."

Much sympathy is extended to the young widow and the parents in their sad bereavement.

References and Acknowledgments

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