

Surname	Lester
Forename	Harry
Initials	H
Age	19
Honours/Awards	
Date died	09/10/1917
Rank	Private
Regiment	Manchester Regiment
Unit/Squadron	2 <sup>nd</sup> /9 <sup>th</sup> Bn.
Service Number	352553
Cemetery/Memorial	Tyne Cot Memorial
Grave Reference	Panel 120 to 124 and 162 to 162A and 163A.
Further Information	Son of Mrs. Hannah Lester, of 18, Ennerdale Rd., Wallasey, Liverpool.



Chronicle News

Wallasey's Fallen Heroes

The sad intelligence has been received that Private Harry Lester, of the Manchester Regiment, was killed in action on October 9<sup>th</sup>. Although only nineteen years of age, he was particularly well known in Wallasey Village, where he had lived with his grandmother at 24 Radstock Road. He was educated at St. George's School,, and prior to the war was employed on the Wallasey Golf Links. He joined the colours in February, 1916, and went out to France the first week in March this year. He was a capital all-round athlete, and his abilities in that respect were turned to good account in the performance of his duties at the front, as will be gathered from the subjoined letter from the commanding officer:-

"I am very sorry indeed to have to tell you that your son, No. 352553, Private Lester was killed in action on October 9<sup>th</sup>. I am sorry that I can not give you any further details, as any evidence has been very difficult to obtain. He was a company runner, and all the time we have been out he carried out his often difficult duties splendidly. I always considered him one of the best runners in the battalion. I hope that it may be a little consolation to you to know that he was

killed doing his duty under very difficult and trying conditions. His comrades in the company ask me to express their sympathy in your loss.”

#### References and Acknowledgments

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