


Surname	McGuire
Forename	Henry
Initials	H
Age	24
Honours/Awards	
Date died	14/10/1917
Rank	Pioneer
Regiment	Royal Engineers
Unit/Squadron	3 <sup>rd</sup> Special Coy.
Service Number	206620
Cemetery/Memorial	Guemappe British Cemetery, Wancourt
Grave Reference	I.A.21.
Further Information	Second son of Henry McGuire, and his wife Eliza Holden, of 89 Martin's Lane, Wallasey. He was a self-employed plumber and decorator before the war. Previously served at Gallipoli in the 4th Bn. Cheshire Regiment. Killed by enemy shell-fire in France.
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#### News Report

##### Killed By Shell Fire

Mr. and Mrs. H. McGuire, of 89, Martin's Lane, Liscard, have received the sad information that their second son, Pioneer Henry McGuire, of the Royal Engineers, has been killed by enemy shell-fire during the recent advance in France, death being instantaneous. The young soldier, who was 23 years of age, joined the 4<sup>th</sup> Cheshires, and was in the Sulva Bay landing. He was invalided to England with dysentery, and on recovering, although time-expired, he re-joined the Royal Engineers, and had been 12 months in France. He was previously in business on his own account in Wallasey as plumber and decorator.

Mr. and Mrs. McGuire have a fine family record, having four sons serving, whilst their daughter is in charge of the Military Convalescent Home, Shrewsbury Road,

Birkenhead. Their eldest son, Co.-Sergt.-Major C.S.M. McGuire, was the first territorial in England to win the D.S.M. and bar.

Mr. McGuire, senr., is a member of the 11<sup>th</sup> (Wallasey) Battalion, Cheshire Volunteer Regt. Mrs. McGuire has received the following letter from the officer in command of her son's section:- "I regret to inform you that your son, Pioneer H. McGuire, was killed in action last night. We were heavily shelled by the enemy when one landed in the trench just by where he was standing and his death was instantaneous. Everything possible was done for him, but from the very first there were no signs of life in him at all. Commonly known as Mac, he was exceedingly popular in the section and a fine soldier. He will be sadly missed by us all, as everybody was a chum of his. In knowing that he died doing his very best for the country I hope it will be some comfort to you in your sad loss."

#### References and Acknowledgments

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