

Surname	Parsche
Forename	William
Initials	W
Age	20
Honours/Awards	
Date died	07/10/1916
Rank	Private
Regiment	Cheshire Regiment
Unit/Squadron	13 th Bn.
Service Number	33214
Cemetery/Memorial	Thiepval Memorial
Grave Reference	Pier and Face 3 C and 4 A
Further Information	Resided at 10, Palatine Road, Seacombe.



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Chronicle News

Killed In Action

Seacombe Soldier Falls

Much sympathy is extended to Miss Parsche, of 10, Palatine Road, Seacombe, who has sustained a severe blow in the death of her brother, Private William Parsche (20), of the Cheshire Regiment, who was killed in action on October 7th. Enlisting in June last, the deceased was previously in the employ of Messrs. J. Bibby and Sons, of Liverpool oilcake manufacturers, and had only been out at the front ten weeks.

The chaplain wrote:-

"I expect you have received the news of your brother's death. He was killed in action on October 7th. May I offer you my heartfelt sympathy with you that God strengthen you with the power of His Holy Spirit in your hour of sorrow. These brave heroes of ours are fulfilling the great precept of our Lord. 'Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.' Yours in

deepest sympathy.”

The following missive was received from sergeant-major:-

“It is with extreme regret that I have to inform you of the death of your brother Pte. Parsche, who was killed in action on the night of Oct. 7th. Mere words are useless at a time such as this, but no doubt it will be a great consolation to you to know that he died bravely doing his duty. He did not suffer, death came instantly, but we who knew him mourn the loss of a gallant comrade.”

Private W.H. Young writes:-

“It is with much regret that I write these few lines to you. By now you should know the fate of your brother Will from other sources, but I, as one of his chums, feel that I should send a few words of sympathy to you. Will was killed instantly by a shell and suffered no pain whatever. He died doing his duty as bravely as any soldier could possibly be. He was most cheerful even at the worst of times, and I shall miss him sorely, but not the same as you will miss him. If you should want further information I would only too pleased to give you all the assistance I possibly can, I must conclude, trusting you will bear your trouble bravely, and accept my deepest sympathy.”

References and Acknowledgments

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