

Surname	Smith
Forename(s)	William Edward
Initials	W E
Age	24
Honours/Awards	
Date died	07/07/1916
Rank	Private
Regiment	Cheshire Regiment
Unit/Squadron	13 th Bn.
Service Number	669
Cemetery/Memorial	Ovillers Military Cemetery
Grave Reference	X.R.5.
Further Information	Resided at 50 Brighton Street, Seacombe. Joined the army at the outbreak of war. Was a member of the Wallasey Hop Assistants' Football Club.



News Report

Missing

Private W.E. Smith, of the Cheshire Regiment, of 50, Brighton Street, Seacombe, the eldest son of Mrs. Smith, has been officially announced as missing. He took part in the action on July 7th and has not since been traced. He was 24 years of age and joined the Army on the outbreak of war. He was a member of the Wallasey Shop Assistants' Football Club.

The deceased was a member of the Regimental Football Club at Gibraltar, where he was stationed prior to being drafted to France.

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Seacombe Footballer Killed

Official news has been received that Private William Edward Smith, of the Cheshire Regiment, the eldest son of Mr and Mrs William Smith, of 50, Brighton Street, Seacombe, was killed in action on July 7th. He joined the Colours for garrison duty, but offered for active service, and had only been in France two months. He was educated at the Rock Schools, Magazine Lane, and was employed, with the late Mr Kopetsky, Brighton Street, Seacombe. He was a keen footballer and played for the regimental team at Gibraltar before going to France.

References and Acknowledgments

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