

Surname	Walker
Forename(s)	Raymond William
Initials	R W
Age	24
Honours/Awards	
Date died	13/03/1916
Rank	Rifleman
Regiment	The King's (Liverpool Regiment)
Unit/Squadron	6 th Bn.
Service Number	2214
Cemetery/Memorial	Le Fermont Military Cemetery, Riviere
Grave Reference	I.A.5.
Further Information	Son of Dundas Ramsay Walker and Marie Elizabeth Walker, of Wallasey, Cheshire. Enlisted In 1914. Previously wounded at Hill 60.



Chronicle News

New Brighton Cricketer Killed

A playing member of the New Brighton Cricket Club has been killed at the front in the person of Rifleman Raymond William Walker, of the 6th King's Liverpool Regiment, whose death will be deeply mourned locally. His home was at 5, Mayfield Road, Wallasey, and he lost his life while out with a wiring party.

As a member of the New Brighton C.C., he was well-known, though he did not occupy so prominent a position as his two brothers, Ramsey and Gerald, the former of whom is an ex-captain of the team.

The deceased, who was twenty-five years old, prior to the war was employed in a firm of fruit brokers in Liverpool. After once being rejected, he joined the 6th Liverpools in September, 1914, and went to the front in February last year. He

was wounded and invalided home three months later, but returned to France in the autumn. On Monday, March 13th, he was engaged mending wire entanglements, and had only just commenced work, when he was shot, and never regained consciousness. He was buried the same evening, in a little cemetery behind the firing line.

"Died A Hero's Death"

Several letters have been received speaking of his popularity with his friends, with whom he was a great favourite. Another friend at present invalided home from the front wrote a letter to his parents, in which he said:-

"My friendship for Ray extended over a period of nearly fourteen years, and from the day we first met as schoolboys I found him to be a loyal friend and one who invariably played the straight game. It will be some consolation to you, I am sure, that he maintained that spirit as a man and died a hero's death in a noble cause."

The late Rifleman Walker was an old Wallasey Grammar School boy.

References and Acknowledgments

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