

Surname	Webb
Forename(s)	Alfred Augustus
Initials	A A
Age	22
Honours/Awards	
Date died	04/07/1916
Rank	Private
Regiment	Cheshire Regiment
Unit/Squadron	"D" Coy. 11th Bn.
Service Number	16780
Cemetery/Memorial	Thiepval Memorial
Grave Reference	Pier and Face 3 C and 4 A.
Further Information	Son of Sarah Jane Webb, of 25, Greenwood Lane, Wallasey, Cheshire, and the late Joseph Webb.



Chronicle News

"Died True English Lad's Death"

Wallasey "Pals" Tribute To Fallen Comrade

Another Wallasey "Pal" who forfeited his life during the initial stages of the great "push" is Private Alfred A. Webb, only son of Mr and Mrs J. Webb, 25 Green Lane, Egremont, who was killed in action on July 3rd. Deceased, who was in his twenty-third year, was formerly a member of the Seacombe Wesleyan P.S.A. He enlisted in September, 1914, and proceeded to the front exactly a year later.

The regrettable intelligence was conveyed to the parents in a letter from Corporal William Higham, who is a well-known local humourist. The following is an extract:-

"Although very much delayed through our not being able to write news which requires censoring it is my painful duty to inform you of your son Alf's death,

which occurred on the morning of the 3rd instant while taking part in an attack on the German trenches. The deepest sympathy of myself and the comrades he leaves behind is with you in your bereavement, and it is the sincere wish of us all that God's strength may be given to you in your sorrow ... You will have consolation in knowing that he died a true English lad's death in the midst of his duties, fighting the good fight for those he leaves behind."

References and Acknowledgments

Commonwealth War Grave Commission
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