

Surname	Williams
Forename	Albert John
Initials	A J
Age	
Honours/Awards	
Date died	20/06/1915
Rank	Private
Regiment	Cheshire Regiment
Unit/Squadron	1 st Bn.
Service Number	7645
Cemetery/Memorial	Bailleul Communal Cemetery Extension, Nord
Grave Reference	I.B.107
Further Information	Son of Mr and Mrs Rees Williams, 384 Poulton Road, Wallasey. Born in Seacombe.



Chronicle News

Died From Wounds

News has been received that Private Albert John Williams, 1st Cheshire Regiment, has died as the result of wounds, the sad event occurring on June 20th. The youngest son of Mr and Mrs Rees Williams, of 384 Poulton Road, Wallasey, the late Private Williams was born in Seacombe. He was three years in the Regular Army and had served in India, but latterly for several years he had been a Reservist, and was employed as a painter by the Wallasey Corporation. His father is also employed by the Corporation, being in the Public Health Department.

About three weeks ago Private Williams was wounded, and on that occasion he sent the following letter to his father and mother, a Church of England Chaplain kindly writing it for him:-

"3rd Casualty Clearing Station

"France, June 18th, 1915.

"My dear father and mother – You will be sorry to hear I have been rather badly

wounded in the chest. It happened in the last big attack we made, and after some delay I was carried in here, and am being nursed and well cared for. Do not worry about me, as it might be the means of me coming home before long. Your loving son, Albert.”

On Saturday last the news came that he had passed away. He had been at the front for eleven months, and after the engagement in which he was fatally wounded he had hoped to come home for a brief rest. Being on the Reserve list, he was of course, called up on the outbreak of war, and he soon found himself in France – in fact, he was one of the few of the 1st Cheshires who survived the retreat from Mons. From thence he went on through the various engagements, and had escaped unscathed till the big attack when he was wounded in the chest. He was reverently buried in Bailleul Cemetery.

Private Williams was a keen sportsman, and played both football and bowls. As a painter he assisted in painting the Wallasey ferryboat Daffodil in preparation for the visit of the King and Queen to Wallasey.

References and Acknowledgments

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