

Surname	Huggins
Forename	Charles
Initials	C
Age	
Honours/Awards	
Date died	18/08/1916
Rank	Sergeant
Regiment	The King's (Liverpool Regiment)
Unit/Squadron	11 th Bn.
Service Number	12855
Cemetery/Memorial	Thiepval Memorial
Grave Reference	Pier and Face 1 D 8 B and 8 C
Further Information	Husband of Alice Huggins of 21 Clifford Road, Wallasey.



News Report

Physical Instructor Killed

Official notification has been received by Mrs. Alice Huggins, of 21, Clifford Road, Wallasey, of the death of her husband, Sergeant Charles Huggins, of the King's Liverpool Regiment. The deceased officer was a well-known athlete and boxer and devoted his spare time to physical instruction at Saudow's. He was employed by Messrs. Alfred Dobell and Co., timber brokers, of Liverpool. He had been eighteen months in France.

Captain Johnson of the same regiment, writes:-

"Not only was he a good man, but greatly beloved by the company. His name had been sent in for conspicuous courage and bravery, and had he lived would have had a great honour."

Sergeant-Major G.W. Lloyd writes:-

"Dear Mrs Huggins – You will see in the papers no doubt before you receive

this of the big struggle we have taken part in recently. I am extremely sorry to say 'Charlie' got hit with a piece of shell whilst doing his duty. I shook hands with him before he died, and asked him if there was anything I could do; all he wanted was to get up and be dressed. He was very sensible up to the last and looked like himself when dead. He was buried at night, and a rough cross erected over him till such times as we get a good one made, and when passing the spot will place it over him. Well, Mrs. Huggins, I hardly know how to start this and how to break the news. I hope I haven't put it too straight, but as a soldier and a great pal as you know of Charlie's and my senior sergeant. I felt compelled to let you know of the captain (Captain Johnson), all the officers, myself, and the company at large, for Charlie was well liked by all, we offer you and the family our deepest sympathy. I hope you won't take it too hard, although the greatest blow you could receive. I can assure you he died in the heat of a great battle; he died a soldier's and a man's death fighting for his country.

References and Acknowledgments

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