

Surname	Rankine
Forename	David
Initials	D
Age	26
Honours/Awards	
Date died	05/11/1917
Rank	Private
Regiment	The King's (Liverpool Regiment)
Unit/Squadron	2nd/10th Bn.
Service Number	356061
Cemetery/Memorial	Tyne Cot Memorial
Grave Reference	Panel 31 to 34 and 162 and 162A and 163A.
Further Information	Son of James Rankine, of 226, Poulton Rd., Wallasey, Cheshire. He was formerly in business with his brother as a baker and confectioner and attended the <a href="#">Seacombe Congregational Church</a> . Joined the army in August 1914 and had been in France for 12 months. Killed in action by a high explosive shell.



#### News Report

#### Two Brothers

#### One Killed And The Other Wounded

The sad intimation has been received that Private David Rankine, of the King's Liverpool Regt., was killed in action by high explosive shell on November 6. He joined the Army, August, 1914, and had been twelve months in France. He was formerly in business with his brother as a baker and confectioner, and attended the Seacombe Congregational Church. He was the third son of Mrs. F. Rankine, and of the late Mr. J. Rankine, 226, Poulton Road, Wallasey.

Captain J.A. Roberts writes:- "Dear Mrs. Rankine:- It is with the deepest regret

that I have to inform you of the death of your son, Private D. Rankine, who was killed in action instantaneously by a shell at his post in the firing line. I know this sad news will come as a great shock to you after the death of your eldest son. We ourselves feel that he can never be replaced. He did not know what fear was, and always gave a helping hand to his weaker comrades on the march. He was buried with his friend, Private H.H. Hornby, and the officers and men join with me in tendering your ou deepest sympathy in your great loss.”

His youngest brother, Private Wallace Rankine, of the Northumberland Fusiliers, aged 19, was wounded on October 25 by shrapnel in the back, and has been admitted to the Canterbury Military Hospital. He joined the colours in July, 1915, and had been twelve months in France. His eldest brother, Private [W.J. Rankine](#) was killed in action twelve months ago.

#### References and Acknowledgments

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