

World War 1

Birmingham City Police

PC C59 Herbert Horace GOODLEY

Lance Corporal 12628
2nd battalion Grenadier Guards
Died in France 24th December 1914



Herbert was born in Thorpe, Norfolk, the youngest son of William and Sarah

He had five older sisters and two older brothers

In 1891, Herbert was living in New Road, Thorpe, with his parents and older siblings William, Lydia and Gertrude. His father was an engine driver

By 1901, his father had died and Herbert, his mother and sister Gertrude were living with his brother William, a railway engine stoker, in Cambridge along with William's wife, and their baby son William

In 1901, Herbert married Florence Woulds in Peterborough

In 1911, they were residing at 17 Oundle Road, in Peterborough with their two little daughters, Lydia and Margaret, and Herbert's mother. Herbert was working as a hairdresser and tobacconist

On 13th October 1913, Herbert joined Birmingham City Police aged 25 years. He served on the 'C' Division with warrant number 8379 and collar number PC C59, until he was called to military service on 4th August 1914

Herbert had enlisted in Nottinghamshire. He sailed to France aboard the S.S. Cawder Castle on 12th August 1914.

Herbert's battalion were north east of Bethune when Herbert was wounded, and subsequently died of his injuries on 24th December 1914.

Herbert is commemorated at Le Touret Memorial, Pas de Calais, France Panel 2.

Also commemorated on Panel two is PC Thomas Billingsley a Birmingham City Police officer who also lost his life, on 10th-13th March 1915

