

World War 1

Birmingham City Police

PC B James William GREEN

Lance Sergeant 5805
2nd battalion Coldstream Guards
Died in France 16th September 1916

Harold was born in September 1883 in Langley, Worcestershire son of Charles and Mary Ann (nee Skett). His father Charles, was a general labourer and was born in Quinton, Birmingham. His mother was born in Northfield, Birmingham.

James had two older sisters and two younger sisters.

James resided in Titford Road and Old Park Road, Oldbury.

On 16th December 1907, James joined Birmingham City Police as a 24-year-old iron tuner and a reservist. He served on the B Division with warrant number 7963.

In 1911 he was residing as a boarder in Victoria Road, Stirchley, Birmingham with the occupation of a Police Constable.

On 4th August 1914, James was recalled to military service, he was killed in the Somme offensive.

He left £434 2s 4d to his mother Mary Ann, his father had Charles had died in 1916 and his uncle John had died in 1915.

James is commemorated on Thiepval Memorial, France Pier and Face 7D 8D

