

# World War 1

## Birmingham City Police

### PC E155 THOMAS HUDSON

**Private 21913**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> battalion Coldstream Guards**  
**Died in France 1<sup>st</sup> December 1917**



Thomas is referred to as Thomas Hudson, Thomas Frederick Hudson and Frederick Thomas Hudson

Thomas was born in Stanton Harcourt, Oxfordshire on 3<sup>rd</sup> June 1894 and his birth was registered as Frederick Thomas, he was the fourth child of six children; he had three older sisters Sarah, Edith and Evelyn, and two younger brothers Henry and Christopher. His father was Frederick and his mother, was Emily Ada (nee Seeney). His father died in 1937 after his mother had died in 1920

Thomas joined Birmingham City Police as a 20-year-old gardener on 8<sup>th</sup> June 1914, he served on the E Division with warrant number 8502 and collar number PC E155

Thomas resigned from the police on 5<sup>th</sup> March 1917 and travelled to France with the 3<sup>rd</sup> battalion of the Coldstream Guards

The battalion took part in confused fighting in Gouzencourt in late November 1917; Thomas was wounded in action on 28<sup>th</sup> November 1917 and died of his wounds a few days later on 1<sup>st</sup> December at the 61<sup>st</sup> Field ambulance

His effects were sent to his mother, Emily Ada

His death was also reported in the Oxford Weekly news on 21<sup>st</sup> January 1918

*Died of wounds*

*HUDSON – December 1 from wounds received in action Pte Thomas Hudson, Coldstream Guards, late Birmingham Police Force, dearly loved eldest son of Mr and Mrs F Hudson of Stanton Harcourt, aged 23 years.*

Thomas is buried at Fins New British Cemetery, Sorrel le Grand, France.  
Grave 11 D20



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