

# World War 1

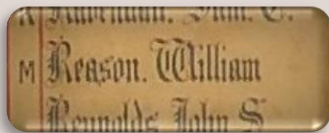
## Birmingham City Police

### PC B129 William REASON

Lance Corporal 29517  
1<sup>st</sup> battalion Royal Dublin Fusiliers  
Died in France 3<sup>rd</sup> April 1918



William is posted on the Roll of Honour as missing but was a casualty of the war



William was born 10<sup>th</sup> February 1893, along with his twin sister Anna in Winderton, Brailes, Warwick. They were the son and daughter of William, a general labourer and Mary Ann nee Bailey

William and Anna were both baptised on 15<sup>th</sup> February 1893, in Brailes. Sadly, Anna died aged 3 years 9 months and was buried at Winderton on 4<sup>th</sup> December 1896

William had an older brother Frank, and a younger sister Elizabeth and a younger brother Percival

On 27<sup>th</sup> November 1912, William joined Birmingham City Police as a 19-year-old farm hand

He served on the B Division with warrant number 8250 and collar number B129

On 5<sup>th</sup> March 1917 William resigned and enlisted in the Army in Birmingham.

It is believed William died or was killed on 3<sup>rd</sup> April 1918. CWGC records state William died between 21<sup>st</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> March 1918, however, Ireland's Memorial Records state William was killed in action on 3<sup>rd</sup> April 1918

Birmingham City Police Records dated August 18<sup>th</sup> 1918, record William is missing in action

His army effects were given to his father William

William is commemorated at Pozières Cemetery, panel 79 and 80



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