

## HAROLD BAGNALL

4311, Private, Harold Bagnall, 1/6<sup>th</sup> Battalion, Cheshire Regiment. Born in 1888 at Poynton, eldest son of William Henry and Isabella Bagnall, with an address of Hockley, Poynton, in 1901. Harold had two brothers, George and Harry. In 1911 the family were living at Coppice Road, Poynton. Harold married Ada Hepplestone in the autumn of 1911, registered at Macclesfield. They set up home at 18 Mount Vernon, Poynton, Cheshire. Harold was employed as a coal miner hewer, in the local colliery. He was associated with the Hockley Chapel and attended the Bible Class connected with St George's Church.

He enlisted in July 1915 at Stockport, and after his period of military training he was drafted with the British Expeditionary Force

to France, and was in the trenches by 29<sup>th</sup> July 1916. The region of hostilities was the Somme. The 6<sup>th</sup> Battalion were in trenches in front of Thiepval, and this is where they earned the Battle Honour fighting for Pozieres, 3<sup>rd</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> September 1916. This action was concerned with the fighting for Mouquet Farm. Harold died of wounds received here, 02/09/1916. He was aged 27 years.

