

JOSEPH HOOLEY

76900, Private, Joseph Hooley, 1st Battalion, Cheshire Regiment. Born in 1894 at Poynton, son of a coal miner, Thomas and Jane Hooley of Haig Road, Poynton, later to move to Shrigley Road, Poynton. In 1911, the census shows Joseph to have been a jig boy haulier, underground. His siblings were John William, Edward, Sarah, Hannah, Hilda, and Elizabeth. He was also a regular worshipper at Green Close Chapel, Shrigley. In the second quarter of 1918, Joseph married Annie Barton, registered at Macclesfield. Joseph enlisted 12th June 1918 at Stockport and he was drafted to France. The 1st Cheshire's were in the 5th Division, 15th Infantry Brigade and were positioned at

BETHENCOURT on 20th October 1918. Joseph was killed in action, 23/10/1918, aged 24 years. He would have been involved at the battle of Selle, (17th to 25th October 1918), in which the 1st Battalion suffered heavy casualties; 34 other ranks were killed on the 23^{rd.} Joseph was killed by shrapnel.



Medals: British War Medal and Victory Medal.

Private, Joseph Hooley is buried at Romeries Communal Cemetery Extension, Nord, France. C.W.G.C. Ref: - III. E. 1.

