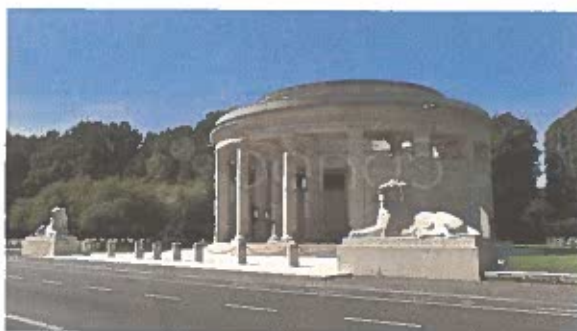


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Full name	Private Frederick Arthur Wilcox
Born	1897 in West Moors
CWGC	Service number 29740
Died	14 April 1918, age 21
Memorial	Ploegsteert Memorial, panel 6



British War Medal
& Victory Medal



Son of the late George James and Elizabeth Wilcox
of Jutland Ashurst Road, West Moors.

Circumstance

Frederick enlisted in Poole as Private 15758 in the Dorsetshire Regiment. Details are a bit sketchy, but he was transferred to the 2nd Battalion of the Hampshire Regiment as Private 29740 and sent to France. He was transferred to the 1st Battalion Hampshire Regiment where they were engaged in the battle of the Lys in Flanders. This was one of many minor battles, known collectively as the 4th Battle of Ypres. All the achievements of the 3rd Battle of Ypres in 1917, especially taking the Passchendaele Ridge, were lost again with heavy losses on both sides. The Germans lost 120,000 men and the Allies lost a similar number. Frederick was one of those whose body was never found.

Notes

He was awarded the British War and Victory medals.

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