

REMEMBERED WITH HONOUR

Full name **Private Mark Vine**
Birth **1896 in West Moors**
CWGC **Service number 202649**
Died **25 August 1918 Age 23**

Memorial

Vis-En- Artois Memorial, panel 7



1914/15 Star, British War
& Victory Medals



Son of Mark and Edith Vine of Moorlands Road, West Moors.

Circumstance

Mark enlisted in the 4th Battalion (Territorial) Dorsetshire Regiment as Private 4726. He officially enlisted into the Regiment as 12678 on 28th December 1914. After completing his Basic Training he was sent to France on 13th May 1915 to join the 1st Battalion Dorsetshires. The 4th Battalion was sent to France in July 1915 and at some time Mark was transferred to the 6th Battalion which was fighting in the Somme region. Not much is known until August 1918 when the Battalion was on the Thiepval Ridge, advancing towards Martinpuch. There were no major battles, but quite a few skirmishes up to 25th August when it was realised that he was missing.

Mark's brother 12679 Private Basil Vine enlisted the same day as Mark, with the same movements as Mark. Maybe it was Basil who realised that his brother was missing. Basil was wounded and later discharged on 9th September 1918. Another brother, Ivor, joined the Royal Engineers as Sapper 322515 and returned home unhurt.

Mark was awarded the 1914/18 Star, the British War & Victory Medals.

Information compiled by Lynne Anderson, 1st West Moors Scout Group, 2025