



PRIVATE FREDERICK PORTER

SERVICE NO. 7288,

1ST BATTALION, THE HAMPSHIRE REGIMENT

DATE OF DEATH

26 August 1914 (aged 25)

BATTLE

Battle of Le Cateau

REGIMENT

1st Battalion, The Hampshire Regiment

DEATH

Killed in action

FAMILY DETAILS

Frederick, the son of William, a platelayer, and Rebecca Porter was born in Potbridge, Odiham, on 22 November 1888^{xxxiv}. He was the youngest of ten children, although four of the older siblings had died during the period 1881 – 1882^{xxxv}. In 1891, the family home included his parents and five siblings, Albert (10), Elizabeth (8), Harriet (7), Alice (5) and Frederick (2)^{xxxvi}. He attended London Road Board School from 23 November 1896^{xxxvii}. Some time after leaving school Frederick enlisted in the Army, probably in 1904 as suggested by his Regimental service number. He would have been 15 or 16 at the time. In November 1906 he was awarded a 1st Good Conduct Medal^{xxxviii}. In January 1908 Frederick transferred to the Army Reserves^{xxxix}. On his return to civilian life Frederick followed in his father's footsteps and became a railway platelayer, the occupation given in the 1911 census^{xl}. On 31st July 1914 Frederick became the father of daughter, Florence, born to Mabel Gubby^{xli}.

MEMORIAL

La Ferte-sous-Jouarre Memorial, south bank of the River Marne

MEDALS

1914-15 Star
British War Medal
Victory Medal