

Compton Chamberlayne

Roll of Honour



Lest we Forget

World War I



58944 SERJEANT

William TURNER

ROYAL FIELD ARTILLERY

24th MAY, 1918

WE HOPE TO MEET

AGAIN IN HEAVEN

William TURNER

William Turner was born in Birmingham, Warwickshire in early 1881 to parents John & Harriet Turner.

The 1881 Census records William Turner as a 2 month old living with his parents – John (father, aged 36 , a coach iron filer) his mother Harriet (aged 39, a church cleaner) Also listed were 3 older siblings – Joseph, aged 15, Sarah Ann, aged 9 & Charles, aged 3. The family were living at Newhaven St, Birmingham.

The 1891 Census records William Turner as a 10 year old

The 1901 Census records William Turner as a 19 year old general labourer living with his father – John Turner, aged 59, a Tin Plate worker. They lived at Tower St, Birmingham.

The 1911 Census.

Serjeant William Turner, service number 58944, was enlisted with the Royal Field Artillery.

He was killed in action on 24th May, 1918, aged 37 years. Serjeant Turner is buried in Plot II. K. 11 of the Aire Communal Cemetery, France and is acknowledged with a Commonwealth War Graves Headstone.

The Commonwealth War Graves Commission lists Serjeant William Turner as the son of John and Harriet Turner, of Birmingham; husband of Isabel Turner, of No 3, Well Cottage, Compton Chamberlayne, nr Salisbury, Wilts.

was entitled to the 1914-15 Star, British War & Victory Medals. His Medal Index Card shows he had entered a Theatre of War

A photo of Serjeant William Turner's Headstone at the Aire Communal Cemetery, France.



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Aire Communal Cemetery, France

Aire Communal Cemetery Photographs



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