In Memory Of

RICHARD COPPOCK

Private 351720
1 / 6th Bn., Manchester Regiment
who died on Sunday, 20th October 1918

Born **Enlisted** Ashton-u-Lyne **Residence** Hyde, Cheshire

Died How Killed in action **Theatre of War** France & Flanders

Additional Inf. Son of Alfred & Esther Coppock, 68 Warrington Rd, Witton.

Commemorative Information

Cemetery: BELLE VUE BRITISH CEMETERY, BRIASTRE, Nord, France

Grave Reference/ Panel Number: A. 20.

Location: Briastre is a village 18 kilometres east of Cambrai and 24 kilometres south of Valenciennes. About 800 metres east of the village is Belle Vue Farm and the Cemetery is on the south-west side of it on the Le Cateau to Solesmes road (D955).

Historical Information: Briastre village was taken by the New Zealand and 37th Divisions on the night of the 10th-11th October, 1918; and on the 20th Belle Vue Farm was captured by the 5th East Lancs of the 42nd Division.Belle Vue British Cemetery was begun by the 42nd (East Lancashire) Division on the 23rd October, and used for a few days. In 1922 it was enlarged by the concentration of graves from Briastre Communal Cemetery Extension, a single row on the East side of the Communal Cemetery. There are now nearly 150, 1914-18 war casualties commemorated in this site. Of these, 10 are unidentified. The Cemetery covers an area of 495 square metres and is enclosed on one side by the high wall of the farm and on the other three by a low brick wall.