

In Memory Of

FREDERICK CROWLEY



Private 22464
2nd Bn., Prince of Wales's Volunteers (South Lancs Regiment)
who died on Thursday, 2nd August 1917. Age 26

Born Hyde, Cheshire **Enlisted** Hyde, Cheshire **Residence**

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

Additional Inf. Son of Thomas and Catherine Ann Crowley ; 12 Croft St, Hyde.

Commemorative Information

Cemetery: POELCAPELLE BRITISH CEMETERY, Langemark-Poelkapelle, West-V., Belgium
Grave Reference/
Panel Number: LX. D. 7.

Location: Poelcapelle British Cemetery is located 10 kilometres north east of Ieper town centre on the Brugseweg (N313), a road connecting Ieper to Brugge. Two streets connect Ieper town centre onto the Brugseweg; Torhoutstraat leads from the market square onto the Kalfvaartstraat. At the end of Kalfvaartstraat is a large junction on which Brugseweg is the first right hand turning. The cemetery itself lies 10 kilometres along the Brugseweg on the right hand side of the road after passing through the village of Poelkapelle.

Historical Information: Poelcapelle (now Poelkapelle) was taken by the Germans from the French on the 20th October, 1914, entered by the 11th Division on the 4th October, 1917, evacuated by the British in April, 1918, and retaken by the Belgians on the 28th September, 1918. It has given its name to the battle of the 9th October, 1917, one of the Battles of Ypres. The village contains a monument to Captain Guynemer, the French airman, who fell in the neighbourhood in September, 1917. The commune contained a number of German Cemeteries; and close to the British Cemetery were POELCAPELLE EAST GERMAN CEMETERY, made by the Germans and constructed, and POELCAPELLE NEW GERMAN CEMETERY, made by British burial parties after the Armistice. Poelcapelle British Cemetery was made after the Armistice by the concentration of graves from other cemeteries and from the battlefields. The great majority of the dead who now rest in it fell in the last five months of 1917, and particularly in the month of October, but certain plots (IA, VIA, VIIA, LI and LXI) contain many graves of 1914 and 1915.