

In Memory Of

JOHN AMOS DEARDEN

Serjeant 38933 (61810)
35th Bn., Royal Fusiliers (Labour Corps)
who died on Wednesday, 8th August 1917. Age 36

Born Sheffield **Enlisted** Ashton-u-Lyne **Residence** Hyde, Ches.

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

Additional Inf. FORMERLY 1311, MIDDLESEX REGIMENT.
Husband of Caroline Dearden, of 76a George Street, Hyde.

Commemorative Information

Cemetery: VLAMERTINGHE NEW MILITARY CEMETERY, Ieper, West-Vlaanderen, Belgium
**Grave Reference/
Panel Number:** V. D. 24.

Location: Vlamertinge New Military Cemetery is located 5 Km west of Ieper town centre and to the south of the village of Vlamertinge. Vlamertinge itself is located along the Poperingseweg. (Vlamertinge is the modern spelling of Vlamertinghe). From Ieper town centre the Poperingseweg (N308), is reached via Elverdingsestraat then straight over two small roundabouts in the J. Capronstraat. The Poperingseweg is a continuation of J. Capronstraat and begins after a prominent railway level crossing. The cemetery itself is located after turning left in the village of Vlamertinge onto the Hugo Verriestraat. This road crosses a railway and the main road N38, where the name of the street changes to Bellestraat. The cemetery lies 200 metres on the left hand side of the Bellestraat, after crossing the N38. Visitors to this site should note a grassed access path which runs between two houses on the street front and is unsuitable for vehicles.

Historical Information: Vlamertinghe was, during the greater part of the War, just outside the normal range of enemy shell fire, and it was used both by Artillery units and by Field Ambulances. The graves of 1914, 1915, 1916 and the early part of 1917 are in the Military Cemetery, close to the Church; but that burial ground could not be extended, and the British offensive of 1917 brought about the creation of the New Military Cemetery. It was first used at the beginning of June; and by December 1917, Plots I to XII were almost filled. There are now nearly 2,000, 1914-18 war casualties commemorated in this site.