

In Memory Of

WILLIAM FERN

Private 35564
10th Bn., Cheshire Regiment
who died on Monday, 4th September 1916. Age 22



Born Hyde, Cheshire **Enlisted** Hyde **Residence**
Died How Died of wounds **Theatre of War** France & Flanders
Additional Inf. Son of Thomas Fern, of 28, Thornley Street, Hyde, Cheshire.

Commemorative Information

Cemetery: PUCHEVILLERS BRITISH CEMETERY, Somme, France
Grave Reference/ IV. A. 21.
Panel Number:
Location: Puchevillers is a village on the D11 about 19 kilometres north-east of Amiens. The British Cemetery is a little west of the village. The first Commonwealth War Graves Commission signpost is situated by the church in the village.

Historical Information: In June 1916 just before the opening of the Battles of the Somme, the 3rd and 44th Casualty Clearing Stations came to Puchevillers, and Plots I. to V., and almost the whole of Plot VI. were made by those hospitals before the end of March, 1917. For the next two months the 2nd/1st South Midland Casualty Clearing Station used the Cemetery. Plot VII. contains for the most part the graves of men who fell in the German advance in 1918, and many of whom were buried by the 49th Clearing Station in March, 1918, or by the 48th Labour Group in August. There are now nearly 2,000, 1914-18 war casualties commemorated in this site. The Cemetery covers an area of 3,973 square metres and is surrounded by a brick wall with a stone coping.