

In Memory Of

CHARLES HERMAN MM

Serjeant 14571
Machine Gun Corps (Infantry)
who died on Tuesday, 24th September 1918. Age 29

Born Droylsden, Lancs **Enlisted** Hyde, Cheshire **Residence**
Died How Died of wounds **Theatre of War** France & Flanders
Additional Inf. FORMERLY 27953, CHESHIRE REGIMENT. Awarded MM.
Husband of Selina Herman, of 8, Miles Street, Ewen Fields, Hyde.

Commemorative Information

Cemetery: BRIE BRITISH CEMETERY, Somme, France
Grave Reference/ II. C. 9.
Panel Number:
Location: Brie is a village on the N29 Amiens-St Quentin road. The Cemetery lies on the left side of the D88 road about 1 kilometre from Brie in the direction of St Crist-Briost.

Historical Information: On the 18th-20th March, 1917, British troops repaired the bridge and captured the village, in the course of the Allied advance to the Hindenburg Line. The village and the bridge were lost in our retreat on the 23rd March, 1918. They were regained on the 5th September, when the 32nd Division cleared the village. The cemetery was begun by British units after the second occupation of the village, and taken over by the 5th, 47th and 48th Casualty Clearing Stations, which were posted at Brie in September and October and then moved on along the St. Quentin road to Bihecourt, near Vermand. It was enlarged after the Armistice by the concentration of graves from St. Cren British and German Cemeteries and from the battlefields East and South of Brie. There are now over 400, 1914-18 war casualties commemorated in this site. Of these, nearly 50 are unidentified and special memorials are erected to 15 soldiers from the United Kingdom known or believed to be buried among them. The graves of three American soldiers who were buried in the cemetery have been removed. The cemetery covers an area of 1,400 square metres and it is enclosed by a rubble wall. ST: CREN BRITISH and GERMAN CEMETERIES, MONS-ENCHAUSSEE, were side by side at the North-Western exit of the hamlet of St. Cren. They contained the graves of 23 soldiers from the United Kingdom and four from Australia, who fell in March, April, September and October, 1918.