Thomas William James

Thomas William James was born in Adbolton in 1892 to father Walter and mother Harriett nee Whittaker.

In 1911 when he was 19 years old Thomas was working as a farm labourer and living in 5 room house in Adbolton with his parents, sisters Florence, Annie, Nellie, Gertrude and Winifred and brothers Walter and Albert.

Private Thomas William James (also known as William) enlisted with the North Staffs Regiment and then served with the 1st Battalion East Lancashire Regiment.

On 30th May 1916 aged 24 years, he married Daisy Hopkinson Briggs aged 30 years of Adbolton. The wedding was conducted by the Rev W.J. Saward at St Edmunds Church Holme Pierrepont.

Five months later on the 18th October 1916 he was killed in action in France.

Private Thomas William James is remembered on the Thiepval Memorial to the Missing of the Somme.



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