

In Memory of

Gunner

H Ditchfield

112571, 33rd Bty. 33rd Bde., Royal Field Artillery who died on 15 November 1916

Remembered with Honour
Guards' Cemetery, Lesboeufs



**Commemorated in perpetuity by
the Commonwealth War Graves Commission**

Gunner Harry Ditchfield

33rd Brigade (33rd Battery) Royal Field Artillery

Died: 15 November 1916

Age: 22

How Died: Killed in Action

Country of burial: France

Cemetery or Memorial: Guards Cemetery, Lesboeufs, Pas de Calais

Town Memorial: Altrincham

Extra Information:

Born during the September quarter 1894 in the Altrincham R.D. - ref: 8a/177, the only son of John & Hannah Ditchfield (nee Evans - nee Leigh).

Background Note: Hannah Ditchfield was born Hannah Leigh in 1856 and married Edward Evans a cab driver c1877. Edward Evans died in 1884 leaving Hannah a widow with four children. In 1891, Hannah Evans and her four children - (aged, 13 down to 8) were residing at 1 Victoria Street, Altrincham. Hannah then married John Ditchfield at Altrincham in 1894. John died the following year, aged: 39, leaving Hannah a widow for the second time.

1901 Census - 32 Victoria Street, Altrincham. Son - aged: 7 - born: Altrincham. Head of household - Hannah Ditchfield - Widowed - aged: 45 - born: Northwich, Cheshire. Plus 2 elder half brothers from Hannah's previous marriage.

1911 Census - 32 Victoria Street, Altrincham. Son - aged: 16 - occ: Painter - born: Altrincham. Head of household - Hannah Ditchfield - Widowed - aged: 55 - occ: Church Caretaker - born: Northwich, Cheshire. Plus 2 elder half brothers from Hannah's previous marriage.

Attended St. George's C of Eng School. Employed by Mr. R.A. Cumming of Stockport Road, Timperley.

Enlisted in September 1915 and posted abroad in February 1916. MIC - states that he was awarded only the BWM & the VM - no other details.

The "Battle of the Ancre" (River Ancre), was taking place from the 13th to the 18th November 1916.

Listed in the Guardian Year Book - Roll of Honour for 1918.

Memorials found on:

Trinity Presbyterian Church, Altrincham

St. George's Church, Altrincham

Altrincham & District Roll of Honour



Harry's Grave in the Guard's Cemetery, Lesboeufs, France