In Memory of Pte. HERBERT CRESSWELL



EASTWOOD & KIMBERLEY ADVERTISER 30TH AUGUST 1918 KILLED IN RETREAT PTE HERBERT CRESSWELL LOSCOE,

Strong hopes had been held out by Mr and Mrs Benjamin Cresswell, of Granfield Street, Loscoe, that their son Pte Herbert Cresswell, of the 2nd/5th Sherwood's, who was posted as missing on March 21st last, would eventually prove to be a prisoner of war.

Subsequent news, however, has dashed this hope to the ground, and through the Red Cross they have this week learned that the brave boy, who enlisted in July 1915 at 17 years of age, was recognised by his disc, and has been returned from Berlin as having died on the battlefield.

A letter in April from an N.C.O. in his company informed the parents that headquarters was surrounded and all believed to be taken prisoners. Cresswell, who prior to enlisting worked at Ormonde Colliery, had been in France since March 1916, and was last home on leave in June 1917.

Name: Herbert Cresswell

Birth Place: 6th December 1897, Denby, Derbyshire Parents: Benjamin and Annie Elizabeth Cresswell 5 Grandfield Street, Loscoe, Derbyshire

Previous Occupation: Colliery Smithem checker

Death Date: 21st March 1918

Enlistment Location: Ilkeston, Derbyshire 13th July 1915

Rank: Private

Regiment: Sherwood Foresters (Notts and Derby Regiment)

Battalion: 2/5th Battalion

Service Number: 28009

Served with the Experditionary Force in France and Flanders from 10th March 1916; was reported missing after the fighting between Queant and Norieul 21st March, 1918, and is now known to have been killed in action on that date.