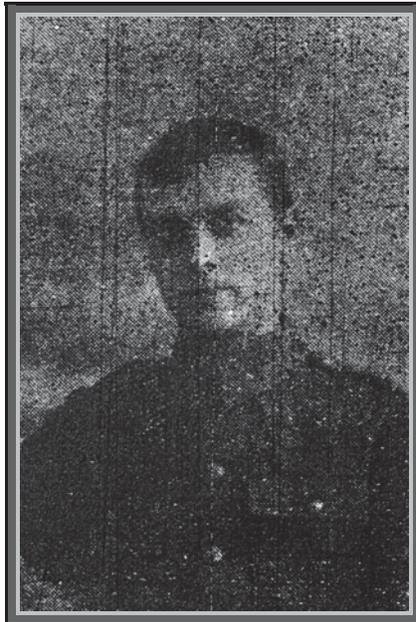


In Memory of  
Pte. GEORGE SHAWCROFT



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**13<sup>th</sup> October 1916**  
**A PEASEHILL PATRIOT**  
**WOUNDED AT NEUVE CHAPELLE-KILLED IN BIG PUSH**

Son of Mr and Mrs Shawcroft, late of Peasehill and now of Jolly Colliers, Waingroves, was the first volunteer at Ripley Market Place recruiting meeting at the commencement of war to be sent abroad.

He was a bomb thrower attached to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion of the County regiment, and was wounded in the face at Neuve Chapelle, being assisted from the front line to the rear by a German prisoner. After recovering from this wound he again went out in the New Year to the seat of hostilities, but according to a letter from Pte. J.W.

Farnsworth, a son of the former host of the Three Horse Shoes Hotel in Ripley, he was mortally wounded in the Big Push about the middle of September.

Fansworth bandaged his pal's wound, but Shawcroft expired in his arms a few minutes afterwards.

Up to the time of going to press, Mr and Mrs Shawcroft have received no official endorsement of Farnsworth's letter, but they are afraid the sad news is only too true.

<b>Name:</b>	George Shawcroft
<b>Parents:</b>	William and Mary Shawcroft
<b>Birth Place:</b>	1893 Ripley, Derbyshire
<b>Occupation:</b>	Coal Miner
<b>Residence:</b>	Codnor, Derbyshire
<b>Enlisted:</b>	Derby
<b>Rank:</b>	Private
<b>Regiment:</b>	Sherwood Foresters (Notts and Derby Regiment)
<b>Battalion:</b>	2nd Battalion
<b>Service NO.:</b>	14017
<b>Death Date:</b>	16th Sep 1916
<b>Memorial:</b>	THIEPVAL MEMORIAL
<b>Panel Ref:</b>	Pier and Face 10 C 10 D and 11 A.