




Sedgehill Roll of Honour
THE GREAT WAR 1914-1918

 <p>Memorial Plaque</p>	 <p>Jerusalem Memorial, Israel</p>	<p>REGINALD HUNT of Sedgehill, Wiltshire</p>
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Date/place of birth	1897 Sedgehill	2
Birth registered	Dec Q 1897 Mere Reg District 5a 186	5
Baptised	25 December 1897 St Catherine's Church Sedgehill	1
Father	Frederick Hunt of Crewkerne, Somerset. Married Dec Q 1879 Dorchester Reg District 5a 728	5
Mother	Jane Frances (nee Ashford) of Shinford, Dorset	5
Siblings	Charles, William, Anna, Walter, Edith, Mabel, Margaret, Minnie, Violet and Hilda	2
1891 Census	Nr Corner Farmhouse, Sedgehill. Frederick & Jane Hunt and family	2
1901 Census	No 2 Beney Cottage, Sedgehill. Reginald age 3. Father's occupation Cattleman on Farm	2
1911 Census	Edmonsham, Cranborne, Dorset. Reginald age 13, at school	2

Rank	Rifleman	3
Regiment	1/8th (T.F) Battalion Hampshire Regiment	3
Enlisted	Winchester (Residence at time of enlistment Edmonsham Dorset)	6
Service Number	331461	3
Medals	British War / Victory	4
Date of Death	19 Apr 1917 age 20	3
Cause of Death	Killed in action	3
Burial/Memorial	Jerusalem Memorial, Israel. Panels 28 & 29	3

 <p>£3 War Gratitude paid to Frederick Hunt (father)</p>  <p>St Catherine's Sedgehill</p>	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Name</th> <th>Corps</th> <th>Rank</th> <th>Regt. No.</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>HUNT Reginald</td> <td>Hampshire R</td> <td>Pte</td> <td>331461</td> </tr> <tr> <th>Medal</th> <th>Roll</th> <th>Page</th> <th>Remarks</th> </tr> <tr> <td>Victorian</td> <td>2/1/05 815</td> <td>1506</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Barrow</td> <td></td> <td>to.</td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>The 1/8th Battalion Hampshire Regiment were evacuated from Gallipoli to Egypt in December 1915 and moved into Palestine as part of the Egyptian Expeditionary Force.</p> <p>In the wake of the failed British assault on Gaza in March 1917, the Allies made a second attempt the following month to capture the city from the Ottoman army. By the time they launched the attack on April 17 the Turks had strengthened their defences and extended their forces along the road from Gaza to the nearby town of Beersheba.</p> <p>British soldiers outnumbered Turkish troops by two to one and employed eight heavy Mark-1 tanks and 4,000 gas shells (used for the first time on the Palestine front). The tanks proved unsuitable for the hot dry desert conditions and three were captured by the enemy - the Turks put up a blisteringly effective defence despite their inferior numbers. After three days and heavy losses, the British casualty figure of 6,444 was three times that of the Turks; the attack was called off with the city still firmly in Turkish control. Reginald Hunt was killed on the second day of the Second Battle of Gaza</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content;"> <p>HUNT, Rfn. Reginald, 331461, 1st/8th Bn. Hampshire Regt. 19th April, 1917. Age 20. Son of Fredrick Hunt, of Salterton Farm Cottages, Lower Woodford, Salisbury.</p> </div>	Name	Corps	Rank	Regt. No.	HUNT Reginald	Hampshire R	Pte	331461	Medal	Roll	Page	Remarks	Victorian	2/1/05 815	1506		Barrow		to.		
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<p>Commemorated on UK War Memorial: None found</p>																						

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1 = Parish Registers
4 = Medal Index Card

2 = 1891/1901/1911 Census
5 = GRO Register

3 = Commonwealth War Graves Commission
6 = UK Soldiers Died in the Great War 1914-1919