



Ansty Roll of Honour
THE GREAT WAR 1914-1918


BERTRAM WILLIAM JAMES MOXHAM

of Alvediston, Wiltshire


Bertram W J Moxham Lijssenthoek Military Cemetery, Poperinghe, Belgium

Date/place of birth	1889 Alvediston	5
Birth registered	Sept Q 1889 Tisbury Reg District 5a 201	2
Baptised		
Father	Frank Moxham of Ebbesborne Wake, Wiltshire. Married Dec Q 1888 Tisbury Reg District 5a 483	2
Mother	Elizabeth Clara (nee Francis) of Alvediston	2
Siblings	Samuel, Cecil, Percy and John	5
1891 Census	Twenty Acres, Alvediston, Wilts. Age 1. Father's occupation Farm Labourer	5
1901 Census	Trow, Alvediston. Age 11. Father's occupation Carter on Farm	5
1911 Census	Trow, Alvediston. Age 21, occupation Carter on Farm	5
Wife	Amy (nee Davenport) Philips (formerly Moxham). Married Dec Q 1914 Tisbury Reg District 5a 477	5
Children	Bertram, born June Q 1915 Tisbury Reg District 5a 316	2

Rank	Private	3
Regiment	1 st Battalion (Duke of Edinburgh's) Wiltshire Regiment	3
Enlisted	Devizes	6
Service Number	18889	3
Medals	14-15 Star / British War / Victory	4
Date of Death/Age	31 July 1915 age 25	3
Cause of Death	Died of wounds	3
Burial/Memorial	Lijssenthoek Military Cemetery, Poperinghe, Belgium. Grave Ref I.D.17	3



*Bertram Moxham
would never see his
new born son*




Ansty Plaque

Campaign :-		1914-15.		(A) Where decoration was earned.
				(B) Present situation.
V	Name	Corps	Rank	Reg. No.
(A)	MOXHAM Bertram	1st Bn Wiltshire Regt	Private	18889
(B)	BWJ			

Roll on which included (if any)	
MEDAL	ROLL
VICTORY	C/110239 1002
BRITISH	
15 STAR	C/11118 241

The 1st Battalion Wiltshire Regiment landed at Rouen in France on 14th August 1914 as part of 3rd Division and went into action in the first Battle of Ypres later that year.



The Battle of Hooge, Belgium, 30 July 1915
It was at this battle that the Germans first used flamethrowers against the Allies. Eleven days before the battle, British infantry had captured the German-occupied village of Hooge, near Ypres in Belgium. Using the flamethrowers to great effect, along with machine guns, trench mortars and hand grenades, the Germans reclaimed their positions on 30 July, penetrating enemy front lines with ease and pushing the British forces back. Though few men were lost to actual burns, a British officer reported that the weapons had a great demoralizing effect, and when added to the assault of the other powerful weapons, they proved mercilessly efficient at Hooge.

The 1st Bn Wiltshire Regiment war diary reports one man wounded on each of the three days 28, 29 and 31st July; with no more detail, it is impossible to know on which of these days Bertram Moxham was wounded. The register of Soldier's Effects records that he died of wounds at 10 Casualty Clearing Station in the village of Abeele, near Poperinghe, close to the French Belgian border.

£3 War Gratuity paid to Amy Moxham (wife, of 'Scotland' Upper Woodford Wiltshire)

Commemorated: Memorial Plaque St James' Church, Ansty; War Memorial Alvediston

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1 = Parish Registers
4 = Medal Index Card

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

3 = Commonwealth War Graves Commission
6 = UK Soldiers Died in the Great War 1914-1918