

GEORGE HENRY ERNEST SEYMOUR

Birth: 2 March 1888 Spalding, South Holland District, Lincolnshire, England.

He was the son of Edwin Augustus Plenty Seymour, "Gus", and Marie Jarvis Seymour of 21 Manor Lane. They owned a thriving business selling hats, clothes and all sorts of materials. It was in 191-5 High Road, Lee, London. (now Lee High Road)

Augustus and his friend Frank Tovey were both Deputy Church Wardens from 1917 till 1957. 40 Years! And Augustus only gave up due to serious physical disability.

Later in 1932 he became secretary of St Margaret's Bowling Club at the Kingswood Halls. He remained in that position until it was disbanded in 1939.

George was very involved with St Margaret's church
In January 1914 George undertook to do the distribution for the Church of England Missionary Society.

Private, SEYMOUR, GEORGE ERNEST, 2nd Bn. Canadian Infantry (Eastern Ontario Regiment). Service Number 19060. Died 22/04/1915, Aged 27. MENIN GATE MEMORIAL [Panel 10-18-26-28].

War Service:

This Canadian Battalion one of the many from the then British Empire that came to help. George, like his friend Edward Morfee, had been able to join a Canadian regiment because they had local recruitment offices. In memory of their efforts, the road that ran past their local base in Catford was renamed "Canadian Avenue".

This Battalion was part of the British Expeditionary Force and they had fought at Neuve Chapelle in the 2nd Ypres War. This was the time when the Germans had first used Gas on the battlefield.

He has no known grave and is commemorated on the Menin Gate Memorial with all the other soldiers with unknown graves from the Battle of Ypres

He is also commemorated on the St Margaret's, Lee WW1 War Memorial.



Dates: 1888 - 1915