

GORDON FREDERICK NOBLE WILKINSON

Birth: 1893

He was the son of Robert Daniel and Kate of Blackheath, London.

They lived in Blackheath Park from 1910 -1917.

Gordon was educated at Westminster School. He was a keen sportsman, and was particularly good at the High Jump and at Swimming. He won both the senior swimming competitions in his last year.

He became a clerk in the Stock Exchange.

**Second Lieutenant, WILKINSON, GORDON FREDERICK NOBLE.
10th Bn. King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry. Died 01/07/1916,
Aged 23. THIEPVAL MEMORIAL [Pier and Face 11 C and 12 A]
(France).**

War Service:

In August 1914, he enlisted in the 10th Battalion Royal Fusiliers (City of London) Regiment and later was commissioned as a 2nd Lieutenant into the 10th Batt. of the King's own Yorkshire Light Infantry.

By the end of June 1916, the British held Mametz, near Albert.

On the 1st day of July the British attacked the German line at Fricourt. It was the 1st day of the Battle of the Somme. Fricourt was captured on the 2nd and around 100 prisoners were taken. Sadly Frederick had been killed on the 1st.

After the battle the British troops cleared away the debris. (See Picture)

Memorials

He has no known grave and is commemorated on the Thiepval Memorial [Pier and Face 11C and 12A] (France).

He is remembered on the memorial at St Margaret's, Lee

Dates: 1893 – 1916