

Private Joseph Walter BURR



It was in September 1917, almost a year after he had been reported missing, that Thomas and Sarah Burr of White House, Martin received official notification that their nineteen year old son, Joseph Walter Burr, had been killed in action. Three of their other sons also served. Joseph Walter was born in 1897 and after leaving school worked for Mr H Webster on his farm at Martin Moor. He joined the 2nd Battalion Lincolnshire Regiment at Sleaford

and went out to France. On 23 October 1916 his Battalion attacked a strongly held position named Zenith Trench near Lesboeufs on the Somme. On that day thirteen officers and two hundred and seventy-two other ranks became casualties including Walter. Having no known grave his name is listed on the Thiepval Memorial.

