

Private Joseph CREASEY



At the end of July 1916 Mrs Minnie Creasey received the sad news from an Army Chaplain that her husband, Private Joseph Creasey, born at Timberland in 1888, had died from wounds on 2 July 1916, caused by a shell explosion in the 'Big Push'. In another letter she was given a glimmer of hope in that it may have been a case of mistaken identity and saying he was severely wounded. However, the worst fears were confirmed by official notice from the War Office in late August 1916 stating that he had died from wounds, aged 28. He had enlisted in September 1914 into the 7th Battalion Lincolnshire

Regiment at Boston. Two weeks before his death, Joseph had come home on a few days' leave and had spoken hopefully of victory and returned to France in good spirits. He was buried in Dartmoor Cemetery at Becordel-Becourt near Albert. On Sunday morning 20 August 1916 a memorial service was held in St Oswald's church at Walcott where a Union flag was carried by Mr William Creasey.



Joseph Creasey, was married before the Great War and moved with his wife Minnie to a farm at Carrington where they raised four

children. Minnie Creasey remarried after the war to a Mr Elkington and continued to live at Carrington.

