

## **Herts at War**

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**Name:** Frederick John Brown

**Rank:** Private

**Service Number:** G/60128

**Date of Death:** 9<sup>th</sup> March 1918

**Age:** 19

**Regiment/Service:** 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion Middlesex Regiment.

**Award:**

**Grave/Memorial Reference:** Panel 113 to 115.

**Cemetery/Memorial:** Tyne Cot Memorial Belgium.  
Hitchin Memorial, St Mary's Church. Panel B  
St Mary's Church Memorial Book, Hitchin (*not confirmed*)

**UK Cemetery/Memorial:** Tilehouse St., Baptist Church War Memorial  
British Schools Museum, Hitchin



### **Pre War:**

His home was with his parents at Peartree Cottage, Charlton near Hitchin and they were William and Emily Brown and Frederick was born in Charlton. He was educated at Tilehouse Street Baptist School and on leaving was employed by H. Peters, Butchers of Hitchin.

### **Wartime Service:**

He was called up for service on the 24th March 1917 and was posted to the 1st Battalion of the Regiment with the Regimental Number G/60128. The Battalion was part of the 98th Brigade in the 33rd Division. He went to France in October 1917 and was killed in action in Belgium.

His date of death coincides with the 1st Battalion spending quite an amount of time in the front line south west of Passchendaele and they suffered a number of casualties from mustard gas shelling.

He has no known grave, but is remembered on Panels 113-115 of the Tyne Cot Memorial to the Missing in Belgium.

### **Additional Information:**

He was the cousin of Francis Brown who was killed in action on the 19th April 1916.

### **Acknowledgments:**

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