

Private Reginald Herbert Allam

30759 9th Battalion, Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers



Reginald Allam was the son of Arthur and Elizabeth Allam who lived in Bridge Street. He was one of four brothers who served in the war. His father died from pneumonia aged 43 in 1916. He enlisted from school at Aldershot in the 9th Battalion Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers. However, in the Hants and Berks Gazette in April 1916 on the occasion of his father's funeral, like his brother Arthur, he is recorded as being in the 11th Hussars – this may be in error. He was approximately 19 years of age when he was killed on 29th March, 1918 during the German Somme offensive.

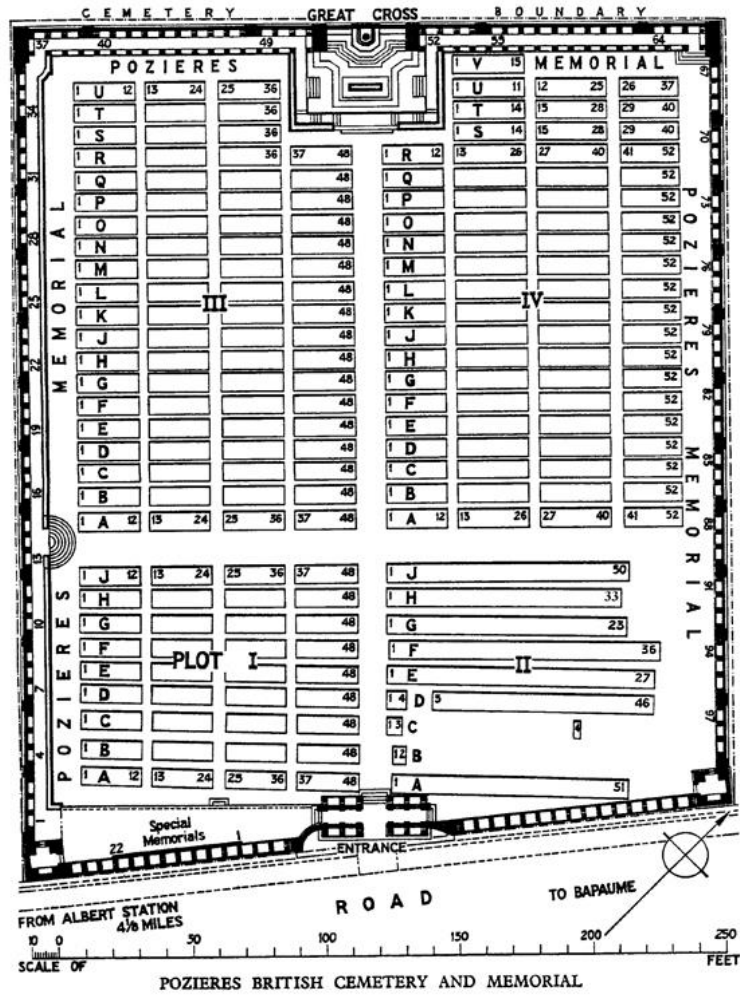
Hants and Berks Gazette, 11 May 1918:

The Casualty Lists – The last offensive of the Germans has, we regret to say, brought grief and sorrow to more than one family in Overton.... Pte. R. Allam, of Bridge Street, who also has three brothers at the Front, has not been heard from since the commencement of the offensive.

He is commemorated on Panel 38 to 40, Pozieres Cemetery which lies near the town of Albert and the River Somme. The German offensive started on 21 March, advanced 40 miles and very nearly broke the British lines. On the day Reginald was killed, the front line passed through the town of Albert. It finally stabilised some 10 miles west of the critical railway junction at Amiens on 5th April. The Regimental War Diary for 23-29 March documents repeated withdrawals under fire.



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Reginald was awarded the Victory and British medals.

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Name.	Corps.	Rank.	Regtl. No.
ALLAM. Reginald	R. Innis. Fus.	Pte.	30759
Medal.	Roll.	Page.	Remarks.
VICTORY	B/102 B	25.1039.	KIA 1918?
BRITISH	-	-	-
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Theatre of War first served in			
Date of entry therein			

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