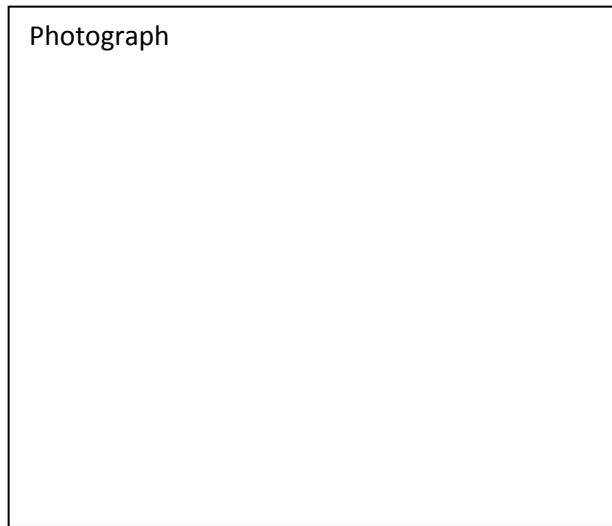


<i>Name</i>	Albert DOWSON
<i>Birth Place</i>	Danby, Yorkshire
<i>Occupation 1911</i>	Farm worker
<i>Date of Birth</i>	Last quarter of 1894
<i>Date Enlisted</i>	September 1914



<i>Parents</i>	George & Mary DOWSON
<i>Married</i>	Gertrude Adelaide Elizabeth HARRIS, from Bugbrooke, 11 th December 1918

Information from National Roll of the Great War

DOWSON, A., Private, Yorkshire Regiment

He volunteered in September 1914, and in the following year was drafted to France. There he took part in much heavy fighting in Ypres, Festubert and Loos sectors, and was wounded in action in September 1915. As a result he was invalided home and on his recovery was transferred to the Labour Corps, engaged in various important duties until his demobilisation in February 1919. He holds the 1914-15 Star and the General Service and Victory Medals.

Bugbrooke, Northants.

Additional Information

Albert, the son of a Yorkshire farmer and one of 15 surviving children, had been working on the family farm before he enlisted in the Yorkshire Regiment as Private 17812. He left for France on 9 September 1915, probably with 10th (Service) Battalion of the Regiment, which had formed at Richmond, Yorkshire, on 30 September 1914 and landed at Boulogne on 10 September 1915. Albert was apparently wounded soon afterwards, prompting his later transfer, after recovery in England, to the Labour Corps, where he was renumbered 543454.

He survived the war and had qualified for the 1914-15 Star, the British War Medal and the Victory Medal.

Albert died on 25 August 1942 in Yorkshire at the early age of 48; his widow died on 9 September 1999, aged 102.