



Private Fred Hayhurst
Lancashire Fusiliers
Service Number 35873
Killed in action 9/4/18
Vielle-Chapelle Military Cemetery
Lacouture 111 C3

Official information has been received by Mrs Hayhurst, of 3 Lathom Street, Bury, that her husband Private Fred Hayhurst, Lancashire Fusiliers was killed in action on 3rd April in France. Writing on the 12th April a comrade had stated that Private Hayhurst was killed by a bullet from a German rifle. Before joining up 20 months ago, Private Hayhurst was an assistant for Mr W. M. Hyslop, draper of Silver Street. He was 30 years of age and his name is on the roll of honour at Chesham Unitarian Church. He was a well-known member of the Bury Tradesman's Cricket Team. He leaves one child. His widow has received the following letter from Captain Bedington. A few words about the unfortunate death of your husband who was killed by wounds sustained in the head from a hand grenade thrown by the enemy. He was killed instantly on 3rd April. I had chosen him as one of my runners as he was always a willing and hard worker, and fearless. I am sure you must feel his loss terribly. He is also missed out here by all the men who knew him. He is also a great personal loss to me, I cannot say how sad I was when I found him lying dead outside my headquarters. He was taken down the line and buried and a cross had been place at the head of his grave. I cannot say how sorry I am for his death.

Private Hayhurst was born in Crawshawbooth