## **Richard Thomas Frost 1879 – 1918**

08.11.1918 Died of pneumonia Daridja, Turkey, believed to be prisoner of war.

Darren Harvey's research: Further research shows the 82nd Bty, was part of 10th Brigade of the 6th Indian (Poona) Division. The division landed in Mesopotamia in Nov 1914 which matches the date on Richard's Medal Roll Card. He was mentioned in dispatches in 1916 for service in Mesopotamia. I've found most of the division was surrounded in the city of Kut which was besieged. Eventually the division surrendered on 29 April 1916.

I believe Richard was here and became a PoW at some time evidenced by his record of effects. PoW's were treated harshly and made to do hard labour. About 70% of all PoWs died in captivity. The work and conditions experienced would have weakened Richard and eventually lead him to succumbing to pneumonia.

Richard died either on the 8th or 11th Nov 1918, but the first British Occupation troops didn't reach Constantinople until 13th Nov 1918. The cemetery in which Richard is buried, Haidar Pasha Cemetery, was used by the Turks to bury PoWs who died.

Haidar Pasha Cemetery, Istanbul Age: 39

Richard was the uncle of Leonard C Hull, who also died in WW1.



Example of a Victory Medal 1914 -18 with Mention in Despatches (British) oak leaf spray

Brother Elkannah in 1929 and nephew Benjamin son of Reuben



5

SiblingsBrid1866 Elizabeth A1881860 Erangia188	essing) 81 5 brothers	<b>1881</b> Quashey Corner, junction Barbrook Lane and Grove Road	<b>10.10.1910</b> marries Daisy Emily Cowdrey in Deesa,	<b>1881 &amp; 1891</b> father agricultural labourer
1871 Reuben1871874 Elkannah James1 si1876 Golden David06.1878 Herbert Harrydied4Q1879 RichardMoThomas1901881 IsaacMa1884 JesseMa1888 AmyTip	other: 01 Layer	<ul> <li>1891 Back Lane Butcher's Cottage, Tolleshunt Knights (nr Tiptree Road)</li> <li>1899-1902 South Africa 2<sup>nd</sup> Boer War</li> <li>1911 India (Nasnabad?)</li> <li>1918 Turkey</li> </ul>	Bombay Later of 20 Mellows Road, Wallington <b>28.08.1912</b> Leslie William Richard Frost born Guildford <b>1920</b> mother died	<b>1918</b> Staff Sergeant Farrier 28261 (RHA & RFA) 82nd Battery RFA.mentioned in despatches Mesopotamia