## James Smith



N°19229 10<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> Battalion Border Regiment James Smith was born on the 8th February 1886 in Newton-le-Willow to James and Elizabeth Smith. He was their 5th of 8 children. His father was a Joiner.

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By 1891 James was aged 5 and a Scholar. He was living with 4 siblings and his parents at 174 Warrington Road, Abram, Lancashire.

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On the 5th October 1907 James aged 21 married Mary Jane Scaddon (19). By this point he was working as a painter – joinery person, possibly with his father and living at 191 Warrington Road (Mary lived at 151)

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Little else is known of James early years.

When war was declared on the 4th August 1914 James was aged 28 and like many would be called to serve.

He was Attestated in to service on the 9<sup>th</sup> January 1915 in Wigan. He was 5 foot 5 inches tall with a sallow complexion, blue eyes and brown hair and noted fit for service. His occupation noted a Painter. He was given the service number 19229 and posted to the Border Regiment joining them at their Depot in Carlisle on the 13<sup>th</sup> January.

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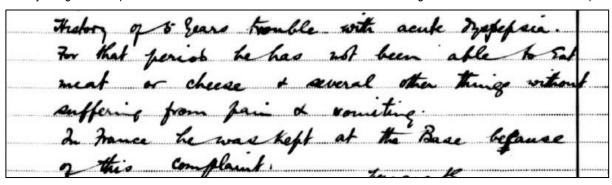
After 7 months, on the 3<sup>rd</sup> August 1915, James was off to France to join the British Expeditionary Force (BEF) on disembarkation he joined No17 Infantry Base Depot (IBD) at Etaples on the 4<sup>th</sup> August 1915.

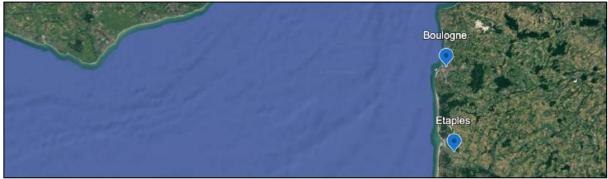
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The same day, the 4th August he was posted to the 7th Battalion Border Regiment. later records show him posted to B Company.

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James had a long standing medical condition which resulted in hem being unable to eat properly. He could not digest meats or dairy along with multiple other foods. His records show this issue was serious enough for him to be held at the base depot.





On the 13th October 1915 James was sent Boulogne for Dental Treatment where he was fitted with 'New Teeth' it is not known how long this took, or where he recovered and for how long. On the 20th November James returned to 17th Infantry Base Depot at Etaples from where his dental recovery had taken place, probably Boulogne. No13 General Hospital at Boulogne specialised in facial injuries including dental.

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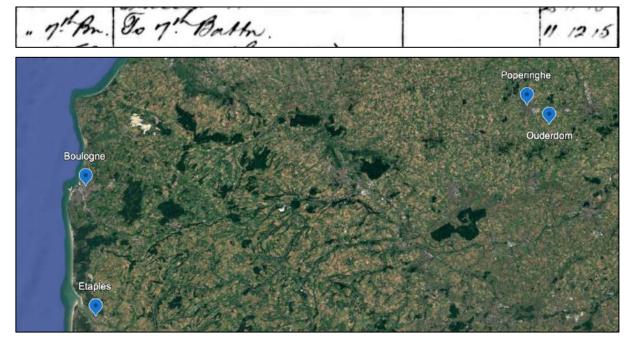
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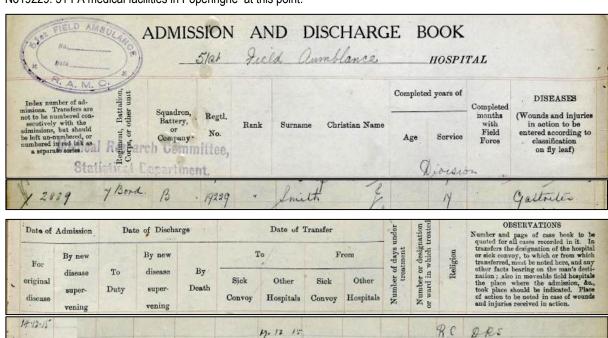
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On the 11th December 1915 James was posted again to the 7th Borders from 17 IBD. This time he left the base depot to join them.

From the  $7^{th}$  to  $11^{th}$  December 1915 the  $7^{th}$  Borders were in billets in Ouderdom and from the  $12^{th}$  in the trenches. James either made it to Ouderdom or was taken sick close by on route.



On the 14th December 1915 James was admitted to No51 Field Ambulance with Gastritis, Noted in B Company 7th Borders No19229. 51 FA medical facilities in Poperinghe at this point.



On the 17th James was moved transferred 51 Field Ambulance to the Divisional Rest Station (DRS) run by 52 Field Ambulance (FA).

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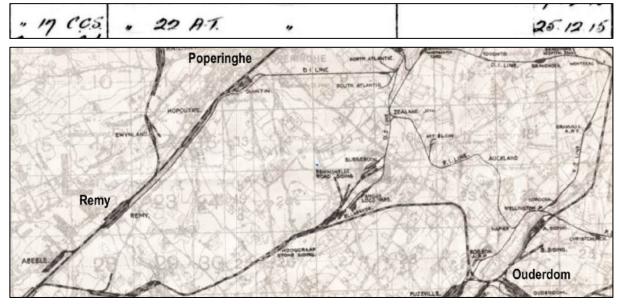
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At some point he was moved to 17 Casualty Clearing Station (CCS) and on Christmas day, the 25th December 1915 he was transferred to No22 Ambulance Train (AT) almost certainly at Remy Siding.



Remy Siding with No10 Casualty Clearing Station (CCS) to the south of the lines and a rest Station opposite to the north of the lines, No 20 and 30 CCS are either side of No10, one of these became No17 CCS.

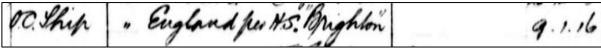


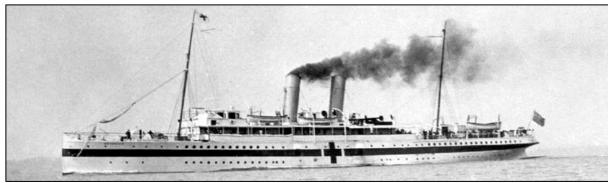
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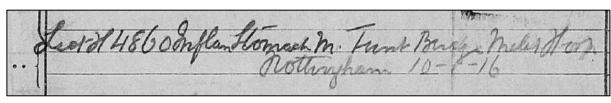
James spent Christmas and new year 1916 in hospital then on the  $9^{th}$  January 1916 he was evacuated back to the UK on the Hospital Ship Brighton.





On the  $10^{th}$  `January 1916 he was posted to the Broder Regiment Depot for administrate purposes and admitted to the Military Hospital at Trent Bridge, Nottingham with Gastritis.

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The hospital was housed in the pavilions of the Trent Bridge Cricket Ground.



There is no record of James treatment from this point, he may have stayed at the hospital in Nottingham. He was before a Medical Board on the 9th March 1916 pending discharge. It found his condition was aggravated by his service.

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In January 1917 James enquired after a Silver War Badge. This was sent to him in April 1917 and was worn on the lapel of his civilian clothing to show medical discharge and avoid calls of cowardice.

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On the 12th September 1917 James was again before a medical board. He was found to have a 5% disability and his disability pension increased to 8 shillings 3 pence a week for him and 5 shillings 3 pence a week for his 5 children. he was also awarded a gratuity of £26 10 shillings.

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On the 30th October 1918 James and Mary had a 6th child, a son James Allen Smith.

James saw the war come to an end on the 11th November 1918 back in the UK, a civilian.

For his war service James received the 1915 Star, British War and Victory Medals.

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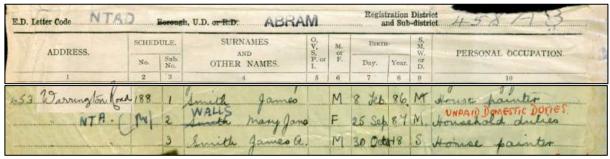
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In the 1921 Census James Mary and their 6 children are living at 99 Warrington road Abram. James is working as a Miner.

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At some point James resumed work as a House painter, his son James joining him, both listed in the 1939 register as House Painters. They and Mary were living at 453 Warrington Road Abram, Lancashire.





James passed away in autumn 1940 being buried on the  $17^{\text{th}}$  September 1914 aged just 54

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