44. Private Robert Nicholas Yeoman, age 35

Robert Nicholas Yeoman, son of Walter and Louisa Yeoman, was the older brother of Walter Yeoman, who had been killed in Gallipolli in 1915. He lived in South Park, Penshurst before moving with the family to Reigate. Prior to the War he worked as a bricklayer.

Robert was born in Rusthall and resident at Reigate when he enlisted at Woolwich. He joined the 1st (City of London) Battalion (Royal Fusiliers) and was posted to the 2/2nd London Regiment.

He died of wounds on 5th July 1918 aged 35, and is buried in Niederzwehren Cemetery, Germany. This suggests that he was a Prisoner of War when he died. It is difficult to ascertain where he was captured, but the timing would suggest that he had formed that part of the 2/2nd battalion which was involved in heavy fighting in the German Operation Michael around Amiens (known, somewhat confusingly, as the First battle of the Somme, 1918) .