REMEMBERING - CHRISTOPHER JOHNSON

Christopher Johnson was born on March 14th 1891 in Scar View, Staveley, near Kendal, Cumbria. Christopher was the first of two sons, born to Thomas and Elizabeth Johnson. (his brother William Henry was born two years later in August 1893).

Christopher was a wood bobbin turner in the family business, working with his father Thomas. The bobbin turner business was started by Christopher's great grandfather John Johnson in 1818 and carried on by his grandfather George in 1838. Bobbin Turning was big business in this part of Cumbria.

Christopher attended School at Stramongate, Kendal. He never married.

In 1914 Christopher joined the Kings Own Royal Lancaster Regiment- 1st Battalion and went on to fight in the First World War in France.

Sadly he was killed in the first year of the war on 15th June 1915. He was only 24!

There is no known grave for Christopher, so he is commemorated on Panel 5, Le Touret Memorial, Bethune, Richebourg Avoue, Pas de Calais, France.

Christopher was awarded the British War Medal and Victory Medal for his services to King and Country.

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