

Macarthur Ballinger

1893-1918

Able Seaman R/1102

Drake Battalion 63rd (Royal Naval) Division

Macarthur Ballinger was the 24 year old son of farmer Edward Dennis Ballinger and his wife, Norfolk-born Rosa May Skinner, from Lodge Farm, Aylburton.

Arthur's mother died when he was only 19 days old, and his father, Edward, married Rosa's cousin, Alice Skinner, in 1895.

He worked on his father's farm before enlisting in the Royal Navy in April 1917.

Arthur was originally with Howe Battalion, a RN infantry unit based in France, from September 1917, but was invalided back to England in February 1918 suffering from trench fever.

Following hospital treatment he was sent back to France, joining Drake Battalion on May 21st 1918.

He was killed in action on 21st August 1918 and is buried at Achiet-le-Grand Communal Cemetery Extension.

In Memory of

Able Seaman

Macarthur Ballinger

R/1102, Drake Bn. R.N. Div., Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve who died on 21 August 1918

Remembered with Honour

Achiet-Le-Grand Communal Cemetery Extension



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