

# **Robert Charles DAVIES**

Private. 2/4th Bn. London Royal Fusiliers

#### At KES:

Robert was born in 1896. His father died and he came to KES in 1908 from his home in Mile End. Described as a good cook and baker, it was quite apt that when he left in 1912 he went to work for a well known chain of grocers, Lipton and Sons.

## Date of Death: 16<sup>th</sup> September 1917

### Place: Belgium

#### Remembered on the Menin Gate Memorial, Ypres

Robert was killed in action and has no known grave. He would have been killed during the Third Battle of Ypres.

The Battle of Passchendaele (or third battle of Ypres) was fought on the Western Front between July and November 1917, for control of the ridges south and east of the town of Ypres, as part of a strategy decided by the Allies at conferences in November 1916 and May 1917.

### **Obituary** Obituary KES Magazine

We regret the loss of another of the younger generation of the Old Boys in the death of Davies. He was one of a working party on the night of September 15<sup>th</sup> when he was killed by a shell. His officer wrote "*He died a brave man doing his duty, and lies one of England's numbered heroes."* 

"Boozy" was quite a popular lad, very keen on all sports and representing 'Edward' in all its competitions. He proved himself quite a first class boy cook whilst with us, and on leaving school continued in that work under different chefs. He had a great love for KES and was never tired of sounding its praise. Our sympathy to his brothers, sisters and relatives.