

Youngest son of Neil and Mary Hogg Thomson of 83e Woodside St, Coatbridge. Alexander had 4 brothers and 1 sister. 1 of his brothers was Private John Thomson of the 1st Battalion Highland Light Infantry who died also of enteric fever on the 17/07/1916 (see index)

Additional Information

Alexander died of enteric fever and acute inflammation of the tonsils aboard the Hospital Ship `Formusa`. Alexander joined the Hood Battalion on the 20/08/1915 and had only recently sent a letter home telling of his first experience in the firing line. Also remembered at the Family Plot in Old Monkland Cemetery (see photos x 3) and in the St Augustines Parish (book) Roll of Honour. See photos for Alexanders Newspaper clippings x 3.



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DEATH OF ABLE SEAMAN THOMSON.

We regret to announce the death of Able Seaman Alexander Thomson, Marshall Terrace, Woodside Street, which took place in an hospital in Alexandria, Egypt on the 22nd September. From the official notification sent by the War Office to his parents it would appear that the lad died of enteric fever. In his last letter to his mother, he tells of his first experience in the firing line at the Dardanelles, and was then quite cheerful, but through some cause or other he contracted fever and was removed to Egypt, where he passed away. Seaman Thomson was one of several lads who enlisted in the Conservative Rooms (Church Street) on the 6th February, and, after being in training at the Crystal Palace for several months, he sailed for the Dardanelles on August 1, and received his baptism of fire on the 20th of that month. He was the youngest son of Mr and Mrs Neil Thomson, Woodside Street. Much sympathy is felt for the parents in the district of Old Monkland and throughout Rosehall Colliery, where they are held in the highest esteem. When young Thomson listed he was working with his father in one of Rosehall pits. He was 19 years of age when he died.

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ABLE SEAMAN ALEX. THOMSON



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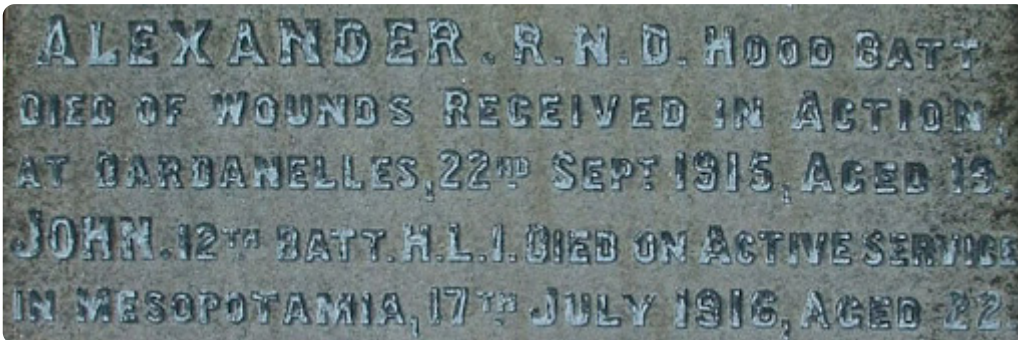
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Grave



Alexanders name on the Family Plot in Old Monkland Cemetery (1)



Alexanders name on the Family Plot in Old Monkland Cemetery (2)



Alexanders name on the Family Plot in Old Monkland Cemetery (3)

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