



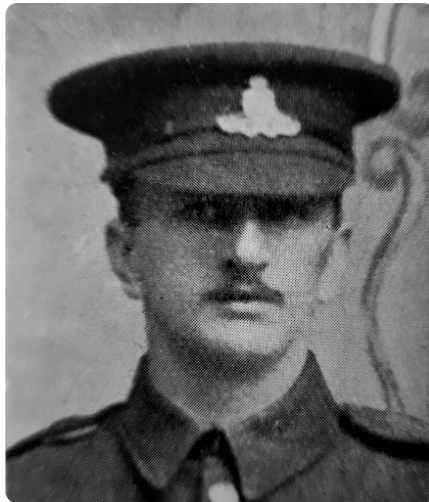
# *In memory of*



## **Bombardier Archibald Rae D.C.M.**

### **Royal Field Artillery Z11th Trench Mortar Battery Service No: 12768**

Killed in Action on the 24/10/1916 during the Battles of the Somme, age 39. Son of Thomas Rae (07/08/1838 - 22/10/1911) previously married on the 21/12/1860 to Isabella Gilchrist Rae (Archibald's mother) and stepmother Christina Sorley Rae (03/07/1844 - 13/12/1921) of 103c Bank St, Coatbridge. Christina was previously married to Alexander Brown (06/08/1863). Archibald was the younger brother of Stoker John Rae of the Royal Navy, H.M.S. "Invincible" who Died on the 31/05/1916 at the Battle of Jutland 5 months before Archibald fell. Archibald had 2 other brothers serving at the time of his death, Thomas with the Gordon Highlanders and William with the Seaforth Highlanders. His younger brother George was a Hairdresser in Coatbridge. There were also 2 grandsons and 2 nephews of Christina serving. Archibald left an undated Will leaving everything to his mother. From the 1891 Census - Address - 26 Brechin's Land, Coatbridge - Thomas Rae aged 52, Christina Rae aged 46, William Rae aged 25, Alexander Rae aged 19, John Rae aged 18, Archibald Rae aged 13, George Rae aged 9. Archibald's Pension was awarded to his stepmother Christina on the 08/05/1917. Employment was Regular Soldier.



Buried/remembered at Auchonvillers Military Cemetery (II. I. 20), Somme, France.

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