GEORGE WALKER

Service No: 6/3910

Rank: L/ Corporal

Regiment: NZEF

Unit: 9th Reinforcements, Canterbury Infantry Battalion,

"C"Company

Date of Death: 1st October 1916

Age: 29

Casualty Type: Died of Wounds

Grave: Caterpillar Valley, Belgium

George was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Walker of Otiake, North Otago, born on the 9th April 1887. He attended the Otiake School where he was admitted on the 30th October 1893. Upon leaving on the 16 March 1897, he was recorded as going to work at home.

He enlisted 20th October 1915 and at that time he stated he was a motor mechanic.

He embarked8th January 1916 aboard the HMNZT "Maunganui" bound for Suez and disembarked there on the 8th February 1916 and joined the 2nd Battalion CIR, Moascar a month later.

On the 7th April,1916 George left Egypt for France.

He was admitted to No 8 Casualty Clearing Station on the 27th of July 1916 suffering from deafness and was discharged back to duty in the field on the 3rd August 1916, rejoining his Battalion two days later.

On the 26th September 1916 George was promoted to Lance Corporal (Lewis Gun Section).

George was wounded and died from these wounds on the 1st October 1916

He is remembered on the Caterpillar Valley (NZ) Memorial, Longueval, Somme, France, Fairlie War Memorial, and the Memorial Wall in Timaru.