In Memory of

Second Lieutenant

Harris Hartas Anson

5th Bn., Duke of Wellington's (West Riding Regiment)

who died on 30th August 1918, Age 28

Son of Harris Anson, JP, of Greystones, Hambleton



Remembered with Honour

Vis-En-Artois British Cemetery Haucourt Pas De Calais France

Grave Reference: I. A. 13.



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ROYAL GARRISON ARTILLERY
MD SEPTEMBER 1918 AGE 22
IN THE PERFECT FLOWER
OF A GLORIOUS MANHOOD
HE GAVE HIS LIFE FOR US

SECOND LIEUTENANT
H.H.ANSON
DUKE OF WELLINGTON'S REGT.
30TH AUGUST 1918

This window appears in St Mary's Church, Hambleton and is dedicated to Harris Hartas Anson, a native of Hambleton whose family owned and operated a business from a factory in Station Road (more recently owned by the Campey Haulage business and now replaced by the Redrow estate). The family home was Greystones on Chapel Street.

2nd Lieut. Anson served in the Duke of Wellington's Yorkshire Regiment and saw active service on the Somme battlefield in northern France. He died on 30 August 1918, just a few weeks before hostilities ended. He was 27 years old.

His name appears alongside the other Hambleton men killed in the First World War on the war memorial which is situated on the north wall of the church. An identical memorial is situated in the Methodist Chapel.

He is buried in the Haucourt British Cemetery which is situated on the road between Arras and Cambrai, France, and contains 2369 burials, of which 55 were identified as serving with the Duke of Wellington's Regiment. His headstone is shared by another soldier, which is very unusual on Commonwealth headstones (see photograph). It is a typical Commonwealth War Graves Commission cemetery, immaculately set out and maintained, and very tranquil.

