

## Private Thomas Hutchins

3/4418, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion Hampshire Regiment



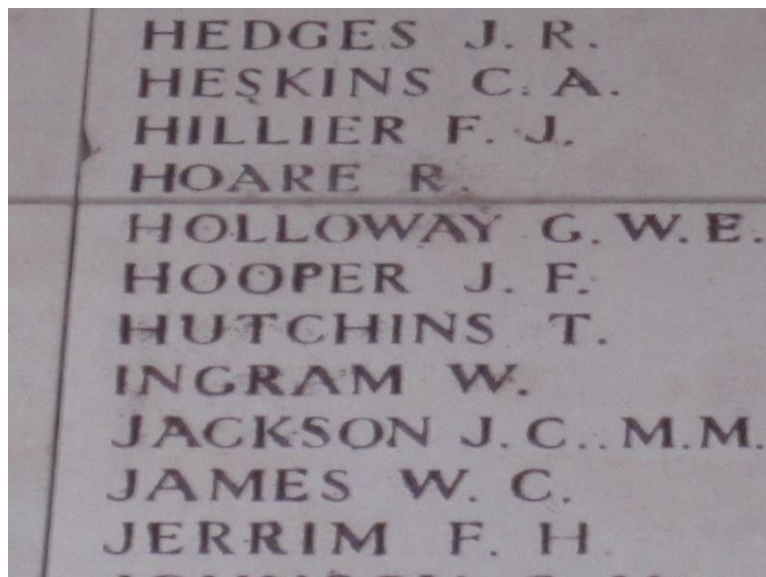
Thomas Hutchins was born in 1868. In 1881 he was living at the High Street with his parents Thomas (the initial F on the Commonwealth War Graves Commission certificate is a mis-reading) and Charlotte, and his younger siblings, Rosie aged 7 and Arthur aged 4. He was recorded as being a Farm Servant. By 1891, he was no longer living with his parents, and he joined the army in London.

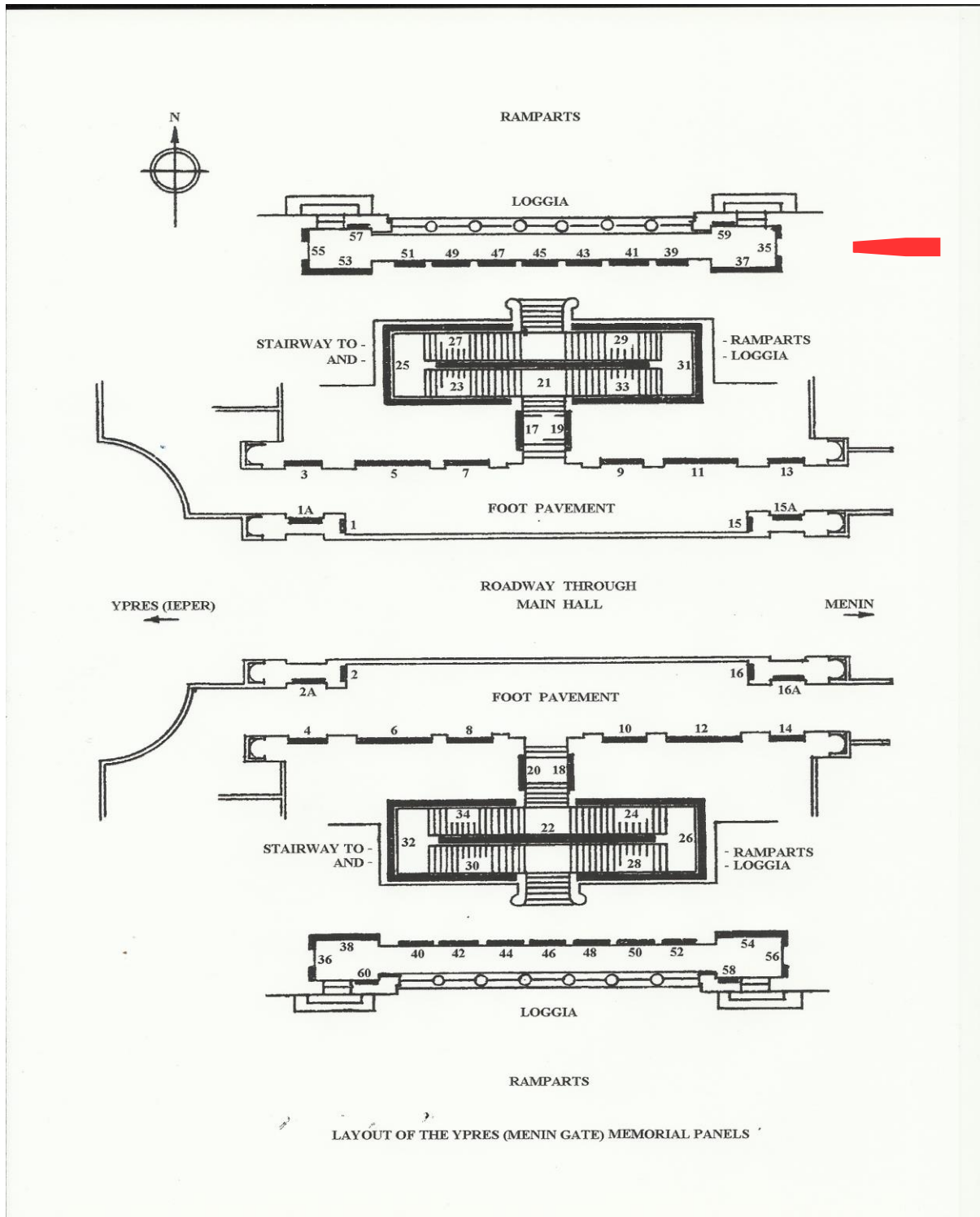
On the 15<sup>th</sup> May 1915, the Hants & Berks Gazette reported:

*“Private T Hutchins badly wounded in Flanders....”*

In fact he had been killed in action and the document recording his outstanding pay of £8 3s 3d on 4<sup>th</sup> August 1916 notes “on or since 27/4/15 death presumed”. Either his body was never found, or could not be identified. The War Diaries show the Battalion near Verlorenhoer on 27<sup>th</sup> April. His War Gratuity of £3 was paid on 28<sup>th</sup> August 1919 to his sister, Mrs. Rose H. Trenchard.

He is remembered on Panel 35 of the Menin Gate Memorial in Ypres, Belgium.





Panel 35 is arrowed on the plan of the Memorial.

Thomas Hutchins



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Name.	Corps.	Rank.	Regtl. No.
HUTCHINS	1 Hamps R	Pte	3/44/18
Thomas			
Medal.	Roll.	Page.	Remarks.
VICTORY	C/1/103/15	1515	
BRITISH	do.	do.	
14 STAR	E/1/1	54	K in A
22/2/2765.			
Theatre of War first served in			
Date of entry therein 12-11-14.			

K. 1380.

Thomas was awarded the Victory and British medals and the 1914 Star.

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