

# World War 1 - Upper Hopton Village



## Gilbert Hill

**Rank: Lance Corporal**

**Killed in Action: 24th April 1918 (France & Flanders)**

**6th Bn. Kings Own Yorkshire Light  
Infantry**



### Summary

Gilbert Hill's family home was Middlegate, Hightown, Liversedge where he lived with his parents James Henry Laws Stocks and Elizabeth Hill. His previous family home was Northrop, Mirfield and before that his mother lived at Cockley Hill.

His occupation was as a Teamer for an Ironmonger.

Gilbert is not commemorated on the St John's Church memorial but his family had strong links with Upper Hopton and his parents and grandparents all have graves in St John's churchyard. His father's grave (James Henry Law Stocks) has a commemoration to his son Gilbert Hill, in St John's churchyard Upper Hopton

Gilbert was killed in action in April 1918 (age 22) whilst serving on the Western Front with the Kings Own Yorkshire Light Infantry.

Gilbert is remembered at the Pozieres Memorial, Somme, France. The POZIERES MEMORIAL relates to the period of crisis in March and April 1918 when the Allied Fifth Army was driven back by overwhelming German numbers across the former Somme battlefields, and the months that followed before the Advance to Victory, which began on 8th August 1918.

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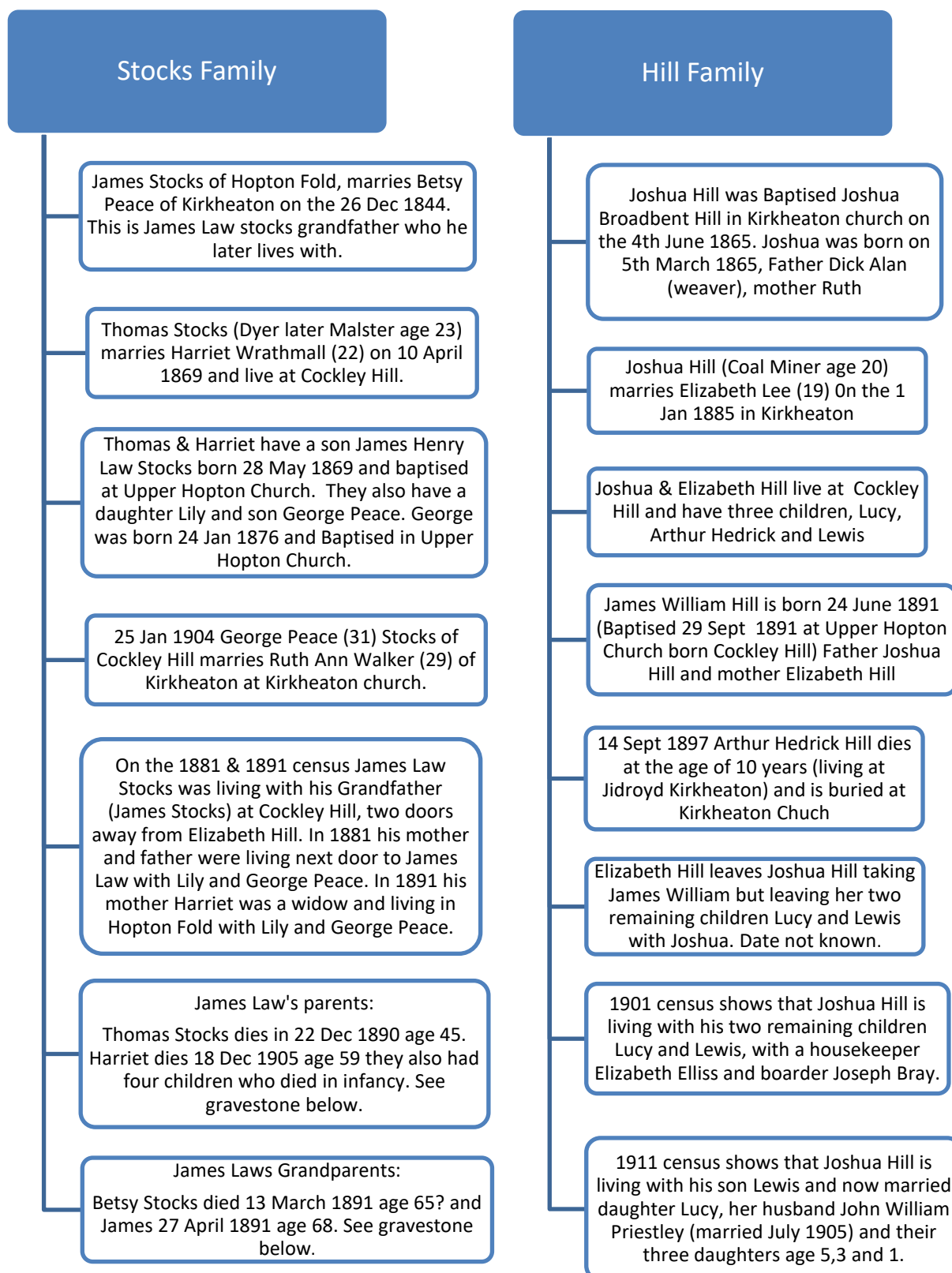
### Family details

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| Date of Birth       | 24th September 1895  |
| Date of Baptism     | 6th November 1895  |
| Church Baptised     | Mirfield   |
| Father              | James Henry Laws Stocks<br>(Baptised St John's Upper Hopton)   |
| Father's occupation | Maltster   |
| Mother              | Elizabeth Hill   |
| Siblings            | Lucy Hill, Arthur Hedrick Hill (dies age 10), Lewis Hill,<br>James William Hill (father Joshua, mother Elizabeth).<br>Albyn Hill (father James Henry Laws Stocks, mother<br>Elizabeth Hill)<br>Stepsister Bertha Hinchcliffe (mother Bertha Ann<br>Stocks) |
| Parents residence   | Middlegate, Hightown, Liversedge   |
| Soldiers residence  | As above.  |
| Soldiers Occupation | Teamer for ironmonger (age 15)   |
| Married             |  |
| Spouse              |  |
| Children            |  |
| Burial / Memorial   | Poizieres Memorial , Somme, France   |
| Age at death        | 22   |

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James Law Stocks and Elizabeth Hill

James Willie is taken with his mother to live with James Henry Law Stocks but she leaves Lucy and Lewis behind with Joshua Hill. (Do not know the exact date when Elizabeth leaves Joshua)

The 1901 census shows that James Henry Law Stocks and Elizabeth Hill (housekeeper) live together at Dunbottle Lane, Northorpe.

James Henry Law & Elizabeth have two sons Gilbert Hill and Albyn Hill, both are baptised in Mirfield and their birthplace given as Northorpe. The fathers name of Law is crossed out in the baptism register for Gilbert and counter signed by the vicar. Gilbert's surname is simply Hill whereas Albyn's birth registration shows his surname as Stocks Hill.

Elizabeth Hill dies in 1903. Sons James William is 11, Gilbert 7 and Albyn is 5.

On the 10 Jan 1904 James Law Stocks (age 35) marries Bertha Ann Hinchliffe (32) in Battyford. A 1901 census shows that Bertha Hinchliffe was a widow and a housekeeper for William Burton at Wombwell near Barnsley.

The 1911 census shows the following living at Middlegate, Hightown, Liversedge: James Henry Stocks, Bertha Ann Stocks, James William Hill, Gilbert Hill, Bertha Hinchliffe (Bertha Ann's daughter born in Barnsley) and Albyn Hill.

8 Nov 1913 James William Hill (age 22) marries Rose Ann Hammond (20). On the marriage certificate James's father is shown as Joshua Hill.

Gilbert Hill was killed in action in France and Flanders on the 24 April 1918 age 22 (Poziers Memorial) when serving with the 6th Bn. Kings Own Yorkshire Light Infantry.

Albyn Hill dies on 28 Feb 1925 age 28 and is buried in Upper Hopton. In his will Albyn leaves £110 to George Peace Stocks who is the brother of his father James Henry Law Stocks.

James Henry Stocks dies age 53 (living in Roberttown) and is buried 30 Jan 1923 in Upper Hopton cemetery. Bertha Henry Stocks and Albyn Hill are also buried in Upper Hopton Cemetery with a commemoration on the gravestone for Gilbert Hill who dies in France in 1918.

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Marriage certificate 1st January 1885 - Parish Church, Kirkheaton  
Joshua Hill to Elizabeth Lee

between us, *Joshua Hill and Elizabeth Lee*

1885. Marriage solemnized at *The Parish Church* in the Parish of *Kirkheaton* in the County of *York*

| No. | When Married.                   | Name and Surname.                          | Age.                   | Condition.                         | Rank or Profession. | Residence at the time of Marriage.   | Father's Name and Surname.            | Rank or Profession of Father. |
|-----|---------------------------------|--|------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 326 | <i>1 January</i><br><i>1885</i> | <i>Joshua Hill</i><br><i>Elizabeth Lee</i> | <i>20</i><br><i>19</i> | <i>Bachelor</i><br><i>Spinster</i> | <i>Coal Miner</i>   | <i>Belle y</i><br><i>this Parish</i> | <i>Richard Hill</i><br><i>Job Lee</i> | <i>Weaver</i><br><i>Mason</i> |

Married in the *Parish Church* according to the Rites and Ceremonies of the Established Church, by *Thomas Roebuck* or after *None* by me, *Ralph W. Wadsworth*

This Marriage was solemnized between us, *Joshua Hill* *Elizabeth Lee* in the Presence of us, *Thomas Roebuck* *James Smalley*

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### Joshua Hill & Elizabeth Hill - Census 1891

The census shows that James Henry Law Stocks was living at Cockley Hill two doors away from Elizabeth Hill with his grandfather.

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The undermentioned Houses are situate within the Boundaries of the

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Elizabeth Hill living with James Henry Law Stocks at 82 Dunbottle Lane, Northorpe - Census 1901  
(James William 9, Gilbert 5, Albyn 3)

| Administrative County            |  | Civil Parish |                       | Ecclesiastical Parish           |                            | County Borough, Municipal Borough, or Urban District |                          | Ward of Municipal Borough or of Urban District |                    | Parliamentary Borough or Division |   | Census of Villages or Hamlets |  |
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| York                             |  | Northorpe    |                       | St Mary the Virgin              |                            | Northorpe  |                          | Northorpe                                      |                    | Northorpe                         |   | Northorpe                     |  |
| House No.                        | ROAD, STREET, &c. and No. or NAME of HOUSE | Uninhabited  | Number of Inhabitants | Name and Surname of each Person | RELATION to Head of Family | Age last Birthday                                    | PROFESSION OR OCCUPATION | Employer, Worker, or Own account               | If Working at Home | WHERE BORN                        | (1) Dead and Dumb<br>(2) Blind<br>(3) Lame<br>(4) Imbecile, feeble-minded |                               |  |
| 82                               | Dunbottle Lane                             | 1            | 5                     | Law Stocks                      | Head                       | 31   | Labourer                 | Worker   |                    | York Northorpe                    |   |                               |  |
|                                  |  |              |                       | Elizabeth Hill                  | Wife                       | 38   |                          |  |                    | " Bradford                        |   |                               |  |
|                                  |  |              |                       | James N. L.                     | Son                        | 9  |                          |  |                    | " Northorpe                       |   |                               |  |
|                                  |  |              |                       | Gilbert                         | Son                        | 5  |                          |  |                    | " Northorpe                       |   |                               |  |
|                                  |  |              |                       | Albyn S.                        | Son                        | 3  |                          |  |                    | " Northorpe                       |   |                               |  |
| 83                               | Gannet Lane                                | 1            | 4                     | Sam Schofield                   | Head                       | 68   | Retired                  |  |                    | York Northorpe                    |   |                               |  |
| 84                               |  | 1            | 4                     | Law Littlewood                  | Head                       | 46   | Writer                   | Worker   |                    | " Rotherham                       |   |                               |  |
| 85                               |  | 1            | 5                     | Charlie Taylor                  | Head                       | 32   | Labourer                 | Worker   |                    | " Scholes                         |   |                               |  |
|                                  |  |              |                       | Annie                           | Wife                       | 37   |                          |  |                    | " Thapfield                       |   |                               |  |
|                                  |  |              |                       | Grace E. L.                     | Son                        | 5  |                          |  |                    | " "                               |   |                               |  |
| 86                               |  | 1            | 4                     | Sarah Birt                      | Head                       | 42   |                          |  |                    | " "                               |   |                               |  |
|                                  |  |              |                       | Clifford                        | Son                        | 9  |                          |  |                    | " "                               |   |                               |  |
| 87                               |  | 1            | 4                     | James S. Fisher                 | Head                       | 30   | Labourer                 | Worker   |                    | " Northorpe                       |   |                               |  |
|                                  |  |              |                       | Annie                           | Wife                       | 25   |                          |  |                    | " "                               |   |                               |  |
| 88                               |  | 1            | 5                     | Albert Wildman                  | Head                       | 43   | Labourer                 | Worker   |                    | " Batley                          |   |                               |  |
|                                  |  |              |                       | Mary                            | Wife                       | 41   |                          |  |                    | " Northorpe                       |   |                               |  |
|                                  |  |              |                       | Allen                           | Son                        | 21   | Labourer                 | Worker   |                    | " "                               |   |                               |  |
|                                  |  |              |                       | John A.                         | Son                        | 14   | Commercial Clerk         |  |                    | " "                               |   |                               |  |
|                                  |  |              |                       | Ben                             | Son                        | 17   | Labourer                 | Worker   |                    | " "                               |   |                               |  |
|                                  |  |              |                       | Louisa                          | Son                        | 15   |                          |  |                    | " "                               |   |                               |  |
|                                  |  |              |                       | Nora                            | Son                        | 12   |                          |  |                    | " "                               |   |                               |  |
|                                  |  |              |                       | Henry                           | Son                        | 10   |                          |  |                    | " "                               |   |                               |  |
| Total of Males and of Females... |  |              |                       |                                 |                            | 114  | 10                       |  |                    |                                   |   |                               |  |

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## Gilbert Hill

Joshua Hill living with his children Lucy (15) and Lewis (11) at 40 Jidroyd, Kirkheaton - Census 1901

| Administrative County  |                                     | Civil Parish |                  | Ecclesiastical Parish           |                            | County Borough, Municipal Borough, or Urban District |                          | Ward of Municipal Borough or of Urban District |                    | Rural District   |   | Parliamentary Borough or Division |  | Town or Village or Hamlet |  | Page |
|--|-------------------------------------|--------------|------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------|--|--------------------------|--|--------------------|------------------|---|-----------------------------------|--|---------------------------|--|------|
| Yorkshire West Riding  |                                     | Kirkheaton   |                  | Kirkheaton                      |                            | County Borough of Leeds                              |                          | Kirkheaton                                     |                    | Kirkheaton       |   | Kirkheaton                        |  | Kirkheaton                |  | 127  |
| Household No.  | ROAD, STREET, No. and No. of HOUSES | Uninhabited  | Number of Houses | Name and Surname of each Person | RELATION to Head of Family | Age last Birthday                                    | PROFESSION OR OCCUPATION | Employer, Worker, or Own account               | If Working at Home | WHERE BORN       | (1) Deaf and Dumb<br>(2) Blind<br>(3) Lame<br>(4) Infirm, Feeble-minded |                                   |  |                           |  |      |
| 36   | Calverley                           | 1            |                  | John Broadhead                  | Head                       | M 34   | Black & White Labour     | worker   |                    | Kirkheaton Yorks |   |                                   |  |                           |  |      |
|  |                                     |              |                  | John Broadhead                  | wife                       | M 24   |                          |  |                    | "                |   |                                   |  |                           |  |      |
|  |                                     |              |                  | John Broadhead                  | son                        | M 6  |                          |  |                    | "                |   |                                   |  |                           |  |      |
|  |                                     |              |                  | John Broadhead                  | son                        | M 4  |                          |  |                    | "                |   |                                   |  |                           |  |      |
|  |                                     |              |                  | John Broadhead                  | son                        | M 1  |                          |  |                    | "                |   |                                   |  |                           |  |      |
| 37   | "                                   | 1            |                  | Thomas Handliff                 | Head                       | M 44   | Coal Miner               | Carman   |                    | Kirkheaton Yorks |   |                                   |  |                           |  |      |
|  |                                     |              |                  | John Handliff                   | wife                       | M 37   |                          |  |                    | "                |   |                                   |  |                           |  |      |
|  |                                     |              |                  | John Handliff                   | son                        | M 21   | Coal Miner               | Carman   |                    | Kirkheaton Yorks |   |                                   |  |                           |  |      |
|  |                                     |              |                  | John Handliff                   | son                        | M 20   | Coal Miner               | Carman   |                    | "                |   |                                   |  |                           |  |      |
|  |                                     |              |                  | John Handliff                   | son                        | M 17   | Coal Miner               | Carman   |                    | "                |   |                                   |  |                           |  |      |
|  |                                     |              |                  | John Handliff                   | son                        | M 16   |                          |  |                    | "                |   |                                   |  |                           |  |      |
| 38   | "                                   | 1            |                  | John Handliff                   | Head                       | M 27   | Coal Miner               | Carman   |                    | Kirkheaton Yorks |   |                                   |  |                           |  |      |
|  |                                     |              |                  | John Handliff                   | wife                       | M 37   |                          |  |                    | "                |   |                                   |  |                           |  |      |
|  |                                     |              |                  | John Handliff                   | son                        | M 49   | Coal Miner               | Carman   |                    | "                |   |                                   |  |                           |  |      |
| 39   | "                                   | 1            |                  | Martha Handliff                 | Head                       | M 56   |                          |  |                    | Kirkheaton Yorks |   |                                   |  |                           |  |      |
| 40   | "                                   | 1            |                  | Joshua Hill                     | Head                       | M 36   | Coal Miner               | Carman   |                    | Kirkheaton Yorks |   |                                   |  |                           |  |      |
|  |                                     |              |                  | Lucy Hill                       | Daughter                   | F 15   |                          |  |                    | "                |   |                                   |  |                           |  |      |
|  |                                     |              |                  | Lewis Hill                      | Son                        | M 11   |                          |  |                    | "                |   |                                   |  |                           |  |      |
|  |                                     |              |                  | Elizabeth Hill                  | Daughter                   | F 7  |                          |  |                    | "                |   |                                   |  |                           |  |      |
|  |                                     |              |                  | Joseph Hill                     | Son                        | M 27   | Coal Miner               | Carman   |                    | Kirkheaton Yorks |   |                                   |  |                           |  |      |
| Total of Schedule of Houses and of Tenements with less than Five Rooms |                                     | 440          |                  | Total of Males and of Females   |                            | 69   | 64                       |  |                    |                  |   |                                   |  |                           |  |      |

NOTE—Draw your pen through such words of the headings as are inapplicable.



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### Gilbert Hill

In 1901 Joshua was living at Jidroyd Kirkheaton with his remaining children Lucy and Lewis. The photograph of Jidroyd below is dated 1910.



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## Gilbert Hill

Marriage certificate 10th January 1904 - Christ the King, Battysford  
James Henry Law Stocks to Bertha Ann Hinchcliffe

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| 1904. Marriage solemnized at <u>CHRIST Church</u> in the <u>Powder</u><br>of <u>Battysford</u> in the County of <u>York</u>  |                   |                         |      |            |                     |                                    |                            |                               |
|--|-------------------|-------------------------|------|------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Columns.   | 1                 | 2                       | 3    | 4          | 5                   | 6                                  | 7                          | 8                             |
| No.  | When Married.     | Name and Surname.       | Age. | Condition. | Rank or Profession. | Residence at the time of Marriage. | Father's Name and Surname. | Rank or Profession of Father. |
| 1  | 10th January 1904 | James Law Stocks.       | 35   | Bachelor.  | Master.             | Wellington Buildings               | Tom Stocks.                | Master.                       |
|  |                   | Bertha Ann Hinchcliffe. | 32   | Widow.     | —                   | Wellington Buildings.              | Arthur Dale.               | Station-master.               |
| Married in the <u>CHRIST Church</u> according to the Rites and Ceremonies of the <u>Established Church</u> by <u>Allen Blackburn</u> or after <u>Banns</u> by me.<br>This Marriage was solemnized between us, <u>James Law Stocks</u> in the Presence of us, <u>Charles S. Newell</u><br><u>Bertha Ann Hinchcliffe</u> <u>John &amp; Melinda Blackburn</u> Curate. |                   |                         |      |            |                     |                                    |                            |                               |



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## Gilbert Hill

Stocks family living at Middlegate, Hightown, Liversedge -  
Census 1911

Children: James William Hill (19), Gilbert Hill (15), Bertha Hinchcliffe (15),  
Albyn Hill (13).

| CENSUS OF ENGLAND AND WALES, 1911.   |   |  |   |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|--|---|--|---|--|--|--|--|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Before writing on this Schedule please read the Examples and the Instructions given on the other side of the paper, as well as the headings of the Columns. The entries should be written in Ink.  |   |  |   |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| The contents of the Schedule will be treated as confidential. Strict care will be taken that no information is disclosed with regard to individual persons. The returns are not to be used for proof of age, as in connection with Old Age Pensions, or for any other purpose than the preparation of Statistical Tables.  |   |  |   |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| NAME AND SURNAME   | RELATIONSHIP to Head of Family  | AGE (last Birthday) and SEX  | PARTICULARS as to MARRIAGE  |  |  |  | PROFESSION or OCCUPATION of Persons aged ten years and upwards |   |  |  | BIRTHPLACE of every person   | NATIONALITY of every Person born in a Foreign Country  | INFIRMITY  |  |  |  |
| of every Person, whether Member of Family, Visitor, Boarder, or Servant, who   |   |  |   |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| (1) passed the night of Sunday, April 2nd, 1911, in this dwelling and was alive at midnight, or  | State whether "Head," or "Wife," or "Son," or "Daughter," or "Visitor," or "Boarder," or "Servant." | For Infants under one year state the age in months as "under one month," "one month," etc. | Write "Single," "Married," "Widower," or "Widow," opposite the name of all persons aged 15 years and upwards. | State, for each Married Woman named on this Schedule, the number of—                           | Children born alive in present Marriage. (If no children born alive write "None" in Column 7.)   | Children born alive in previous Marriage. (If any children born alive write "None" in Column 7.) | Children who have died.  | Personal Occupation.                                | Industry or Service with which worker is connected.    | Whether Employee, "Worker," or Working on Own Account. | Whether Working at Home.   | (1) If born in the United Kingdom, write the name of the County, and Town or Parish.   | (2) If born in any other part of the British Empire, write the name of the Dependency, Colony, etc., and of the Province or State. | (3) If born in a Foreign Country, write the name of the Country. | (4) If born at sea, write "At Sea."  | State whether— (1) "British subject by parentage," (2) "Naturalized British subject," giving year of naturalization. Or (3) If of foreign nationality, state whether "French," "German," "Russian," etc. If any person included in this Schedule is— (1) "Totally Blind," or "Deaf and Dumb," (2) "Lunatic," (3) "Insane," or "Feeble-minded," state the infirmity opposite that person's name, and the age at which he or she became afflicted. |
| (2) arrived in this dwelling on the morning of Monday, April 3rd, not having been enumerated elsewhere. No one else must be included. (For order of entering names see Examples on back of Schedule.)  |   | Age of Male. Age of Female.  | Write "Single," "Married," "Widower," or "Widow," opposite the name of all persons aged 15 years and upwards. | Children born alive in present Marriage. (If no children born alive write "None" in Column 7.) | Children born alive in previous Marriage. (If any children born alive write "None" in Column 7.) | Children who have died.  | Personal Occupation.   | Industry or Service with which worker is connected. | Whether Employee, "Worker," or Working on Own Account. | Whether Working at Home.                               | (1) If born in the United Kingdom, write the name of the County, and Town or Parish. | (2) If born in any other part of the British Empire, write the name of the Dependency, Colony, etc., and of the Province or State. | (3) If born in a Foreign Country, write the name of the Country.   | (4) If born at sea, write "At Sea."                              | State whether— (1) "British subject by parentage," (2) "Naturalized British subject," giving year of naturalization. Or (3) If of foreign nationality, state whether "French," "German," "Russian," etc. If any person included in this Schedule is— (1) "Totally Blind," or "Deaf and Dumb," (2) "Lunatic," (3) "Insane," or "Feeble-minded," state the infirmity opposite that person's name, and the age at which he or she became afflicted. |  |
| James Henry Stocks   | Head  | 42   | Married   | 7  | 4  | 4  | Malster  | 937   | Malster  | 0  | Kirkstall  | 010  | —  | —  | —  |  |
| Bertha Ann Stocks  | Wife  | 40   | Married   | 7  | 4  | 4  | Malster  | 937   | Malster  | 0  | Kirkstall  | 010  | —  | —  | —  |  |
| James William Hill   | Son   | 19   | Single  | —  | —  | —  | Malster  | 937   | Malster  | 0  | Kirkstall  | 010  | —  | —  | —  |  |
| Gilbert Hill   | Son   | 15   | —   | —  | —  | —  | Malster  | 937   | Malster  | 0  | Kirkstall  | 010  | —  | —  | —  |  |
| Bertha Hinchcliffe   | Daughter  | 15   | —   | —  | —  | —  | At Home  | —   | —  | —  | —  | —  | —  | —  | —  |  |
| Albyn Hill   | Son   | 13   | —   | —  | —  | —  | At School  | 290   | —  | 0  | —  | —  | —  | —  | —  |  |
| (To be filled up by the Enumerator.)   |   |  |   |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| (To be filled up by, or on behalf of the Head of Family or other person in occupation, or in charge, of this dwelling.)  |   |  |   |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| I certify that— (1) All the ages on this Schedule are correct in the present set returns. (2) I have examined the whole and found it correct in Columns 2, 3, and 4 separately, and have corrected there any error in the third column of figures. (3) After making the necessary corrections I have completed all figures on the Schedule which appeared to be defective, and have marked such as appeared to be incorrect. |   |  |   |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| I declare that this Schedule is correctly filled up to the best of my knowledge and belief.  |   |  |   |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Signature: James Henry Stocks  |   |  |   |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Postal Address: Middlegate Hightown  |   |  |   |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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## Gilbert Hill

### Military Details

Attestation / Enlistment

Deployment 13th October 1915 deployed in France

Rank Lance Corporal

Medals 1914-1915 Star  
British War Medal  
Victory Medal

Regiment number 3/2022

Regiment 6th Bn. Kings Own Yorkshire Light  
Infantry

Regimental Badge



Killed in Action 24th April 1918 (France & Flanders)

Cemetery or Memorial Pozieres Memorial , Somme, France

Age at death 22

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## Gilbert Hill

### **6th (Service) Battalion - Kings Own Yorkshire Light Infantry**

The 6th (Service) Battalion, Kings Own Yorkshire Light Infantry was raised at Pontefract on the 12th of August 1914 as part of Kitchener's First New Army and joined 43rd Brigade in 14th (Light) Division. They trained at Woking, moving to Witley in November 1914 for the winter, then moving to Aldershot in February 1915 for final training.

They proceeded to France on the 21st of May 1915 landing at Boulogne. They fought in the The Action of Hooge, being the first division to be attacked by flamethrowers. They were in action in The Second Attack on Bellewaarde. In 1916 they were on the Somme seeing action in The Battle of Delville Wood and The Battle of Flers-Courcelette.

In 1917 they fought in The German retreat to the Hindenburg Line, The First and Third Battle of the Scarpe at Arras, The Battle of Langemark and The First and Second Battle of Passchendaele. On the 19th of February 1918 the 6th KOYLI were disbanded in France as the army was reorganised.

### **Cap Badge**

The badge of the KOYLI is unique amongst English light infantry regiments as the horn is of the 'French' type (with a twist). The origins of this are obscure. It appears to have been adopted after Waterloo, however before this the 105th had an 'English' style Bugle horn with a loop. In its centre is the White Rose of York, linking to the regiment's home in Yorkshire. Unusual amongst British Army regiments, the badge lacks a crown. It was also the smallest cap badge used in the British Army.



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## Gilbert Hill

### Gilbert's Medal Card

|   |             |      |          |                                 |              |                                  |  |
|---|-------------|------|----------|---------------------------------|--------------|----------------------------------|--|
| 51 Campaign :—                                    |             |      |          | 1914-15.                        |              | (A) Where decoration was earned. |  |
|   |             |      |          |                                 |              | (B) Present situation.           |  |
| Name  | Corps       | Rank | Reg. No. | Roll on which included (if any) |              |                                  |  |
| (A) HILL  | York & L.I. | Pte  | 3/2022   | MEDAL                           | ROLL         | PAC                              |  |
| (B) Gilbert                                       | —           | —    | —        | VICTORY                         | 0/2/103 B2.  | 2/13.                            |  |
|   |             |      |          | BRITISH                         | 0/2/2 B 247. | 0/2/2 B 247.                     |  |
| Action taken                                      |             |      |          | Kia A                           |              |                                  |  |
| THEATRE OF WAR.                                   |             |      |          | (1) France                      |              |                                  |  |
| QUALIFYING DATE.                                  |             |      |          | 13-10-15                        |              |                                  |  |
| (6 34 46) W234—HP5590 500,000 4/19 HWV(P240) K608 |             |      |          | [OVER.                          |              |                                  |  |

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# Gilbert Hill

## Gilbert's Medals



**1914 - 1915 Star**



**British War Medal**



**Victory Medal**

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## Gilbert Hill

In Memory of  
Lance Corporal  
**Gilbert Hill**

3/2022, 6th Bn., King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry who died on 24 April 1918

Remembered with Honour  
**Pozieres Memorial**



Commemorated in perpetuity by  
the Commonwealth War Graves Commission

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## Gilbert Hill

### Pozieres Memorial

The POZIERES MEMORIAL relates to the period of crisis in March and April 1918 when the Allied Fifth Army was driven back by overwhelming numbers across the former Somme battlefields, and the months that followed before the Advance to Victory, which began on 8 August 1918.

The Memorial commemorates over 14,000 casualties of the United Kingdom and 300 of the South African Forces who have no known grave and who died on the Somme from 21 March to 7 August 1918.

The memorial encloses POZIERES BRITISH CEMETERY, Plot II of which contains original burials of 1916, 1917 and 1918, carried out by fighting units and field ambulances. The remaining plots were made after the Armistice when graves were brought in from the battlefields immediately surrounding the cemetery, the majority of them of soldiers who died in the Autumn of 1916 during the latter stages of the Battle of the Somme, but a few represent the fighting in August 1918.



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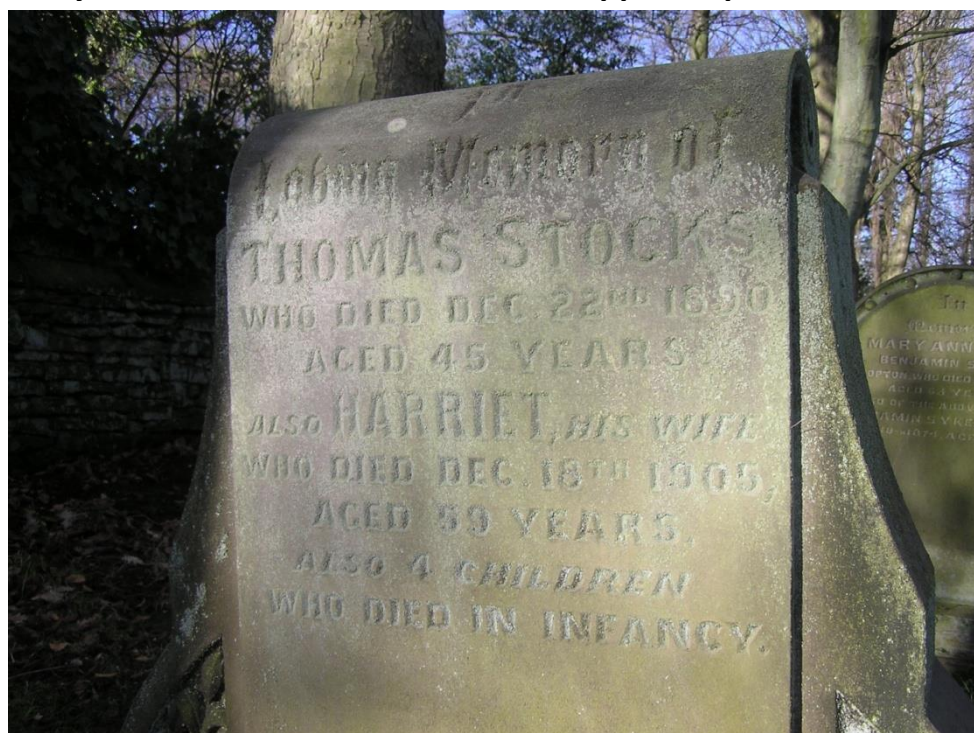


### Gilbert Hill

James Henry Law Stocks Grave with a commemoration to his son Gilbert Hill  
St John's Upper Hopton



James Henry Laws Parents Grave - St John's Upper Hopton





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James Henry Law's Grandparents grave - St John's Upper Hopton

