WALTER BOOTON

Private 21556

4th Battalion Worcestershire Regiment died on Friday 6th August 1915 aged 32

WALTER BOOTON
is commemorated on the
HELLES MEMORIAL
Turkey

The Helles Memorial stands on the tip of the Gallipoli Peninsula on Guezji Baba. It is an obelisk over 30 metres high that can be seen by ships passing through the Dardanelles. The Helles Memorial bears the names of 20,752 men who fell in Gallipoli campaign or who were lost or buried at sea in Gallipoli waters. The names are on engraved panels mounted on the outer faces of the wall surrounding the obelisk.

Walter Booton is commemorated on Panels 104 - 113



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Walter Booton was the son of Thomas and Elizabeth Booton and he was born in Far Forest, Rock, Worcestershire in 1883. Thomas was an agricultural labourer and in the 1901 census Walter was also listed an agricultural labourer living in Far Forest with his parents. He married Susan Amelia Wallis in Kidderminster in 1908, but by the time of the 1911 census he was widowed with a 1 year old son and living in Lower Forest, Far Forest, Rock. He married his sister-in-law Mary Louisa in the summer of 1911. Walter and his family moved to Colwall where he was living when he enlisted in Worcester and joined the Worcestershire Regiment going out with the 4th Battalion to Gallipoli in July 1915. The Battalion formed part of the 88th Brigade, part of the 29th Division. He was killed in action on 6th August 1915 and he is commemorated on the Helles Memorial and also the Rock village War Memorial.

Thomas Henry Greening of Colwall is also commemorated on the Helles Memorial.