Compton Chamberlayne War Graves



World War I



Regimental Badge

WR/200434 SAPPER

C. E. B. HOOPER

ROYAL ENGINEERS

5th FEBRUARY, 1919

Commonwealth War Graves Headstone for C E B Hooper is located in Back Row Grave Plot # 17 of Compton Chamberlayne War Graves Cemetery.

Charles E. B. HOOPER

Charles E. B. Hooper was born around 1881.

Charles E. B. Hooper had the rank of Sapper in the Royal Engineers. His service number was WR/200434 & he was attached to the Military Camp Railway Company.

Charles E. B. Hooper died on 5th February, 1919.

A death was registered in the district of Wilton, Wiltshire for the March quarter of 1919 for Charles E. B. Hooper, aged 38.

He was buried in Compton Chamberlayne Cemetery on 8th February, 1919.

(Wilton encompassed the parish of Fovant where the Military Hospital was located)

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The term "Sapper" is the Royal Engineers' equivalent of a Private. The Royal Engineers are one of the corps of the British Army. The Royal Engineers provide military engineering & other technical support to the British Armed Forces. The corps is divided into several regiments with duties involving bridge building, laying or clearing of minefields, demolitions, field defences, road, airfield & railway construction and repair and general construction. The sappers are also trained to serve as infantry personnel in defensive and offensive operations. The task of a sapper involves facilitating movement of allied forces and impeding those of enemies.

The service number prefix of *WR* was for the Waterways & Railways division of the Royal Engineers.



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