

Albert GRIMES



Photograph he sent to his sister Florrie
(they are wearing the 'hospital uniform' which were blue)

Born: 19th October 1893 in Neatishead

Baptised: 2nd September 1894 *(Source: Joan Wellsted book)*

Parents: Father: William (born c.1865 in Neatishead)

Mother: Ellen Colk (born c.1865, died 1946)

married 1889 in Neatishead

Siblings: Herbert (1887-1901)

John Thomas (1888-1917) **killed in action**

William Henry (1890-1918) **killed in action**

Frederick Ambrose (1891-1979)

Walter Cedric (1895-1975) **served in WW1**

Alice Elizabeth (1897-1974)

Ernest Benjamin (January 1900 - died same day)

Ernest Benjamin (1901-1910)

Florence May (1903-1984)

Gertrude Hilda (1908-1985)

Marriage: Elsie May Baldwin Neave (1893-1974)

28th April 1919 in Neatishead

Children: no known children

Death: 1980 in Outer Norwich area

Military & War service: 13600 Private, 8th Norfolk

Medals: Victory, British, 1915 Star,
Silver War Badge and certificate

13601 Private 8th Btn Grimes, A

Gunshot wounds multiple severe – 2 Stationary Hospital, Abbewille 06.07.1916

Wand – Royal Victoria Hospital, Netley 18.07.1916

(Source: Norfolk Regimental Museum Casualty Book (ref 38A))

Source: The North Walsham & District Parish Magazine:-

DECEMBER, 1916.

We offer our heartiest congratulations to Lc.Corporal Bertie Sands on his winning the Military Medal for bravery in the field. It is the first Military honour in the war won for Neatishead and we thank him heartily. Since writing the above, we are pleased to be able to welcome home, and are glad to know that he is recovering although slowly, from his severe wounds.

We are pleased also to welcome home **Albert Grimes**, after his sad experience at the front. We are glad to know he is progressing favourably and trust the future will hold out all that is good for him.

We are very sorry to hear that Wilfred Felstead is badly wounded, but more re-assuring news has lately been received from him. We are sure all the parish is full of sympathy for him and his parents, Again, we say, "Pray!"

JANUARY, 1918.

Sunday, December 16th, was a red-letter day in our parish, when, at a crowded meeting in the School-room, Lance Corporals Sands and Blackburn were each the recipient of a silver cigarette case, suitably inscribed, and an illuminated address from the parish, in token of its appreciation of the honour paid to them by their King and country for bravery on the field of action. General Hickie, after expressing his pleasure at being asked to come, made the presentation, and in doing so heartily congratulated the lads on their gallantry. At the same time, through the initiative of Mrs. Neave, **Albert Grimes** was presented with a fully equipped wagonette and horse, for the purpose of helping him (a disabled soldier) to obtain a living with the help of his pension. In this scheme Mrs. Neave was ably assisted by Messrs. Callow and Lockett, who, with untiring energy and resource, bought everything to a successful issue.



Silver War Badge