

Prisoners of War

457253 Earl Simon Taylor

Taylor joined the 60th Battalion on June 11, 1915 and was transferred to the 23rd Battalion as part of the 1st Reinforcing draft on August 27, 1915. He was later transferred to the 14th Battalion. Sgt Taylor was awarded the Military Medal for his actions during the Battle of the Somme. He was taken prisoner April 21, 1917 and released on December 27, 1918.

NAME.		RANK.	NUMBER.	UNIT.	HONOUR OR AWARD.
TAYLOR. E.S.		Pte. (A/Cpl.)	457253.	14 Battn.	MILITARY MEDAL.
AUTHORITY.	DATE.	MEDAL LEDGER FOLIOS	DETAILS. R. CEPT. 954 TO BE CONTINUED ON BACK OF CARD IF NECESSARY. NO.		MENTIONED IN DESPATCHES. AUTHORITY. DATE.
R.O.808. Byng. L.G.29873	15-10-16 21-12-16	MILITARY MEDAL. For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty under exceptionally heavy machine gun and shell fire on 26th and 27th September 1916, at Bourcelette. This N.C.O. was in charge of an observation post during an attack by the enemy on September 26th. Several times he was buried and dazed by enemy shell fire, but continued at his duty and obtained much valuable information regarding movements of enemy troops. He was also instrumental in saving many lives by assisting the wounded to the dressing station, including a Major who was wounded. When the Battalion was relieved he guided the relieving unit to the foremost positions. A.F.W.3121.			
OTHER AWARDS.					
NATURE.	AUTHORITY.	DATE.			