

CLONDALKIN



G/13271 Pte. Richard Rumgay

7th Battalion, East Kent Regiment

Killed in Action 11th October 1917 Age 21



Richard Rumgay pictured in the Weekly Irish Times Roll of Honour on the 15th of December 1917

1901 Census return showing the Rumgay family, with Richard aged 4.

CENSUS OF IRELAND, 1901.
(Two Examples of the mode of filling up this Table are given on the other side.)

FORM A. No. on Form B. *18a*

RETURN of the MEMBERS of this FAMILY and their VISITORS, BOARDERS, SERVANTS, &c., who slept or abode in this House on the night of SUNDAY, the 31st of MARCH, 1901.

| Serial Number | NAME and SURNAME | | RELATION to Head of Family | RELIGIOUS PROFESSION | EDUCATION | AGE | SEX | RANK, PROFESSION, OR OCCUPATION | MARRIAGE | WHERE BORN | IRISH LANGUAGE | If Dead and Dumb; Death only in Labels or Index or Locality |
|---------------|------------------|------------|----------------------------|----------------------|--------------|-----|-----|---------------------------------|-------------|------------|----------------|---|
| | Christian Name | Surname | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | Robert R. | Rumgay | Head of Family | Presbyterian | Read & Write | 47 | M | Landowner, Domestic Servant | Married | Scotland | | |
| 2 | Dora | Rumgay | Wife | Presbyterian | Read & Write | 27 | F | Wife | Married | Scotland | | |
| 3 | William J. | Rumgay | Son | Presbyterian | Read & Write | 8 | M | Scholar | Not Married | King's Co. | | |
| 4 | Elizabeth D. | Rumgay | Daughter | Presbyterian | Read | 6 | F | Scholar | Not Married | King's Co. | | |
| 5 | Richard R. | Rumgay | Son | Presbyterian | Cannot Read | 4 | M | Scholar | Not Married | Louth | | |
| 6 | Dora | Rumgay | Daughter | Presbyterian | Cannot Read | 3 | F | | Not Married | Dublin | | |
| 7 | Andrew H. | Rumgay | Son | Presbyterian | Cannot Read | 2 | M | | Not Married | Dublin | | |
| 8 | Isabella S. | Montgomery | Visitor | Flourish School | Read & Write | 20 | F | Housemaid, Domestic Servant | Not Married | London | | |

I hereby certify, as required by the Act 63 Vic., cap. 6, s. 6 (1), that the foregoing Return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.
Robert J. Parks (Signature of Enumerator.)

I believe the foregoing to be a true Return.
Robert R. Rumgay (Signature of Head of Family.)



Richard Robert Rumgay
The Buffs

Clondalkin Parish Roll of Honour scroll title and Pte. Rumgay's commemoration.

Richard Robert Rumgay was born on the 21st of November 1896 in Drumcashel, Castlebellingham Co. Louth to Robert and Dora Rumgay. His father was of Scottish descent and was a gardener by trade.

They moved to Dublin and resided firstly in 18 Mount Merrion Avenue in Blackrock, later moving to No. 4 Main Street, Clondalkin. It was from there that Richard left to join the East Kent Regiment in May 1916. He survived the 4 months slaughter of the Somme, was in action at Carnoy and later saw action at Trones Wood, Thiepval and Albert. April 1917 saw the regiment in training.

In July 1917 they arrived into Belgium in preparation for the third Battle of Ypres. This battle was similar in nature to the Somme the previous year with mud and bad weather causing severe difficulties to all of the combatants.

By the 7th of October the weather had seriously deteriorated with torrential rain and worsening ground conditions. Richard Rumgay was killed in action on the 11th of October 1917 in the early stages of the attack on the village of Poelcapelle.

His body was never found and he is commemorated on the Tyne Cot memorial.



No. 4 Main Street, Clondalkin. Richard Rumgay's home.



| Name | Corps | Rank | Regtl. No. |
|--------------------------------|------------|------|------------|
| RUMGAY Richard. | E. Kent R. | PTE | G/13271 |
| Medal | Roll | Page | Remarks |
| VICTORY | E/2/102.86 | 975 | |
| BRITISH | - do - do | | |
| STAR | | | |
| Theatre of War first served in | | | |
| Date of entry therein | | | |

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Richard Rumgay's Medal Index Card showing his entitlement to the British War Medal and Victory Medal.