

## Percy Frank EMMS (1896-1918)

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### Percy Frank Emms' connection to North Lopham is by birth and residency.

Percy's brother James also died in The Great War.

**Percy Frank EMMS**, son of Thomas EMMS (c. 1855- ) and Rebecca REEVE (c. 1862- ), was born on 12 April 1896 in North Lopham, Norfolk. He was baptised on 27 September 1896 in North Lopham - parents Thomas (labourer) and Rebecca.<sup>1</sup>

On 31 Mar 1901, (the 1901 Census), he was living at The Village in North Lopham - 4, scholar, living with parents Thomas (46, horseman on farm) and Rebecca (39), and siblings William Frederick (12, ill at home), Sarah Ellen (10, scholar), Thomas Alfred (8, scholar), James (6, scholar) and Rose Dora (2).<sup>2</sup>

At the time of the 1911 Census, Percy was living at The Street in North Lopham - 14, farm labourer, living with parents Thomas (56, farm labourer) and Rebecca (47), and siblings William Frederick (22, ill farm labourer), Thomas Alfred (18, farm labourer), James (16, farm labourer) and Rose Dora (12, scholar).<sup>3</sup>

Percy died on 16 August 1918 in France.

The Commonwealth War Graves Commission grave registration entry for Percy was "EMMS, Pte. Frank 24202. 12th Bn. Norfolk Regiment. 16th Aug., 1918. Age 22. Son of Thomas and Rebecca Emms, of North Lopham, Norfolk. Grave 5."

Percy is commemorated at Le Grand Hasard Military Cemetery, Morbecque - Plot 2. Row E. Grave 5.

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### Sources

1. *PR - Baptism*. North Lopham, Norfolk. Cit. Date: 27 September 1896.
2. *1901 Census*. RG13 Piece 1866 Folio 8 Page 7 Schedule 44. Cit. Date: 31 March 1901.
3. *1911 Census*. RG14 PN11745 RD239 SD2 ED18 SN72. Cit. Date: 2 April 1911.