

**ABRAM, JOHN 63781 105th Field Ambulance**

**ROYAL ARMY MEDICAL CORPS**

**Born Leyland Enlisted Chorley Living Brinscall**

**Killed in Action France / Flanders 15th April 1917**

Ref: 'Soldiers Died in the Great War, 1914-1919', Part 79.

**Lancashire Daily Post Friday 27th April 1917**

Mrs Abram, Lodge Bank, Brinscall, has received information from the captain of the 105 Field Ambulance, R.A.M.C., that her husband Private John Abram (40) has been killed. The captain pays a tribute to the deceased as being 'one of the best men in the ambulance.'

The chaplain has also written, and states that Abram, with the driver of the ambulance van, was going to the advanced line to bring in the wounded when a German shell burst, killing horses and men. Deceased leaves a widow and four children.

**Chorley Guardian and Leyland Hundred Advertiser Sat 28th April 1917**

Official word has been received of the death of Private John Abram, R.A.M.C., whose home address was Lodge Bank, Brinscall.

His captain, writing to the father of the deceased soldier, states that Private Abram was one of the best men they had in the ambulance corps, and was well liked by the officers and men.

Writing to his wife, the chaplain said her husband was killed by a shell, and was buried with military honours in a French village, when all the officers and men available attended. Private Abram was 40 years of age, and leaves a widow and four children.

**John Abram's name is on the:-**

Brinscall War Memorial

**Commonwealth War Graves Commission**

John Abram is buried in the :-

**VERMAND COMMUNAL CEMETERY, AISNE, FRANCE**

Grave Ref: Row A. Grave 2.

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Age 40. Son of Andrew and Ann Abram of Leyland and husband of Edith Burton Abram of 14 Lodge Bank, Brinscall, Chorley.

Vermand is a village in the Department of the Aisne, on the Omignon River. The Communal Cemetery is on the road to Caulaincourt.

**Note 1:-** Presumably, John Abram was killed in the vicinity of the village where he is buried. One would need to know to which Division the 105th Field Ambulance was attached to be more precise.

**Note 2:-** His name does not appear on the Roll of Honour in Astley Hall, Chorley, nor on any Leyland War Memorial.

**Abram, John.**

**W. E. Waring 2004**