

## Gunner Robert Hood

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The Royal Artillery  
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Robert was one of the fortunate soldiers who returned to civvy street after the war. He enlisted at the age of 19 years 6 months and his trade was that of a gardener. His enlistment date was 5<sup>th</sup> January 1915 when his medical report showed him to be 5 foot 9 ½ inches tall and with a chest expanded of 34¾ and a chest expansion of 3¼ inches. His weight was recorded as being 131 pounds and his physical development was good.

Robert served as a Gunner in the Royal Field Artillery from 5<sup>th</sup> January 1915 to 22<sup>nd</sup> January 1919 when transferred to reserves and was finally discharged on 31<sup>st</sup> March 1920.

He also served in the labour Corp from 18<sup>th</sup> October 1917.

Robert's next of kin was Alexander Hood of Rosebank, Blairlogie. It appears that Alexander Hood was a photographer, who was born in Galston, Ayrshire about 1865. The 1911 census shows that Robert was a woodworker in a cabinet factory and that he was born in Glasgow.

Robert was born in 1895 and during his time with the expeditionary force he received at least 2 furloughs to England, the first on 27<sup>th</sup> May 1916 and another on 27<sup>th</sup> January 1917. Robert's record also shows that he was posted to a hospital in France on 24<sup>th</sup> March 1917 and later on that same month he was posted to England on 7<sup>th</sup> April 1917.



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After the war Robert attended Territorial Army Camps, records show he was attending in 1921 as part of the 9<sup>th</sup> Battalion, Argyle and Sutherland Highlanders and his army number was: 2970709. Robert was discharged in 1924 from his duties as a Territorial. At the time of enlisting in the TA, Robert was residing at 2 East High Street, Kirkintilloch and his date of birth was 18<sup>th</sup> December 1898 and that he was employed as a Iron Moulder. At this time he was a single man.

26<sup>th</sup> November 1934 a letter from the Civil Service Commissionaire was received by Army Records enquiring about Roberts service and character, apparently he had made an application to become a member of the Corps of Commissionaires.