

GRAVES AND MEMORIALS WITHIN THE CHURCHYARD
OF
St. PETER & St. PAUL
SALTWOOD, KENT



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THE COMMONWEALTH WAR GRAVES COMMISSION



ST PETER & ST PAUL PARISH CHURCH,
SALTWOOD KENT.

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Saltwood (Ss. Peter and Paul) Churchyard

Private

EDWIN JACK BURTON

Born in Saltwood, Kent.

70665. 13th Battalion, Machine Gun Corps (Infantry)

Died 24th August 1917

Aged 25

At Brompton Hospital, London from 'Acute Pulmonary Tuberculosis'
Gardener.

Son of William and Ellen Burton of 2 Bakers Cottages, Saltwood.



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Private

WILLIAM RICHARD HERITAGE

Born and resided at Folkestone, Kent

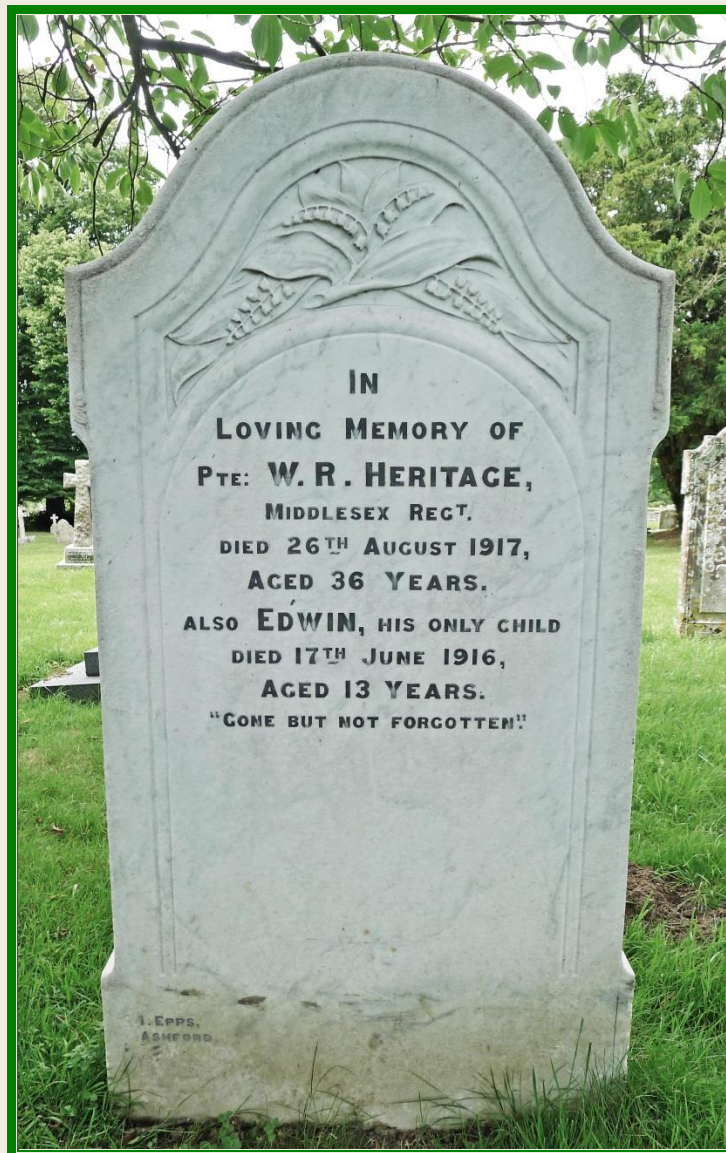
G/40880, 16th Bn., Middlesex Regiment

Died Sunday 26th August 1917

Aged 36

at Shorncliffe Military Hospital from Carcinoma of the Tonsils,
'Lodging House Keeper'

Son of Edwin Heritage, of Copper Beeches, Redbrooks, Saltwood, Hythe.



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Sapper

FRANK RONALD HOLMAN

Birth registered in the Elham, Kent registration District during the 3rd quarter of 1914

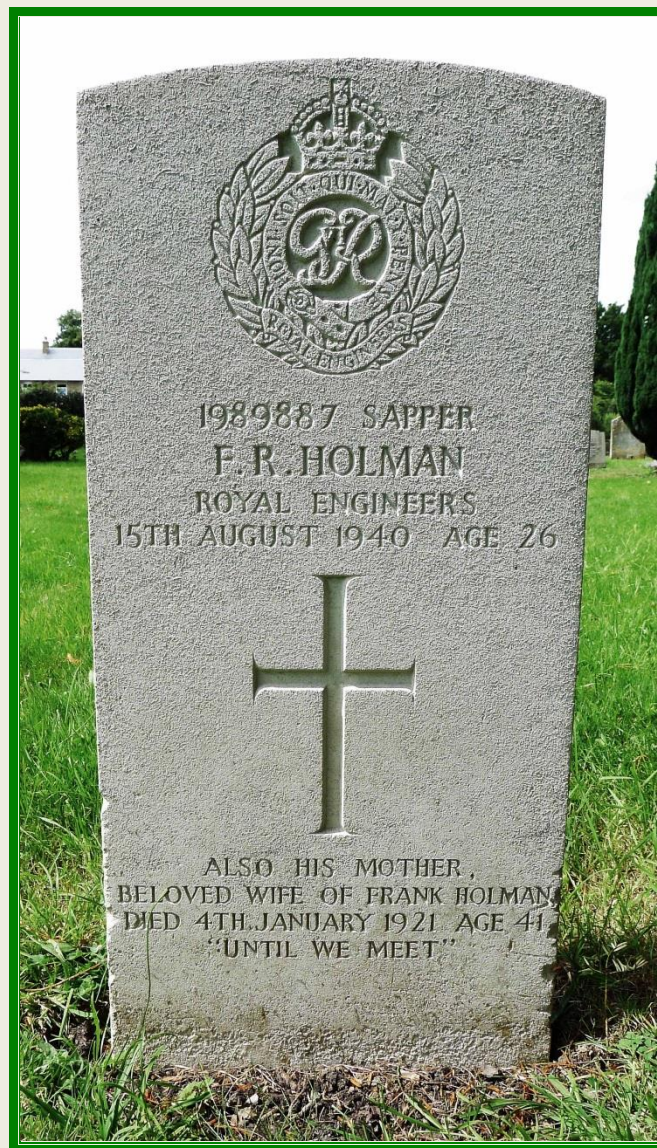
1989887. 4 Bomb Disposal Section, Royal Engineers

Died Thursday 15th August 1940

Aged 26

Killed during the disposal of an unexploded bomb at Shoreham
(One of the first bombs encountered with a type 17 delayed action fuse)

Son of Frank Gilbert Holman and the late Maud Alice Holman, who died on 4th January 1921,
aged 41. Stepson of Elizabeth Jane Holman of Hythe, Kent



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Lieutenant

GEORGE CHARLES RUSSEL MARTIN

Born Manchester, Lancashire

2nd Battalion, York and Lancaster Regiment

Died Thursday 12th September 1918

Aged 24

In Holland possibly from the world wide influenza pandemic

Son of Captain George Walter Howard Martin C.B.E. R.N. (Retd) and Mrs Elizabeth Alice Martin
of the White Cottage, Saltwood



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Private

LIONEL GEORGE JOHN MOWL

Born Hythe, Kent

58113, 3rd (Reserve) Bn., Northamptonshire Regiment transf. to (613467), Labour Corps

Died 4th April 1919

Aged 19

Possibly from the world wide influenza pandemic

Son of George James and Bertha Charlotte Mowl of 5, Becketts Terrace, Castle Road, Saltwood



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Saltwood (Ss. Peter and Paul) Churchyard

Captain

HENRY JOHN MYERS

Born Hythe, Kent

General List and Royal Army Service Corps
Died Wednesday 19th February 1919
Aged 38

Son of the late Henry and Ann Myers of Hythe, Kent



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Saltwood (Ss. Peter and Paul) Churchyard

Petty Officer Stoker

HENRY W PITCHFORD

Born Hythe, Kent

Royal Navy, H.M.S. Pembroke
Invalided from the Royal Navy suffering with Hemiplegia
Died Sunday 25th March 1917
Aged 50

Son of Joseph and Ellen Pitchford



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SHORT BIOGRAPHIES OF THOSE
WHOSE GRAVES AND MEMORIALS
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SALTWOOD, KENT.

RESEARCHED
BY
DAVID HUGHES

BURTON, EDWIN JACK.

Private, 70665.

13th Battalion, Machine Gun Corps (Infantry).

Died Friday 24 August 1917. Aged 24. Tuberculosis

Born Saltwood, Hythe, Kent.

Enlisted Guildford, Surrey. Resided Godalming, Surrey.

Son of William Jesse and Ellen Burton of 2, Bakers Cottages, Saltwood, Hythe, Kent.

Husband of Annie Burton (née Urben) of 3, Victoria Place, Saltwood, Kent.

Buried SS Peter and Paul Churchyard, Saltwood, Hythe, Kent.

Commemorated on Great War plaque within Saltwood Parish Church

Commemorated on Saltwood war memorial, Saltwood village green

Formerly Private, 12168, Queen's Own (Royal West Kent Regiment). At the time of the 1901 census the Burton family resided at 1, Bakers Cottages, Saltwood, Hythe, Kent, and the census enumerator recorded Edwin as being a native of Staplehurst, Kent. It was Bakers Cottages, Saltwood, Kent, that Edwin gave as his fathers' address when naming him as his next of kin, at the time of his army enlistment for the Duration of the War on 18 January 1916. When he enlisted, Edwin also stated that he was 24 years old, and employed as a Gardener, residing at Busbridge Hall Gardens, Godalming, Surrey. Edwin was mobilised on 9 February 1916 and attested to serve in the Queens Own (Royal West Kent Regiment), as Private, 12168. Two days after being mobilised, Edwin was posted to the 3rd (Reserve) Battalion, Queens Own (Royal West Kent Regiment) at Chatham, Kent, to undertake his basic army training. On 31 May 1916 Edwin was posted to the 1st Battalion, Queens Own (Royal West Kent Regiment) for service in the British Expeditionary Force in France, and arrived at the 5 Infantry Base Depot in France on 1 June 1916. On the same day that he arrived at the Base Depot, during his documentation process it was discovered that Edwin had not made a Will. The administration error of not having a Will was quickly rectified the same day, when Edwin left all of his property to his wife Annie Burton, c/o Mr. H. Urben of Goldstone Cottages, Great Bookham, Surrey. Mr. H. Urben was almost certainly Edwin's father-in-law; who was Woodmansterne, Banstead, Surrey native Henry Urben. After time spent working at the Infantry Base Depot, Edwin joined the 1st Battalion, Queens Own (Royal West Kent Regiment) in the field on 16 June 1916, and was assigned to serve in "D" Company. Whilst serving in France as a member of the Queens Own (Royal West Kent Regiment), Edwin submitted an application to be transferred to the Machine Gun Corps. Following Edwin's M.G.C. application, it was eventually granted and he joined the 13th Battalion, Machine Gun Corps (Infantry) on 4 December 1916, at which time he was given the new regimental number 70665. On 11 May 1917 Edwin reported sick, which then resulted in a number of rapid moves to different medical facilities, he was sent to a Field Ambulance for initial treatment, but the following day was transferred to the 1 Canadian, Casualty Clearing Station. On 13 May Edwin was admitted as a patient at the 2,000 bed 11 General Hospital at Dannes, Camiers, Pas de Calais, France, which was part of a huge complex of hospitals and attendant facilities which were constructed adjacent to the railway line. Edwin remained as a patient at the 11 General Hospital receiving treatment, prior to departing from Antwerp for England on 25 May 1917, diagnosed as suffering with Phthisis (Tuberculosis). Edwin's treatment continued in England, and on 9 July 1917 he appeared before an Army Medical Board which concluded that his medical condition had been aggravated by Active Service, and awarded him a pension, at which time they recommended his army discharge on the grounds that Edwin was "No longer physically fit for war service." At the time of awarding Edwin's pension, it was to be reviewed 26 weeks later. Resultant of the Army Medical Board findings, Edwin was discharged from the army with effect from 30 July 1917. On 22 August 1917, Edwin was admitted to the Brompton Hospital, Sidney Street, London, SW3, where two days later he died. Edwin's cause of death was recorded as "Acute Pulmonary Tuberculosis." Following his death, Edwin's body was claimed by his widow for burial at SS Peter and Paul Churchyard, Saltwood, Hythe, Kent. Edwin had married Henfield, Sussex native Miss Annie Urben at the parish church of St. Nicholas, Great Bookham, Surrey, on 21 May 1910. Annie was residing with Edwin's parents at 2, Bakers Cottages, Saltwood, Kent, when she received her late husbands' medals on 5 May 1922, and also his Memorial Plaque and Scroll on 12 July 1922.

HERITAGE, WILLIAM RICHARD.

Private, G/40880.

16th (Service) Battalion, (Public Schools) Middlesex Regiment.

Died Sunday 26 August 1917. Aged 36. Carcinoma of the Tonsils

Born and resided Folkestone, Kent. Enlisted Canterbury, Kent.

Son of Edwin and Mary Ann Heritage of "Copper Beeches," Redbrooks, Saltwood, Hythe, Kent.

Husband of Nellie Heritage (née Howard).

Buried SS Peter and Paul Churchyard, Saltwood, Hythe, Kent.

Not named on Great War memorial plaque within Saltwood Church

Not named on War memorial, Saltwood Green.

William married Miss Nellie Howard at Folkestone, Kent on 8 October 1901. On 18 May 1903, Nellie gave birth to William's only child Edwin Thomas Heritage. Edwin died of a Hemorrhage and Peritonitis on 17 June 1916, aged 13, at the Royal Victoria Hospital, Folkestone, Kent. His death was the result of a tragic accident at Saltwood the day before his death, when he was shot by a miniature rifle. At the time of Edwin's death, his address was at "Meadow House," Redbrooks, Saltwood, Hythe, Kent. When William enlisted in the army on 11 December 1915 'For the Duration of the War', he stated that he was 35 years and 69 days old, and that he was a Lodging House Keeper, residing at 35 Radnor Road, Folkestone, Kent. William was mobilised on 3 June 1916, and posted to the 12th (Reserve) Battalion, Queen's Own (Royal West Kent Regiment) as Private, 15725. William was posted to France on 6 October 1916, and he was transferred to serve in the 16th (Service) Battalion, (Public Schools) Middlesex Regiment, on 21 October 1916. On 11 April 1917, William returned to England, and on 24 July 1917, he was discharged from the army due to being "No longer fit for war service." At the time of his discharge, William was suffering from Carcinoma of the Tonsils, and was being treated at Fawcett Road Hospital, Southsea, Hampshire. Edwin was later transferred to the Military Hospital, Shorncliffe, Kent, where he died at 0530 hours on 26 August 1917. William's home address was 16, Radnor Street, Folkestone, Kent. Sadly by the time of his death, William's wife had left him and he had requested that nothing was given to her in the event of his death. As the result of the break up of William's marriage, it was his father Edwin Heritage who was the recipient of his medals, Memorial Scroll and Death Plaque, as opposed to his wife Nellie being the recipient.

HOLMAN, FRANK RONALD.

Sapper, 1989887.

4 Bomb Disposal Section, Royal Engineers.

Died Thursday 15 August 1940. Aged 26.

Son of Frank Gilbert Holman and the late Maud Alice Holman (née Reynolds).

Stepson of Elizabeth Jane Holman (née Clough) of Hythe, Kent.

Buried Saltwood (SS Peter and Paul) Churchyard, Hythe, Kent.

Commemorated on plaque within Saltwood Parish Church

Commemorated on Saltwood war memorial, Saltwood village green

Commemorated on the Hythe, Kent civic war memorial.

As can be seen on Frank's headstone, his late mother died on 4 January 1921, aged 41. Frank's birth was registered in the Elham, Kent Registration District during the third quarter of 1914.

MARTIN, GEORGE CHARLES RUSSEL.

Lieutenant.

2nd Battalion, York and Lancaster Regiment.

Attached to the Sherwood Foresters (Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Regiment)

Died Thursday 12 September 1918. Aged 24.

Born Manchester, Lancashire.

Son of Captain George Walter Howard Martin, C.B.E. R.N. (Retd), and Mrs. Elizabeth Alice Martin of the White Cottage, Saltwood, Hythe, Kent.

Buried Saltwood (SS Peter and Paul) Churchyard, Hythe, Kent.

Commemorated on plaque within Saltwood Parish Church

Commemorated on Saltwood war memorial, Saltwood village green

George's medal index card states that he had arrived in France on 1 October 1914. Officers Died in the Great War records George as having 'Died,' as opposed to having been killed in action or died of wounds. Although purely supposition on the part of the transcriber of these brief commemorations, but in view of George's ODGW entry combined with his date of death, and that his private memorial in the parish church revealed that he had died in Holland, (although buried in Saltwood), it would seem possible that he was numbered amongst the countless millions of people who died during the course of the world wide Influenza pandemic, which prevailed during the final throes of the Great War and beyond, which resulted in the deaths of more people than had lost their lives during the war. At the time of the 1901 census the Martin family resided at Charlton House, Portsmouth, Hampshire. Head of the house was Commander George W.H. Martin, R.N., who was a native of Ireland, having attained the rank of Commander on 30 June 1898. Born on 29 June 1859, George (senior) had enlisted in the Royal Navy as a Midshipman on 15 January 1872. Whilst serving as a Sub-Lieutenant, George was onboard H.M.S. Shah on 29 May 1877, when H.M.S. Shah and H.M.S. Amethyst engaged the Peruvian armoured turret ship Huáscar off the coast of Ylo, during the Battle of Pacocha. The Huáscar had been taken over by rebels opposed to the Peruvian Government and, it was feared that she could be used to attack British shipping. The heavily armoured Huáscar proved to be virtually impenetrable to the British guns, but the two unarmoured British ships were forced to keep clear of the Husacar's turret guns. In the course of the action the George's ship fired the first torpedo to be used in anger, although it missed being outrun by the Huáscar. George also served in the Zulu War of 1879, for which he was awarded the campaign medal. George retired from the Royal Navy on 20 May 1909, and was permitted to assume the rank of Captain on the Retired List from 30 June 1912. Mrs. Elizabeth Alice Martin later resided at "Brockland," Saltwood, Hythe, Kent. The photograph above is of a private brass memorial plaque which is in remembrance of George Charles Russel Martin, that is located in the parish church of SS Peter and Paul, at Saltwood, Hythe, Kent.

MOWL, LIONEL GEORGE JOHN.

Private, 613467.

Labour Corps.

Died Friday 4 April 1919. Aged 19.

Born Hythe, Kent.

Son of George James and Bertha Charlotte Mowl (née Standing) of 5, Becketts Terrace, Castle Road, Saltwood, Hythe, Kent.

Buried Saltwood (SS Peter and Paul) Churchyard, Hythe, Kent.

Formerly Private, 58113, 3rd (Reserve) Battalion, Northamptonshire Regiment.

Commemorated on plaque within Saltwood Parish Church

Commemorated on Saltwood war memorial, Saltwood village green

At the time of the 1901 census the Mowl family resided at Redbrooks, Saltwood, Hythe, Kent. Head of the house was 69 year old Exning, Suffolk, native John Mowl who was employed as a Gardener, and who was Lionel's grandfather. As was the case with George Martin commemorated at Saltwood, and although purely supposition on the part of the transcriber of these brief commemorations, but in view of Lionel's date of death, it would seem likely that he was numbered amongst the countless millions of people who died during the course of the world wide Influenza pandemic, which lasted from approximately July 1918 to April 1919, and that resulted in the deaths of more people than had lost their lives during the war, peaking in the UK between September 1918 and January 1919.

MYERS, HENRY JOHN. Captain.

General List and Royal Army Service Corps.

Died Wednesday 19 February 1919. Aged 38.

Born Hythe, Kent.

Son of the late Henry and Annie Myers (née Nelson) of Hythe, Kent.

Buried Saltwood (SS Peter and Paul) Churchyard, Hythe, Kent.

Not commemorated on Great War plaque within Saltwood Parish Church

Commemorated on Saltwood war memorial, Saltwood village green.

Formerly Private, 515185, 14th (County of London) Battalion, London Regiment (London Scottish). At the time of the 1891 census, Henry resided with his parents at Stade Street, Hythe, Kent. Head of the house was 42 year old Oakham, Rutland native Henry Myers, who was employed as a Solicitors Clerk. By the time of the 1901 census, Henry was employed as a Drapers Assistant, at which time he resided at an address which encompassed 16, 18 and 18a, Kings Road, Southsea, Hampshire. The census enumerator entered the address as being "Rooms over business premises utilised for sleeping accommodation." Henry was posted to France on 19 August 1917, at which time he was serving as a Second Lieutenant in the Army Service Corps. All official correspondence etcetera appertaining to Henry following his death, was sent to his Grantee, Miss A.M. Wythe, c/o Mr. F.J. Heall (Solicitor) of Lyminge, Kent, which would tend to suggest that Henry had left property in his will.

PITCHFORD, HENRY W.

Petty Officer Stoker, 143076.

Royal Navy, H.M.S. Pembroke.

Died Sunday 25 March 1917. Aged 50.

Born Hythe, Kent 18 November 1866. (Probably at Stade Street).

Son of Joseph and Ellen Pitchford (née Cramp).

Buried Saltwood (SS Peter and Paul) Churchyard, Hythe, Kent.

Commemorated on plaque within Saltwood Parish Church

Commemorated on Saltwood war memorial, Saltwood village green

Henry enlisted in the Royal Navy at Chatham, Kent, on 2 November 1887 for a 12 year engagement, at which time he stated that he was employed as a Labourer. Prior to having been a Labourer, Henry had been employed as a Groom as is shown on the 1881 census. On 30 April 1895 Henry was re-engaged to allow him to complete enough years' service to qualify for a Royal Navy pension. On completion of his Royal Navy service totaling almost a full 24 years, Henry joined the Royal Fleet Reserve at Chatham on 7 October 1911. After purchasing a copy of Henry's record of service, it came as no surprise when reflecting on his many years of service, to learn that he had served on numerous ships during his career, which had included a number of times, spent at H.M.S. Pembroke a Royal Naval shore establishment at Chatham. Following his initial enlistment, Henry was trained at H.M.S. Pembroke, and on completion of which his first ship served on was the 1,370 ton H.M.S. Wye which he joined on 31 July 1888 as a Stoker 2nd Class; he was still serving on H.M.S. Wye when his rating was raised to that of a Stoker on 8 July 1891. As a Stoker, Henry then served on the 11,020 ton battleship H.M.S. Victoria, which he left only three months before she was accidentally rammed and lost on 22 June 1903. Henry had also served on H.M.S. Achilles, and H.M.S. Wildfire. From 3 May 1895, Henry was one of the ships company of H.M.S. Malampas, which was a second-class cruiser of the 'Aeolus' class, that was stationed at Kingstown, Ireland as a coastguard ship. Henry spent a number of years stationed in the (Creggan) Northern Ireland District, during which time on 1 April 1910 he was promoted to Petty Officer Stoker 2nd Class. Henry was invalided from the Royal Navy suffering with Hemiplegia, which was probably the cause of his death, but the transcriber of these brief commemorations has not sighted Henry's death certificate. George Pitchford who was one of Henry's brothers also served in the Royal Navy, and it was noticed that of the five sailors' recorded by the Royal Navy with the surname Pitchford, three were born in Hythe, Kent.