

UXBRIDGE CHURCHES

Old Meeting Congregational Providence Congregational Lawn Road Methodist and Wesleyan Chapel

WAR DEAD 1914 to 1918



Introduction

Christ Church in Redford Way, Uxbridge began its existence as a place of worship when the present building opened in September 1972. The church was formed by the union of the former Methodist and Congregational churches in Uxbridge.

The Central Hall Methodist Church was formed in 1930 from a merger of the Lawn Road Methodist Church and the Wesleyan Chapel in New Windsor Street. The Central Hall was situated at the junction of Park Road and the High Street but was due to be demolished. Providence Congregational Church, which was in The Lynch, merged with Old Meeting when Providence was demolished in the redevelopment of the town in 1962, to become Uxbridge Congregational which in turn, nationally, was merged with the Presbyterian church to become Uxbridge United Reform Church.

Of those former church buildings which are still standing, none contain the war memorials for the public to see. It is this fact which has led me to undertake this research. How can we remember those who died in the First World War if we don't know who they are?

We are grateful to the efforts of Pam and Ken Pearce who transcribed the memorials of these four churches into a book from which I have gained most of the names I needed to research. I was grateful to the Hillingdon Local Studies, Archives and Museum Service for allowing me access to the information from the Providence Church photograph album which records photos and details of some of the church members who took part in the war. My research there took me through all the Providence Church magazines throughout the War which mentioned those who went, came home on leave and those who died. My thanks also go to Tanya Britton who has carried out years of research on the war dead of Hillingdon and her book 'Uxbridge, The Glorious Dead 1914 – 1921'. I used 'Ancestry.co.uk ' for Census returns to provide details of families, residences and occupations and World War 1 records which are available on the Forces War Records site.

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Jean George

October 2014

Albert George Collier

Born: 1895 in Uxbridge

Attended Providence Congregational Church

1901 Census 18 Rockingham Parade

The family resided at this address.

<u>1911 Census</u>		54 Eton Terrace, Bridge Road	B <u>irthplace</u>
F: George	41	Tent & Rick Cloth Maker at Hatton & Co	Uxbridge
M: Sarah Jane	42		"
Albert George	16	Florist at Lowe & Sawyers Nursery	"
Mabel Amelia	13	Scholar	"

Married: June 1913 at Uxbridge Register Office to Daisy Gladys Spoard. Residing at 2

Taplins Yard

Eileen Mabel (dau) b. Oct 1913

Margaret Winnifred b. June 1916

Also had a sister Isabel 22 in 1915

WAR RECORD

Enlisted: Nov 1915 Uxbridge

Regiment: Queen's Own (Royal West Kent) Rank: Private

Death Age 21

7 Oct 1916 Missing assumed dead. Killed in Action

Commemorated: Thiepval Memorial

Documents relating to Pte AG Collier:

Offence: 1 Aug 1916 Overstaying his pass from 12 midday to 12 midnight.

Punishment: 4 days CB and forfeit 2 days pay

Dec 1921 Daisy (wife) writes to regiment from 159 Great Western Terrace, Waterloo

Road requesting his medals.

She writes to acknowledge the receipt of his ID disc but not his pocket wallet containing photographs.

Reginald Charles Collier BSc

Born: 1893 in Harefield

Attended Providence Congregational Church

1901 Census 92 Cowley Mill Road

1911 Census 8 Glebe Road Birthplace

F: Charles 45 Police constable (Metropolitan)

M: Ellen 42

Reginald Charles17Student teacher for M.C.CHarefieldDaisy Winnifred13SchoolUxbridge

Attended Cowley Road School and Uxbridge County School where he was to take up the positions of Treasurer and Vice President of the Old Pupils Association. Took the Intermediate BSc whilst still at school and completed his degree at East London College with the benefit of a Senior County Scholarship Award. A Sunday School teacher and member of the church choir.

WAR RECORD

Enlisted as a Special Constable on the outbreak of war and was lodging in a first floor bedroom in his parent's house at 7 Austin Terrace, Walford Road for 6/- per week.

Charles Henry East

Born: 1897 in Uxbridge

Attended Lawn Road Methodist and Old Meeting Congregational churches

1911 Census 2 Press Road

F: William 42 Van driver for Miller

Julia (2nd wife) 41 (D'cd mother Agnes)

Elsie May 17

Charles Henry 31 Scholar

Stanley Harry 2

Horace Roy 8mths

WAR RECORD

Enlisted: Uxbridge 1914

Regiment: Royal Army Medical Corps (Field Ambulance) Rank: Private

<u>Death</u> Age 18

2 October 1916 Killed instantly after being hit in head by a shell whilst carrying a

stretcher.

Buried: Quarry British Cemetery, Bernafay Wood, Montauban

Robert Charles Finch

Born: 1884 in Uxbridge

Attended Providence Congregational Church

<u>1911 Census</u>		73 High Street
F: Alfred	59	Sawyer at Osborne & Stevens saw mill
M: Ellen	61	
John	29	Assistant in grocer's shop
Robert	26	Moulding machine hand at Osborne & Stevens
Maurice	25	Clerk at Hot Water Engineers
Elsie	23	
Jessie	22	Assistant dressmaker
George	21	Engineer at Motor Engineering Fitter's

Married February 1915 at St Margaret's Parish Church to Annie Sargood, age 27, daughter of Leonard Sargood, 2 Rose Cottage, Cowley. Had one child.

WAR RECORD

Enlisted: May 1916

Regiment: Suffolk Rank: Private

Ernest Grey

Born: 1883 in Uxbridge

Attended Providence Congregational Church

<u>1911</u> <u>50 Vine Street`</u> <u>Birthplace</u>

F: Arthur 59 Mineral Water manufacturer

M: Kate 50 Beer retailer

Ernest 28 Tractor engine driver for grocer Uxbridge Uxbridge

Dorothy 20 School teacher for MCC "

Other daughters not listed here:

Gertrude K 26 Mabel 25 Elsie 23

A member of the 'old St Andrew's' Boys' Brigade as Company Drummer and played in their football team.

ER 1912 Ernest rented a first floor bedroom from his parents' home. When he married he was living at 37 York Road

Marriage December 1913 to Lily Maud Theobald (age 26) of 42 Vine Street at Providence Congregational Church

Lily was a shop assistant in her mother's shop

WAR RECORD

Enlisted: 1 June 1916 at Uxbridge

Address: 42 Ackworth Terrace, York Road

Regiment: Middlesex, later transferred to Princess Louise's (Argyll and Sutherland

Highlanders) Rank: Private

Occupation listed as grocer's assistant

<u>Death</u> Age 33

17 March 1917 Reported missing but a report came from Germany via the Red Cross to confirm he was Killed In Action

Commemorated: Arras Memorial, Pas de Calais

A Pension was granted to his widow, now living at 42 Vine Street, for 13/9 a week.

William Henry Hayward

Born: 1886 in Maidenhead

Attended Old Meeting Congregational Church

<u>1901 Census</u> <u>Maidenhead</u> <u>Birthplace</u>

F: William 39 Paperhanger and Painter

M: Emma 37 Worcs

William Henry 14 Paperhanger & painter's apprentice

1911 Census 22 St Andrews

Emma (wid) 47

William Henry 25 Grocer's assistant (Buttons) Maidenhead

Later worked at the Post Office

WAR RECORD

Enlisted: Uxbridge

Regiment: Royal Engineers (Base Signal Depot) Rank: Pioneer

Mother living at Bayfield Cottage, Bridge Road

Death Age 31

5 March 1918 Died in German East Africa from disease

Buried: Dar-es-Salaam War Cemetery, Dar-es-Salaam, Tanzania

Ralph Holton Hook

Born: 1890 in Waddesden, Bucks

Attended Providence Congregational Church

1901 Census 152 High Street

Includes:

Nellie A 23
Edwin J 18
James 13

1911 Census 19 Cowley Road Birthplace

F: William John 58 Provision Dealer Hants

M: Ellen 56

Chrissie (Christina) 24 Despatch clerk at Post Office

Ralph H 24 Wine traveller for Nicholson's Brewery, Waddesden

Cross Street

Daisy E 18 Domestic servant Wycombe

Beatrice A 15 " Uxbridge

Father William died in the latter part of 1911.

Marriage Sept 1912 at St Margaret's Parish Church to Bessie Edith Maud Edwards age 22 daughter of Thomas Powell Edwards, Fruiterer living at 51 Windsor Street. ER 1913 Ralph is renting a bedroom in his mother's house, 19 Cowley Road.

WAR RECORD

Enlisted: Woolwich and before he enlisted he worked in ammunitions. He was living in Eltham at the time.

Regiment: Royal Field Artillery Rank: Bombardier, driver

Death Age 28

11 October 1918 Killed in Action at the 2nd Battle of Le Cateau.

Buried: Highland Cemetery, Le Cateau, France

Herbert Wilson Hunt

Born: 1882 in Uxbridge

Attended Providence Congregational Church

1901 Census 5 New Windsor Street

F: John 49 Carpenter

M: Frances Eliz. 43

William Burnham 23

John E 22

Edgar Douglas 20

Herbert Wilson 18 Grocer's assistant

Harry Percell 16

Kate Edith 13

Doris M 6

Marriage July 1909 to Rhoda Maitland Birmingham at Providence

1911 Census 8 Victoria Road

Herbert Wilson 29 Grocer's assistant at Button's

Rhoda Maitland 21

Marjorie Edith 7mths

(Herbert E born 1912)

WAR RECORD

Royal Naval Reserve Deck hand on HMS Vivid

Death Age 34

17 February 1917 Died of meningitis at the Royal Naval Hospital, Plymouth.

Buried: Plymouth, Devonport & Stonehouse Cemetery, Plymouth

Will: Rhoda was left £359, 10s.3d

Harry Austen Hutson

Born: 1891 in Uxbridge

Attended Providence Congregational Church

1901 Census 143 High Street

F: Harry Hugh 54 Saddler & Harness maker

M: Edith 52

Ewart Gray 24 Assistant civil engineer

Philip Giles 21 Dental student

Harry Austen 19 Dental apprentice

Educated at Christ's College, Blackheath and qualified as a dentist.

WAR RECORD

1914 worked as a dentist in Gibraltar

Enlisted: Dec 1914 the Inns of Court.

Regiment: Lancashire Fusiliers, South Staffs. Rank: Captain

Came home on leave due to ill health but returned to France later to join his

regiment for a while as Deputy Quartermaster-General.

Death Age 26

28 May 1918 Killed in Action at the Battle of the Aisne

He was awarded the Military Cross

Commemorated: Soissons Memorial, Dept de L'Aisne

Will: To his wife Mabel Mary of 6 Albert Mansions, S. Lambeth Road, Surrey,

£135.9s.9d

Harry Johnson

Born: 1890 In Uxbridge

Attended Providence Congregational Church

<u>1911 Census</u> <u>33 New Windsor Street</u>

F: Harry 40 Flour miller

(M: Ellen Elizabeth)

Harry 20 Clerk at Osborne & Stevens timber yard

Wilfred 18 Grocer's assistant

Marriage: March 1917 to Annie Muggeridge of 4 Norton Road. They were both

Sunday School teachers.

WAR RECORD

Enlisted: September 1914

Regiment: The Duke of Cambridge's Own (Middlesex) Later attached to Army

Cyclist Corps, General List Rank: Lieutenant & Quartermaster

Served in France, Gibraltar and Egypt

Death Age 27

27 May 1918 Killed in Action at the Battle of the Aisne

Commemorated: Soissons Memorial, Aisne.

Will: To Annie Johnson (widow) of Field Cottage, New Denham £921.11s.5d

Harry Cecil Kew

Born: 1897 in Richmond, Surrey

Attended Providence Congregational Church

1911 Census 28 Cowley Road <u>Birthplace</u> F: Henry Joseph 36 Butcher Hants M: Edith Emily 40 Butcher's assistant Chertsey Richmond **Harry Cecil** 14 School **Una Gladys** 7 Ivy Gwendolin 5 Ena Muriel 3 Roy Bernard 1

Una became a Headteacher and retired in 1964 from Providence Road School, Yiewsley where Jean George began her first teaching post. Una lived in Park Road. Father died Sept 1911 so Edith continued to run the Butcher's shop in Windsor Street. **Harry** went to Uxbridge County School and worked at Barclays Bank.

WAR RECORD

Enlisted: Feb 1915 at Westminster. Living at 45 Windsor Street.

Regiment: Queen's Westminster Rifles Rank: Rifleman

Christmas 1915 Cecil sent a donation of £1 to the Sunday School collection for the poor children of Belgium. 'Of course a lot of us are bound to get knocked out, but we none of us care if it will help to finish the war.'

Death Age 19

10 September 1916 Killed in Action during the Battle of the Somme

Commemorated: Thiepval Memorial, Somme

Charles Frederick Kingston

Born: 1891 in Uxbridge

Attended Providence Congregational Church

<u>1901 Census</u>		2 Lawn Cottages, Lawn Road	<u>Birthplace</u>
F: Charles T	41	Journeyman butcher	Chesham
M: Susanna	42		Stratford E
Charles F	10		Uxbridge
Alice R	8		
George	6		

1911 Census Possibly working in Ilford and in lodgings

Occupation stated as journeyman butcher.

Marriage: At Providence CC July 1917 to Daisy Elizabeth Emma Hook

WAR RECORD

Enlisted: London March 1917

Regiment: The King's (Liverpool) Rank: Private

<u>Death</u> Age 27

30 August 1918 Killed in Action at the Battle of the Scarpe Commemorated: Vis-en-Artois British Cemetery, Harcourt Will: To Daisy E.E. Kingston of 10 Lawn Road £197.17s.4d

George William Kingston

Born: 1895 in Uxbridge

Attended Providence Congregational Church

See 1901 Census for Charles Frederick

1911 Census 10 Lawn Road

F: Charles T 51 Journeyman butcher

M: Susanna 52

Alice Rose 18 Dressmaker

George William 16 Railway clerk at Metropolitan Goods Yard

Educated at Cowley Road school

WAR RECORD

Enlisted: London November 1915

Regiment: London, Queen Victoria Rifles Rank: Rifleman

<u>Death</u> Age 22

14 April 1917 Killed in Action at Heninel, SE Arras

Commemorated: Arras Memorial at Faubourg, D'Amiens Cemetery

Will: To Charles Frederick Kingston (father) of 10 Lawn Road £52.10s

Arthur Lindon Lakeman

Born: 1895 in Uxbridge

Attended Providence Congregational Church

1911 Census'Lindfield' 30 GreenwayBirthplaceF: William65 Retired grocerRotherhitheM: Elizabeth Lidstone48DevonWilliam marr Eliz Lidstone Lindon in Devon 1894 (first wife Margaret d 1893)William Symons26 Dental student at Guy'sUxbridge

Arthur Lindon 15 Clerk at Explosives Manufact "

remarkable for one so young. He was a Sunday School teacher, quiet and

14 School

Attended Uxbridge County School. Church records quote 'His literary papers were

unobtrusive.'

Reginald Noel

WAR RECORD

Enlisted: London

Regiment: London Rifle Brigade Rank: Corporal

<u>Death</u> Age 21

10 September 1916 Killed in Action at the Battle of the Somme

Buried: Combles Communal Cemetery Extension, Somme

Reginald Noel Lakeman

Born: 1896 in Uxbridge (25 Dec)

Attended Providence Congregational Church

1911 Census <u>'Lindfield' 30 Greenway</u> <u>Birthplace</u>

See Arthur Lindon Lakeman

Reginald Noel 14 School

Attended Uxbridge County School- Cricket Team Captain, Secretary and Treasurer of Rifle Club. Received a Middlesex Junior County Scholarship.

WAR RECORD

Enlisted: 1916

Regiment: Notts & Derby (Sherwood Foresters) Rank: 2nd Lieutenant

<u>Death</u> Age 21

3 October 1918 Killed in Action at the Battle of Ramicourt

(Shortly after having been home for his father's funeral)

Buried: Bellicourt British Cemetery, Aisne

Will: To William Symons Lakeman, dental surgeon (brother) of 'Lindfield' The

Greenway £115.16s.10d

Edwin Allen Langton

Born: 1894 in Tunbridge Wells, Kent

Attended Old Meeting Congregational Church

1911 CensusGrays Farm road, HolburnBirthplaceErnest33 Metropolitan Police ConstableCowleyEdwin A16 NewsboyTunbridge

(Nephew)

Edwin's father, Edwin Thomas and his brothers were born in Cowley. Edwin T died in 1906 aged 35. Edwin Allen may have lived with George at 122 High Street (1914) and possibly Alexander in Iver.

He attended Cowley Road Boys' School.

WAR RECORD

Enlisted: London

Regiment: London (City of London) Battalion (Rifles) Rank: Rifleman

<u>Death</u> Age 23

15 September 1916 Killed in Action at Battle of Flers-Courcelette.

Commemorated: Thiepval Memorial

Robert (Robin) Nelson Victor Mellett

Born: 1898 in Wooburn Green, Bucks

Attended Providence Congregational Church

<u>1911 Census</u> <u>2 Clayton road, Hayes</u> <u>Birthplace</u>

Herbert Frank 23 Manager of Cycle dept Uxbridge

Robert Nelson Victor 13 Wooburn Green

(brother)

1 Park Road East, Uxbridge

F: Frank M: Kate

WAR RECORD

Enlisted: Hounslow Occupation: Factory hand

Regiment: King's Own (Royal Lancaster) Rank: Private

<u>Death</u> Age 19

26 September 1917 Killed in Action

Commemorated: Tyne Cot Cemetery, Zonnebeke, Belgium

Frank Hows Mindenhall

Born: 1894 in Teddington

Attended Providence Congregational Church

<u>1911 Census</u>		7 Highfield Terrace, Mead Road	<u>Birthplace</u>
F:Frank Holgate	55	Clerk at Heating Engineers	Wendover
M:Annie	48		Whitchurch
Dorothy	20	Dressmaker	Teddington
Bessie	18	Stationer's shop assistant	"
Frank Hows	16	Boy clerk with Inland Rev Outdoor Dept	"
Kathleen	7	Scholar	Stoke Poges

Attended Cowley Road School and Uxbridge County School

ER:1913 Lived at 2 Halsey Villas, Bawtree Road

Sailed to Melbourne on 'Port Lincoln' age 18, occupation farm labourer to become a sheep farmer.

WAR RECORD

Enlisted: January 1915 at Kerang, Victoria, Australia

Regiment: Battery Australian Infantry Rank: Corporal

Father sent his consent and confirmation of his age Dec 1914

Landed in Gallipoli Aug 1915

Sent to Alexandria, Egypt Dec 1915

Joined B.E.F in Marseilles Mar 1916 Became a signaller

<u>Death</u> Age 21

24 August 1916 Died from Wounds at 3rd Casualty Clearing Station

Buried: Puchevillers British Cemetery, nr Doullens, France

Will: Left all his possessions to his mother.

A Cabin Trunk was forwarded to her containing the following:-

1 Oilskin Coat	1 Handbag	Curios	1pr Leggings
1pr Socks	Military book	1 Basket	3 Books music
Gospel	1 Photo frame	6 Pieces music	Tin opener

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1pr Socks	Military book	1 Basket	3 Books music
Gospel	1 Photo frame	6 Pieces music	Tin opener
1 Camera	2 Notebooks	Mittens	1 Printing frame
1 Atlas	Scarf	2 Developing dishes	5 Books (various)
Fountain pen	2 Enamel plates	1 Certificate	Knife
1 Brush	1 First Aid book	Wristwatch	1 Shirt
1 Medicine glass	Letters	6 Collars	1 Safety razor in case
6 White cuffs	1 Wallet	1 pr Breeches	Photos
2pr Braces	Cards	2 Belts	Tin Gift Box
14 Ties	Writing pad		

Providence church records quote 'It is only a few weeks ago that Frank Mindenhall was amongst us home on leave. He was one of the sons of the Empire who heard the call beneath the Southern Cross and responded in the early days of the war. He went all through the Gallipoli campaign without a scratch and when the Australians transferred to France he obtained leave, that privilege we are grateful ...Frank was one of my Bible Class 'boys' who kept his membership though so far away. He dwelt in the old home, though he lived in Australia. He was a bright, buoyant, manly Christian... He crowded much into a short life and while we mourn his early death we can see mercy in the cup. He abounded in energy: to have been maimed for life would have been worse than death.'

Arthur Morris

Born: 1887 in Uxbridge

Attended Providence Congregational Church

<u>1911 Census</u>		16 Orchard Place, Bennetts Yard	<u>Birthplace</u>
F:William	52	Printers Warehouseman	Chalfont St Peter
M:Mary	50		Iver Heath
Arthur	24	Printer	Uxbridge
Percy	20		"
Rose	12		"
May	10		"

WAR RECORD

Enlisted: Uxbridge

Regiment: Royal Fusiliers (London Regiment) Rank: Private

<u>Death</u> Age 29

7 October 1916 Missing presumed Killed in Action

Commemorated: Thiepval Memorial

Francis Edward Pannett

Born: 1895 in Uxbridge

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Attended Providence Congregational Church

<u> 1911 Census</u>		<u>'Glencoe' Cowley Mill Road</u>	<u>Birthplace</u>
M: Mary (widow	50		Holborn
Ethel	23	Dressmaker	Uxbridge
May	22	Packer at Laundry	"
Dorothy	19	11 11	"
Robert	18	Clerk at Uxb Gas Works	"
Francis Edward	16	Collector " "	"
Jack	9		"
Phyllis	7		"

WAR RECORD

Enlisted: February 1915 at Golspie, Sutherlandshire Trained in Scotland

Regiment: Seaforth Highlanders Rank: Private

Death Age 21

Wounded at Arras May 1916 YMCA arranged for Mother and a sister to visit.

10 June 1916 Died from septic poisoning at Etaples General Hospital

Buried: Etaples Military Cemetery, Pas de Calais

He was the first man from Providence to die out of 80 men so far still fighting. Church records quote 'A devout and regular member of the Young Men's Bible Class. His letters from the Front invariably referred to the Church Parade Service and his only criticism was that he found that they were too short. It was evident that he found them a tower of strength.'

William Roland Perrett

Born: 1900 in Uxbridge

Attended Wesleyan Chapel, New Windsor Street

<u>1911 Census</u>		44 New Windsor Street	<u>Birthplace</u>
F: William	50	Post office pensioner	Eton, Bucks
M: Mary Alice	48	In charge of Hayes Laundry	Cheshire
Dorothy May	14		Uxbridge
William Roland	11		"
Frederick Arthur	7		"

WAR RECORD

Enlisted: Denham 13 July 1915

Age: 18 yrs 8 mths (Incorrect) was actually only 15 yrs old.

Occupation: Cycle assistant

Regiment: South Battalion King's Royal Rifles

Rank: Private

Served 228 days and was discharged due to being underage.

Enlisted again: Age 17yrs 3mths Uxbridge

Occupation: Butcher's assistant

Regiment: 23rd (London) Regiment

Rank: Private

Death Age 18

22 Aug 1918 Killed in action in France & Flanders at the Battle of Albert

Buried: Bray Vale British Cemetery, Bray-sur-Somme, Picardy, France.

Edwin Pheby

Born: 1887 in Uxbridge

Attended Providence Congregational Church

1901 Census 1 New Windsor Street

F:Joseph Bennett 33 Shoemaker

M: Sarah Ann 34

Edwin 14

Arthur 11

Kate 10

Edith 8

Marriage: 1909 to Annie Smith at Uxbridge

1911 Census 7 Enfield Place, The Greenway

Joseph Bennett 43 Boot repairer

Sarah Ann 45 Assistant in business

Edith 18 Domestic servant

Cyril Ernest 8

<u>1911 Census</u> <u>2 Laurel Cottages, Hillingdon Heath</u>

Edwin 24 Bricklayer

Ann 21

Horace Edwin Jos 1 (d. 1919)

(Doris E b.1911, Stanley b.1914, Walter L b.1918)

WAR RECORD

Enlisted: 1914 at Uxbridge

Regiment: Northamptonshire, formerly Royal Fusiliers Rank: Lance Corporal

<u>Death</u> Age 31

10 August 1918 Died of wounds received at Battle of Amiens,

at No 4 Casualty Clearing station at Pernois.

Buried: Pernois British Cemetery, Halloy-Les-Pernois, Somme.

Reginald Alfred Pratt

Born: 1897 in Uxbridge

Attended Providence Congregational Church

<u>1911 Census</u> <u>123 Waterloo Road</u>

F: Herbert 41 Bricklayer

M: Charlotte Jane 39

Reginald Alfred 14 School

WAR RECORD

Enlisted: Chelsea

Regiment: London Irish Rifles Rank: Rifleman

<u>Death</u> Age 20

15 September 1916 Killed in Action

Buried: Caterpillar Valley Cemetery, Longueval

Albert Cyril Preston

Born: 1896 in East Sheen, Surrey

Attended Old Meeting Congregational Church

1901 Census Nr. Denham Village Birthplace

F: George William 33 Cowman Wallingford, Berks

M: Annie 34 Chipping Camden, Glos

Albert Cyril 4 East Sheen, Surrey

<u>1911 Census</u> <u>3 Rockingham Parade</u>

George W 43 General labourer

Annie 44

Albert Cyril 14 Mill boy at Osborne Stevens Timber Yard

Also worked at the Co-operative Store in Uxbridge

WAR RECORD

Enlisted: 1915 London

Regiment: Queen's (Royal West Surrey) Rank: Private

<u>Death</u> Age 19

25 September 1915 Reported missing presumed dead at Battle of Loos

Commemorated: Loos Memorial, Pas de Calais

Claude Gordon Richardson

Born: 1898 in Uxbridge

Attended Providence Congregational Church

1911 Census Ernest Villa, 10 Cowley Mill Road

F: Cyril Henry 41 House painter

M: Mary Ann Peach 34 Music teacher

Cyril Henry 14 School

Claude Gordon 13 "

Cissie Irene 11 "

Donald Stanley 6

Attended Cowley Road School. Later he worked at the Gramophone Company at Hayes on munitions work.

Also worked for Frank Cooper, baker of the High Street.

He was a member of the Uxbridge Gas Works football club

WAR RECORD

Enlisted: Uxbridge December 1916

Regiment: Duke of Cambridge's Own (Middlesex) Rank: Private

<u>Death</u> Age 18

1 January 1917 Heart failure at Tunbridge Wells Military Hospital.

Buried: Hillingdon Cemetery

Henry Collinson Ridgway

Born: 1896 in Uxbridge

Attended Providence Congregational Church

1911 Census 40 Windsor Street Birthplace

F: Henry Richard 41 Fishmonger

M: Sarah Jane 43

Henry Collinson 15 School Richmond

Eldred V 13 "

Attended Cowley Road School and Uxbridge County School. Later Clark's College followed by a post at the Admiralty. Known as 'Dick'. A member of the Church choir and Young Men's Bible class.

1916 The family lived at 1 Hows Road

WAR RECORD

Enlisted: 1915

Regiment: London 7th (City of London) Battalion Rank: 2nd Lieutenant

<u>Death</u> Age 21

7 October 1916 Killed in Action at Butte de Warlincourt

Buried: Warlencourt British Cemetery, Pas de Calais

Will: To Henry Richard Ridgway, munition works storekeeper of 25 Cowley Road

£128 8s 10d

Rupert Charles Rowley

Born: 1893 at Uxbridge

Attended Wesleyan Chapel Uxbridge

<u>1901 Census</u>		14 Tachbrook Road	<u>Birthplace</u>
F: Thomas	48	Life insurance agent	Ixworth, Suffolk
M: Emily Anne	48		Suffolk
Ella K	16	Dressmaker	"
lvy L	13	"	"
Rupert C	8		Uxbridge
Myrtle Isobel	6		"
Eva Ursula	5		"

1911 Census 14 Tachbrook Road

F: Thomas 58 Insurance agent

Emily Muriel 24 (single) Domestic housemaid

Rupert Charles 18 Unemployed

Myrtle Isobel 16 School

Eva Ursula 15 Milliner's apprentice

WAR RECORD

Enlisted: Aug 1915 at Mill Hill

Regiment: Duke of Cambridge's Own (Middx) Rank: Private

Death: Age 22

28 Jul 1916 In the field in France & Flanders

Commemorated: Thiepval Memorial

Frederick John Rayner Simpson

Born: 1888 in Uxbridge

Attended Providence Congregational Church

1911 CensusF: Frederick George51 Dental Surgeon

M: Alice Louisa 54

Frederick John Rayner 23 Medical Student

Sydney Frank 20 Dental Student

Attended King's College School, Wimbledon and King's College to study medicine. 'A fine cricket player.'

WAR RECORD

Enlisted: 1914

Regiment: Duke of Cambridge's Own (Middlesex) 5th Battalion

Rank: 2nd Lieutenant (Intelligence & Observation) Attached to brigade staff as

brigade bombing officer.

<u>Death</u> Age 29

31 July 1917 Killed in Action at Battle of the Ridges, Ypres

Commemorated: Menin Gate Memorial, Ypres

Will: To Frederick George Simpson, dental surgeon of 87 St Andrews

£136 5s 8d

Lennox Jake Sirett

Born: 1899 in New Denham

Attended Old Meeting Congregational Church

<u>1911 Census</u>		New Denham	<u>Birthplace</u>
F: Jacob	49	Carpenter	Stokenchurch
M: Annie (Ing)	48		**
Harry	15	Apprentice printer	New Denham
Lennox Jake	13	School	"
Edward	9	ii	"
Girly	6		

WAR RECORD

Regiment: Duke of Cambridge's Own (Middlesex) Rank: Lce Corporal

<u>Death</u> Age 19

25 March 1918 Killed in Action

Commemorated: Arras Memorial, Arras

Charles Alexander Slatter

Born: 1897 in Iver, Bucks

Attended Wesleyan Chapel, New Windsor Street

1911 Census 1&2 Osborne Stevens Yard, High Street

F: George Henry 39 Horse keeper at Osborne Stevens; Timber Yard

M: Annie Louisa 38

George 17 Timber painter at Osborne Stevens' Timber Yard

Charles Alexander 14 Sand sifter at Gravel Pit

Annie R 11

James 9

Nellie M 7

Arthur A 5

William H 3

Benjamin J 1

WAR RECORD

Enlisted: 20 May 1915 age 17 yr 1mth

Occupation: Nurseryman at Lowe & Sawyers Nursery, Kingston lane

Regiment: Duke of Cambridge's Own (Middlesex) Rank: Private

Death Age 19

11 April 1917 Gassed and later wounded in 1 arm and both legs. Died in hospital at

Le Treport

Buried: Mount Huon Military Cemetery, Le Treport

Charles' belongings returned to his father George:

Letters, photos, cards, 2 Broken pipes 2 Testaments

1 Purse 3 Pencils 1 Comb

2 Buttons 1 Coin 1 Case lead refills

1 Religious book 1 Pocket wallet 1 Cigarette maker

William Ewart Twinn

Born: 1893 in Uxbridge

Attended Providence Congregational Church

1911 Census 6 Hows Close

F: George 48 Miller's carman

M: Elizabeth 49

Frank 20 Miller

William Ewart 18 Butcher's groom (Joseph Nicholls, New Windsor Street)

Alice 15 Dressmaker

Dorothy 13 School

Daisy 9 Reggie 7

(Also: John 27 marr. Greengrocer and Albert 25 marr. Mushroom spawn maker)

WAR RECORD

Enlisted: September 1914 in Uxbridge

Regiment: Duke of Cambridge's Own (Middlesex) Rank: Private, later Lce Corporal,

finally Corporal

Served in Gibraltar, Egypt and France

<u>Death</u> Age 24

19 May 1917 Missing presumed dead

Commemorated: Arras Memorial

Arthur Edward Walters

Born: 1886 in Chelsea

Attended Providence Congregational Church

1901 CensusEast India Dock Road, ChelseaBirthplaceF: Arthur J46 Metropolitan Police OfficerSouthwark

M: Elizabeth 43 Chalfont St Giles

Arthur E 15 Electric instrument maker Chelsea

<u>1911 Census</u> <u>2 Osborne Road</u>

Arthur John 56 Police pensioner

Mary (2nd wife) 50 Uxbridge

Herbert 10 School Poplar

Military Barracks, India

Arthur E 26 Lance Corporal, Royal Irish Fusiliers

WAR RECORD

Seaman with Royal Fleet Auxilliary serving in the Royal Navy

Rank: Engineer Lieutenant

Served on tankers RFA Hungerford August 1915 – July 1916

RFA Saxol August 1916 - September 1916

Death Age 31

12 September 1916 Killed in an accident on board ship.

Not commemorated with CWGC

Will: £69 15s was paid out to Arthur John Walters

Charles John Ward

Born: 1896 in Brighton

Attended Providence Congregational Church

<u>1911 Census</u>		25 Myddleton Road	<u>Birthplace</u>
F: John Joseph	43	Builder	Uxbridge
M: Annie Martha	43		"
Winifred Annie	17	Dressmaker	Steyning, Sussex
Charles John	15	Railway clerk	Brighton
Sydney George	8	School	Uxbridge

Attended Cowley Road School and Uxbridge County School Parents were later living at 30 Derby Road

WAR RECORD

Enlisted: 1915 in London

Regiment: London Rifle Brigade Rank: Rifleman

<u>Death</u> Age 22

19 March 1918 Taken prisoner on the Somme and died of wounds whilst in a POW

in Germany

Buried: Denain Communal Cemetery, Denain, Nord Pas de Calais

George Sydney Wareham

Born: 1888 in Thorncombe, Somerset

Attended Wesleyan Chapel, New Windsor Street

	<u>Harefield Moor</u>	<u>Birthplace</u>
45	Gamekeeper	Dorset
40		
12		
11		
10		
9		
7		
	40 12 11 10 9	 45 Gamekeeper 40 12 11 10 9

1911 Census	Spring Moor Cottage,	Denham Court
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George 55 Gamekeeper

Minnie 50

Maurice 19 Gamekeeper

Victor 17 Gamekeeper

Minnie 15

Albert 14 Stationer's errand boy

Olive 11

Margaret 8

1911 Census Military, India

George Sydney 22

WAR RECORD

Enlisted: Woolwich, Kent

Regiment: Royal Field Artillery Rank: Bombardier

<u>Death</u> Age 26

1 November 1914 Killed in Action at the Battle of Ypres

Buried: Ypres Town Cemetery Extension, Menin Gate, Ypres, Belgium

Percy William White

Born: 1897 in Uxbridge

Attended Providence Congregational Church

<u>1901 Census</u> <u>Harefield Police Station</u> <u>Birthplace</u>

F: James Samuel 45 Police Sargeant Halifax, N.S.

M: Mary A 46 St Mary's Bay, K.

Percy William 4 Uxbridge

Charlotte 63 Retired laundress Halifax, N.S.

1911 Census The Cowley Brick, Chiltern View Road

James 55 Landlord (Met Police Pensioner)

Alice (marr 4 yrs) 49 Denham

Percy William 14 Clerk, Sedgwick Brewery Stores

WAR RECORD

Enlisted: September 1914 at Uxbridge

Regiment: Duke of Cambridge's Own (Middlesex) Rank: Lce Corporal

Occupation: Clerk at Metropolitan Railway Co.

Served in Gibraltar and Egypt

Death Age 19

23 June 1916 Killed in Action

Buried: Foncquevillers Military Cemetery, Somme

Alexander Whyte

Born: 1883 in Aberdeenshire, Scotland

Attended Old Meeting Congregational Church

<u>1911 Census</u>		9 Wooden Row	<u>Birthplace</u>
M: Jeannie (wid)	40		Aberdeenshire
Alexander	15	Labourer at Lowe & Shawyer's	"
James	12	School	"
Isabella	10	"	Wycombe
John	8	"	**
Elizabeth	6		Hillingdon
William Robert	2		**
Jeannie	16	Housemaid at The Cottage, Clevelo	and Road

WAR RECORD

Enlisted: May 1912 in Uxbridge

Regiment: Duke of Cambridge's Own (Middlesex) Rank: Private

Served in Gibraltar September 1914 to February 1915

<u>Death</u> Age 19

26 April 1915 Missing presumed dead at Battle of Ypres

Mother now living at 9 Warwick Place, High Street

Commemorated: Menin Gate, Ypres, Belgium

Edwin Ernest Johnson Wilcocks

Born: 1891 in Uxbridge

Attended Wesleyan Chapel, New Windsor Street and Providence Congregational Church

1901 Census		8 Rockingham Parade	<u>Birthplace</u>
F: Charles	39	Wheelwright	
M: Rosalie	39		
Charles H	15	Cycle fitter	New Denham
Rosalie	13		"
Daisy	11		"
Edwin	9		Uxbridge

Edwin served his apprenticeship as a grocer's assistant at International Stores, High Street

<u>1911 Census</u>		8 Victoria Road, Lawn Road	
Charles	49	Wheelwright at Timber Merchant's	
Rosalie	49		Hillingdon

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<u>1911 Census</u> <u>HMS Antrim</u> (Armoured Cruiser 1st Class) **Edwin E Willcocks** Ord Seaman Royal Navy (joined age 17)

WAR RECORD

Death Age 25

Daisy Caroline

9 July 1917 Leading Seaman serving on board HMS Vanguard anchored in Scapa Flow, Scotland. Explosion of ship not due to attack. Only 2 survivors and 1 body recovered.

Herbert Albert Williams

Born: 1891 in Thornton Heath, Surrey

Attended Old Meeting Congregational Church

1911 Census 134 High Street

Herbert Albert 20 Grocer's assistant at Gumbrell's grocers

(Boarder)

WAR RECORD

Enlisted: Hounslow 1915

Regiment: Royal Army Medical Corps Rank: Private

<u>Death</u> Age 24

26 October 1915 Killed in Action

Mother: Mary Williams of 130 Livingstone Road, Thornton Heath, Surrey.

Buried: Gunners Farm Cemetery, Ploegsteert

Walter Wilson

Born: 1887 in Uxbridge

Attended Old Meeting Congregational Church

<u>1901 Census</u>		Eton Villas, Mead Road	<u>Birthplace</u>
F: Henry	43	Builder & Undertaker	Yorkshire
M: Annie Baxter	43		"
Clara	15	School	"
Walter	13	Cowley Road School	Uxbridge
Frank	10		**
<u>1911 Census</u>		1 Clinton Villas, Lancaster Road	
Henry	54	Builder	
Annie B	54		
Wilfred	32	Stonemason & Sculptor	
Clara	25		
		8 Belmont Road	

Also served for a time in the Navy.

Marriage: (Jul – Sep 1911) to Lily Hellyear

Walter (Boarder) 24 Stone Carver

WAR RECORD

Enlisted: 1914 Uxbridge

Residing at 'The Bungalow', Hillingdon Road, Uxbridge

Regiment: Royal Engineers Rank: Corporal. Dispatch Rider

Death Age 28

7 May 1917 Gassed at Ypres in 1915 and treated unsuccessfully at various hospitals

in the UK finally ending up in Douglas, I.O.M where he died

Will: To Henry Wilson, builder of 1 Lancaster Road, £161.

Robert Henry Wishart

Born: 1888 in Clifton, Gloucs

Attended Wesleyan Chapel, New Windsor Street

1911 Census 3 Mill Avenue, Cowley Mill Road

F: Thomas 71 Army Pensioner Ordnance Surveyor

M: Ellen 60

Robert Henry 22 Clerk at Oxborne Stevens' Timber Mill

Nora R 20 Domestic nurse

WAR RECORD

Enlisted: Uxbridge September 1914

Regiment: South Staffordshire (formerly Middlesex) Rank: Lce Corporal

Death Age 30

29 September 1918 at Battle of the Saint Quentin Canal

Buried: Jeancourt Communal Cemetery Extension, Jeancourt, Picardy

Will: £259 11s left to Ellen (mother) of 8 Glebe Road, Uxbridge

James Henry Wonnacott

Born: 1889 in Tavistock, Devon

Attended Wesleyan Chapel, New Windsor Street

<u>1901 Census</u>		Milton Abbott, Devon
M: Elizabeth	41	Farmer
Frank	18	
John	16	
Ethel	14	
James	13	
Mary	12	
Annie	10	
Ira	7	
Erj	5	
Thomas	4	

1911 Census Gateshead, Durham

James H 24 Grocer's assistant at Windy Nook Coop

(Boarder)

Served in the 9th Durham Territorial Army

WAR RECORD

Enlisted: Uxbridge September 1914

Regiment: Duke of Cambridge's Own (Middlesex) Rank: Lce Corporal

<u>Death</u> Age 27

2 July 1916 Killed in Action at the Battle of the Somme at Fricourt

Commemorated: Thiepval Memorial

Gordon Thomas Wood

Born: 1885 in Uxbridge

Attended Providence Congregational Church

1891 Census 33 New Windsor Street Birthplace

F: Thomas 32 Grocer's warehouse man Sussex

M: Mary Ann Eliz 37 Harefield

Gordon Thomas 6 School Hillingdon

<u>1901 Census</u> <u>Waterloo House, High Street</u>

Gordon Thomas 16 Draper's assistant for Carrick & Coles

(Boarder)

Later becoming chief clerk in the counting house.

March 1909 sailed to Australia followed by parents in November

WAR RECORD

Enlisted: Sydney, Australia 1916

Regiment: Australian Light Infantry Rank: Lieutenant

Death Age 32

27 January 1917 Killed in Action

Buried: Australian Infantry, Cite Bonjean Military Cemetery, Armentieres

Will: To Howard Stranson 'Button' Provision merchant attorney effects £137 19s 10d

Ernest David Wright

Born: 1895 in Uxbridge

Attended Wesleyan Chapel, New Windsor Street and Providence Congregational

Church

<u>1911 Census</u>		4 Rockingham Parade	<u>Birthplace</u>
F: George	58	Corn miller's carman	Suffolk
M: Sarah	57		"
Herbert	22	General labourer for corn dealer	Uxbridge
Ernest	17	Grocer's errand boy	"

Employed by Mr Gilbert of King's Parade, Cowley Road

WAR RECORD

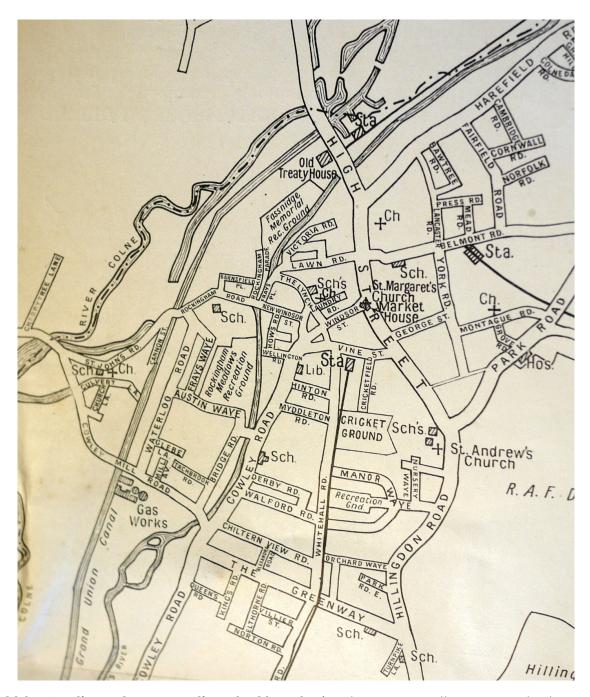
Enlisted: Uxbridge

Regiment: Royal Fusiliers London Rank: Private

Death Age 20

8 May 1915 Shrapnel wounds in chest nr St Julien. Died in hospital at Boulogne.

Buried: Boulogne Eastern Cemetery, Boulogne-sur-mer



Old Meeting Congregational Church is shown on the map between Harefield Road and Belmont Road

Providence Congregational Church was situated in The Lynch

Lawn Road Methodist Chapel can be seen in Lawn Road in its present use as a kindergarten

Wesleyan Chapel can still be seen in New Windsor Street having been converted into residential dwellings for the elderly



We will remember them