

St. Margaret's Church, South Wonston

# Lest we forget

## those from the village who died in the service of their country





Chapel Memorial,

St. Margaret's Church,

South Wonston

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## Private JOHN BUTLER

T/3545, 2nd/5th Bn., The Queen's (Royal West Surrey) Regiment

who died age 28

on 25th February 1915

Husband of Ellen Sewell (formerly Butler)

Buried in East Clandon Cemetery Church of St. Thomas of Canterbury, Grave no. 226



Commemorated in perpetuity by the Commonwealth War Graves Commission

## JAMES KIMBER

Hampshire Regiment

who died in the First World War



### Private SIDNEY CHARLES BARNARD

200887, (2983). 1st/4th Bn., Hampshire Regiment

#### who died age 24

on 21st January 1916

#### Remembered with honour BASRA MEMORIAL

Panel 21 and 63 This memorial bears the names of more than 40,500 members of the Commonwealth forces who died in the operations in Mesopotamia from the Autumn of 1914 to the end of August 1921 and whose graves are not known.



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#### **Corporal FREDERICK 'HARRY' HOLLAMBY**

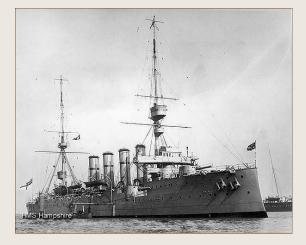
#### PO/15918, H.M.S. "Hampshire.", Royal Marine Light Infantry

#### who died age 26

#### on 5th June 1916

Son of George and Annie Hollamby, of "The Limes," South Wonston, brother of Daisy, Violet, Lillian and Arthur.

#### Remembered with honour PORTSMOUTH NAVAL MEMORIAL 21



#### The Sinking of the HMS Hampshire

At around 7.30pm on Monday 5th June 1916, just off Marwick Head in Orkney, H.M.S. Hampshire was sailing in a force nine gale on her way to Russia, when she struck a German mine and sank within 15 minutes.

According to official MOD sources the ship's full compliment at the time of sailing was 655 men plus 7 passengers, who were Lord Kitchener (then Secretary of State for War) and his staff. Only about 100 bodies were recovered and there were only 12 survivors.

#### Extracts from the Hampshire Chronicle

#### 17 June 1916

"SUTTON SCOTNEY AND WONSTON - One more name, F.H. Hollamby (Harry) of H.M.S. Hampshire has been added to our local roll of honour. To his parents, living at South Wonston, our sympathy is extended."

#### 24 June 1916

This edition carries a detailed report of a memorial service for those who died on H.M.S. Hampshire, held at Winchester Cathedral on Thursday 22 June 1916.



Commemorated in perpetuity by the Commonwealth War Graves Commission, Portsmouth Naval Memorial

#### Private FREDERICK DREW

#### 5760, 2nd/8th Bn., Royal Warwickshire Regiment

#### who died age 24

#### on 20th July 1916

Son of William and Frances Drew(e), brother of William, Leonard and Beatrice

#### Remembered with honour Buried in the churchyard of Holy Trinity Church, Wonston



Inscription reads: Sacred to the memory of Fred Drew Late 4th Hants Regt Second son of William and Frances Drew who died of wounds received in action in France July 20 1916 aged 24 years

#### Extract from the Hampshire Chronicle

29 July 1916

#### SUTTON SCOTNEY AND WONSTON

SOLDIER'S FUNERAL - Simple yet touching was the reception given on Monday last to the body of one more from this parish who has made "the great sacrifice". Wounded in the big push now being made, Pte Frederick Drew, aged 24, of the 2nd/8th Warwickshire Regiment, was taken to the Temporary Military hospital, Hollymoor, Northfield, near Birmingham, where on July 20 he died. Two composite patrols of the local Boy Scouts, with the scoutmaster, met the train and escorted the coffin, covered with the Troop Union Jack, from the platform to the lych-gate of Wonston church, where the opening sentences of the Burial service were read. In spite of the unavoidably short notice of the arrival of the corpse, the parents, who formerly lived at St. Cross, Winchester, and now at South Wonston, and other relatives and friends soon after arrived at the church. The hymn 'Peace, perfect peace' was sung during the service.

## **Corporal CLARENCE WILLIAM SUCKLING DCM**

3297, 1st/24th Bn., London Regiment

who died age 20

#### on 14th September 1916

Son of Arthur and Louisa Suckling of West Hill Road, South Wonston, brother of Florence, Edward, Emily and Albert

#### Remembered with honour THIEPVAL MEMORIAL, FRANCE

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This Memorial to the Missing of the Somme bears the names of more than 72,000 officers and men of the United Kingdom and South African forces who died in the Somme sector and have no known grave.



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Extract from The London Gazette issue 29637, published 23 June 1916

His Majesty the KING has been graciously pleased to approve of the award of the Distinguished Conduct Medal to the undermentioned Warrant Officers, Non-commissioned Officers and men for acts of gallantry and devotion to duty in the field :---

[There follows an alphabetical list including:]

3297 L./C. C. W. Suckling, 24th Bn., Lond. R., T.F.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in carrying messages over a shell-swept area. He also went out by night in company with an N.C.O. and rescued three wounded.

Extracts from the Hampshire Chronicle

#### 24 June 1916

SUTTON SCOTNEY AND WONSTON SCHOOLS -

Present scholars were pleased to hear that a second old boy Lce-Corporal Clarence W. Suckling, 24th London (Queens) has won a Distinguished Conduct Medal for dispatch running, under fierce shell fire, from the front line to the battalion headquarters, and for assisting wounded comrades, who had been lying exposed three days, to the dressing station.

#### 14 October 1916

SUTTON SCOTNEY AND WONSTON ROLL OF SACRIFICE -

Our sympathy is extended to the parents of Lance-Corporal Clarence W. Suckling DCM 24th London (Queens) who fell in action on the 14th of last month.

#### Private ALBERT WALTER SUCKLING

43614, 9th Bn., Essex Regiment

#### who died age 22

#### on 18th October 1916

Son of Arthur and Louisa Suckling of West Hill Road, South Wonston, brother of Florence, Edward, Emily and Clarence

#### Remembered with honour GREVILLERS BRITISH CEMETERY, FRANCE V. AA. 18



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#### Extract from the Hampshire Chronicle

11 November 1916

SUTTON SCOTNEY AND WONSTON ROLL OF SACRIFICE - we learn that Mr Suckling of South Wonston has received official notification of the death on Oct 18 of his son Albert Walter Suckling, age 23, who was serving in the Essex Regt. Much sympathy is felt in the district for the sorrow-stricken relatives, who but a short while back heard of the loss of another son, killed in action on Sept 14th.

### Private JOSEPH SAUNDERS

30784, 2nd Bn., Devonshire Regiment

#### who died age 24

on 14th August 1917

Son of Sydney and Emma Saunders, of South Wonston Downs, brother of Abraham, husband of Sarah Ann Jane Langstone (formerly Saunders)

#### Remembered with honour YPRES (MENIN GATE) MEMORIAL, BELGIUM Panel 21

This memorial commemorates over 54,000 men missing in Flanders



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## Lance Serjeant WILLIAM BUTLER

12371, 2nd Bn., Grenadier Guards

who died

on 4th September 1918

## Remembered with honour WAVANS BRITISH CEMETERY, FRANCE

Grave no. A. 7



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In Memory of those who died in the

1939–1945 War

## ALBERT ADAWAY

Gunner 821128 5th Regiment, Royal Horse Artillery who died age 27 between 27/05/1940 and 27/02/1941

#### HERBERT GROVES

Gunner 1139969 Royal Artillery who died age 19 on 16/04/1942

## **RONALD GROVES**

Hants Carabineers Yeomanry RA who died age 31 on 30/07/1942

## FRANK WEEKES

Driver T/14305707, 26 Tipper Coy. Royal Army Service Corps Who died age 32 on 21/06/1944



In Memory of those who died in the

#### IRAQ 2003–2009

## PAUL HENRY GEORGE HARDING

#### Major '547597' 4th Battalion The Rifles.

#### who died on the 20th June 2007 aged 48 In Basra, IRAQ

Commemorated on the Armed Forces Memorial at the National Memorial Arboretum.

