

# Codford War Graves



*Lest we Forget*

## World War I

28568 RIFLEMAN

**B. WINTERBURN**

N.Z. RIFLE BRIGADE

4TH FEBRUARY, 1917 Age 40



*Commonwealth War Graves Headstone for Rifleman B. Winterburn is located in 2<sup>nd</sup> Row (Left Hand Side) Grave Plot # 39 of Codford War Graves Cemetery (Using Map by Brian Marshall)*

*(CWGC Reference - Grave # 33)*

Bertram Winterburn was born on 23<sup>rd</sup> April, 1877 at Wellington, New Zealand, the son of Arthur Augustus & Ada Elizabeth Winterburn (nee Lucas). He was a 33 year old, single, Farm Hand from Hunterville, New Zealand when he enlisted on 27<sup>th</sup> June, 1916 with the New Zealand Expeditionary Force. His service number was 28568 & his religion was Church of England. His next of kin was listed as his father – Mr A. A. Winterburn of Tory Street, Nelson, New Zealand.

Rifleman Bertram Winterburn embarked with New Zealand Rifle Brigade, 9<sup>th</sup> Reinforcements, 4<sup>th</sup> Battalion, H Company from Wellington, New Zealand on HMNZT (67) *Tofua* on 11<sup>th</sup> October, 1916. He disembarked at Devonport, England on 29th December, 1916.

Rifleman Bertram Winterburn was marched in to Sling Army Camp, Wiltshire on 29th December, 1916.

Rifleman Bertram Winterburn was admitted to No. 3 New Zealand General Hospital, Codford, Wiltshire on 31<sup>st</sup> January, 1917 with Influenza. He was reported Dangerously ill with acute Bronchitis on 3<sup>rd</sup> February, 1917.

Rifleman Bertram Winterburn died on 4<sup>th</sup> February, 1917 at No. 3 New Zealand General Hospital at Codford, Wiltshire of Bronchitis.

A death for Bertram H. Winterburn, aged 38, was registered in the March quarter, 1917 in the district of Warminster, Wiltshire, England.

Rifleman Bertram Winterburn was buried at St. Mary's New Cemetery, Codford on 8<sup>th</sup> February, 1917.

Rifleman Bertram Winterburn was entitled to British War Medal only as he had not entered a Theatre of War. A Memorial Scroll & Memorial Plaque were also sent to Rifleman Winterburn's father – Mr A. A. Winterburn (July, 1921 & February, 1922).

The CWGC lists Rifleman Bertram Winterburn, 28568, as the son of Arthur A. Winterburn of Tory St., Nelson.

(18 pages of Rifleman Bertram Winterburn's Service records are available for On Line viewing at Archives New Zealand website).

*Information obtained from the Archives New Zealand, Auckland War Memorial Museum, Commonwealth War Graves Commission & PapersPast, National Library of New Zealand.*

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## Newspaper Reports

### **ROLL OF HONOUR**

DIED OF DISEASE - Winterburn, Bertram, February 4<sup>th</sup> (Nelson)

*(Timaru Herald, Volume CVI, Issue 16190, 8 February, 1917)*

Rifleman Bertram Winterburn has a Commonwealth War Graves Headstone. None of the New Zealand CWGC headstones at Codford have a personal inscription.

Photo of Rifleman B. Winterburn's Headstone at Codford War Graves Cemetery, Wiltshire.



*(Photo courtesy of Romy Wyeth)*