Codford St. Peter

Roll of Honour



World War I



10718 PRIVATE

P. C. BROWN

1st BN WILTSHIRE REGIMENT

26th MARCH, 1918 AGE 23

Blessed Are

The Pure In Heart

For They Shall See God

Percy Charles BROWN

Percy Charles Brown was born at Chitterne All Saints, Wiltshire to parents Alfred & Harriet Brown (nee Bolter). His birth was registered in the district of Warminster, Wiltshire in the December quarter of 1894.

The 1901 Census records Percy C Brown as a 6 year old living with his parents at Quebec Cottages, Upton Lovell, Warminster – a 4 roomed dwelling. His parents were recorded as Alfred Brown (Carter on Farm, aged 36) & Harriet Brown (aged 35).

The 1911 Census records Percy Charles Brown as a 17 year old, single, Labourer on Farm living with his parents at a 5 roomed dwelling at Ashton Gifford, Codford St. Peter, Wiltshire. His parents were recorded as Alfred Brown (Carter on Farm, aged 52, born Winterbourne Stoke, Wilts) & Harriet Brown (aged 49, born Chitterne All Saints, Wilts). Harriet & Alfred Brown had been married for 23 years with 2 children – 1 deceased.

Percy Charles Brown enlisted with the Wiltshire Regiment at Salisbury, Wiltshire. He was given the rank of Private & a service number of 10718. Private Brown's records show that he was attached to 1st Battalion (Duke of Edinburgh's) Wiltshire Regiment. His residence was listed as Codford St. Peter, Wiltshire.

Private Percy Charles Brown died of wounds on 26th March, 1918, aged 23 years.

Pte Percy Charles Brown is buried in Bac-Du-Sud British Cemetery, Bailleulval, France – Position I. D. 3. His death is acknowledged by the Commonwealth War Graves Commission & as such has a Commonwealth War Graves Headstone.

The Commonwealth War Graves Commission lists Pte Percy Charles Brown as the son of Alfred & Harriet Brown of "French Horn" Codford St Peter, Wiltshire.

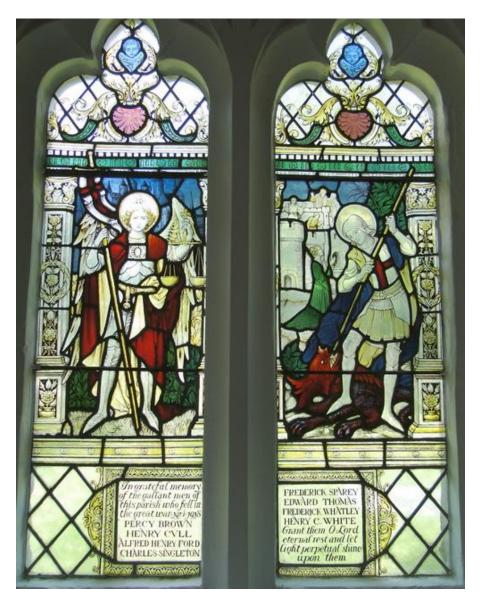
Pte Percy C. Brown was entitled to the 1915 Star, British War & Victory Medals. His Medal Index Card shows he had entered a Theatre of War – France on 4th January, 1915

P. C. Brown is remembered as a Casualty of WW1 in the Diocese of Salisbury Memorial Book for Codford St. Peter.

Percy Brown is remembered on the World War 1 Stained Glass Memorial window in St. Peter's Church, Codford, Wiltshire.



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Codford St Peter War Memorial window with Saints Michael and George

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Bac-Du-Sud British Cemetery, Bailleulval, France

The Bac-Du-Sud British Cemetery, Bailleulval is located in the Pas de Calais region of France. The Cemetery contains around 688 Commonwealth burials of the First World War. There are also 55 German War Graves.

The Cemetery was made in March, 1918 by the 7th, 20th & 43rd Casualty Clearing Stations but when the German advance began at the end of March, their place was taken by field ambulances of the units fighting on the Arras front, notably the 31st Division and the Canadian Corps. In August & September, when the Germans had been pushed back, the 45th & 46th Casualty Clearing Stations were posted to the neighbourhood. *(CWGC)*



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