PERCIVAL SYDNEY BARRETT

Private 6460

1st Battalion, Wiltshire Regiment died on Saturday 31st October 1914 aged 29

PERCIVAL SYDNEY BARRETT is commemorated on the LE TOURET MEMORIAL France

Additional information in the Commonwealth War Graves Commission Register

Son-in-law of Mrs. M. A. Winters, of 1, Frome Cottage, The Green, Colwall, Malvern.

The Memorial in Le Touret Military Cemetery is one of those erected by the Commonwealth War Graves Commission to record the names of the officers and men who fell in the Great War and whose graves are not known. The Memorial is to the soldiers lost in the area and covers the period from the arrival of the II Corps in Flanders in 1914, to the eve of the Battle of Loos. The names of those commemorated are listed on panels set into the walls of the court and the gallery, arranged by regiment, rank and alphabetically by surname within the rank. Over 13,000 names are listed on the memorial of men who fell in this area before 25 September 1915 and who have no known grave.

Percival Sydney Barrett is commemorated on Panels 33 & 34



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Percival Sydney Barrett was born in Gorse Hill, Swindon in 1884. He was one of the seven children of George and Naomi Barrett. His father worked as a furnace man in various locations and was working for the GWR when Percy was 6. By the time of the 1901 census Percy was working as a hay tyer and boarding with his brother in Broad Hinton. By 1909 he had moved to Colwall, and on January 25th he married Emily Louisa Winters in Colwall. Their son Percival was born in 1910 and Emily and Percy junior were living with her parents, George and Mary Winters at Purlieu Lane, The Wyche at the time of the 1911 census. Percy was in Upper Boat, Pontypridd working as a hewer in a mine. Percy enlisted in Devizes, Wiltshire and joined the 1st Battalion of the Duke of Edinburgh's (Wiltshire Regiment) and went with out with the BEF to France landing in Rouen on 14 August 1914. He was killed in action and is commemorated on the Le Touret Memorial.