

In Memory Of

ROBERT BARTON

**Lance Serjeant 19475
4th Bn., Grenadier Guards
who died on Monday, 13th May 1918. Age 26**

Born Marple **Enlisted** Hyde, Cheshire **Residence**

Died How Died of wounds **Theatre of War** France & Flanders

Additional Inf. Son of Robert and Betty Barton, of 9, Hall St., Kingston, Hyde.

Commemorative Information

Cemetery: BERLIN SOUTH-WESTERN CEMETERY, Brandenburg, Germany
**Grave Reference/
Panel Number:** VII. C. 9.

Location: The Cemetery is located close to the village of Stahnsdorf, about 26 kilometres south west of Berlin and 15 kilometres east of Potsdam. The Cemetery is on the eastern edge of the Potsdam Forest. Visitors travelling along the main road between Potsdam and Stahnsdorf should follow signs for Tellow, Stahnsdorf and the airport, Schonefeld. Immediately after passing the village boundary of Stahnsdorf lies the left hand turning, at the traffic lights, into Bahnhofstrasse. The Cemetery lies 500 metres after this left hand turning on the left hand side of the road. The CWGC plot is approximately twenty minutes walk from the entrance. The plot is found by following signs for the church and continuing on the main path running through the Cemetery.

Historical Information: The Cemetery is one of those which belong to the Berlin Stadtsynode. It was opened in 1908, and covers an area of about 132 hectares. In 1923 it was selected as one of the four cemeteries in which the Commonwealth war graves scattered throughout Germany should be grouped, to ensure that they should be properly maintained in perpetuity; and the work was carried out in 1924-25. The Commonwealth part of the cemetery consists of twenty plots, about 1 kilometre from the main entrance. Of the 146 cemeteries from which British graves were brought to Stahnsdorf, the following should be mentioned:- ALTDAMM PRISONERS OF WAR CEMETERY, five miles East of Stettin, in the Province of Pommern (Pomerania), contained the graves of 46 soldiers from the United Kingdom, three from Newfoundland and two from Canada, who died in 1915-1918. BUDEROSE PRISONERS OF WAR CEMETERY, near Guben, in the Province of Brandenburg, contained the graves of 18 soldiers from the United Kingdom, one from Canada and one from Australia, all of whom died in 1918. CROSSEN PRISONERS OF WAR CEMETERY, 3 kilometres East of Crossen, on the river Oder, in the Province of Brandenburg, contained the graves of 66 sailors and soldiers from the United Kingdom, one from Australia and one from South Africa all of whom died in 1918. DOBERITZ PRISONERS OF WAR CEMETERY, about 19 kilometres West of Berlin, in the Province of Brandenburg, contained the graves of 38 sailors and soldiers from the United Kingdom who died in 1914-1918. HASENHEIDE GARRISON CEMETERY, on the South side of the city of Berlin, contained the graves of 369 Russian, 125 French, and 58 Belgian, American, Italian, Rumanian, Portuguese or Serbian soldiers; 63 sailors, soldiers and Marines from the United Kingdom; and one Indian soldier. HEILSBURG PRISONERS OF WAR CEMETERY, in Ostpreussen (East Prussia), contained the graves of 50 soldiers and one Marine from the United Kingdom, who died in 1917 and 1918. Only twelve were brought to Stahnsdorf; the remainder are still buried at Heilsberg. KLEIN WITTENBERG OLD CEMETERY, 3 kilometres West of Wittenberg, in the Prussian province of Saxony, contained the graves of 23 soldiers, one Marine and eight civilians from the United Kingdom and one soldier from India, all of whom died in 1915