

In Memory Of

EDWARD BURNS

Driver 243825
81st Bty., 5th Army Bde., Royal Field Artillery
who died on Monday, 6th May 1918. Age 29

Born **Enlisted** Hyde, Cheshire **Residence** Hyde, Cheshire
Died How Died of wounds **Theatre of War** France & Flanders
Additional Inf. Husband of Annie Burns, of 246, Victoria Street, Newton, Hyde.

Commemorative Information

Cemetery: FOUQUIERES CHURCHYARD EXTENSION, Pas de Calais, France
**Grave Reference/
Panel Number:** I. 80.

Location: Fouquieres-les-Bethune is a village about 1 kilometre south-west of Bethune. The churchyard is on the right side of the road to Bruay, where it goes through a small industrial estate. The extension stands at the head of 20 steps leading up from the road, overlooking the village.

Historical Information: One British officer, who died in October, 1915, is buried in the Churchyard near the Church door. Earlier and later burials, from May, 1915, to April, 1918, took place in the long row which forms Plot 1 of the Extension, and in April-October, 1918, three further Plots were made between the Churchyard and the road. Many of the burials took place from the Field Ambulances stationed in the village. The great majority of the graves are those of Territorial Soldiers; 249 of them belong to the 46th (North Midland) Division, which spent three years in the neighbourhood and placed its transport at Fouquieres. During the 1939-45 War No. 9 Casualty Clearing Station was at Beuvry, about 3 kilometres away, in 1940; and burials from this hospital occurred in the Churchyard Extension. There are now nearly 400, 1914-18 and 30, 1939-45 war casualties commemorated in this site. The Churchyard Extension covers an area of 2,448 square metres.