

In Memory Of

ALFRED DANIELS

Private 33483
11th Bn., South Wales Borderers
who died on Tuesday, 11th July 1916. Age 24



Born Hyde, Cheshire Enlisted Hyde, Cheshire Residence

Died How Killed in action Theatre of War France & Flanders

Additional Inf. Son of Aaron and Mary Daniels, of 132, Stockport Rd, Gee Cross.

Commemorative Information

Cemetery: FLATIRON COPSE CEMETERY, MAMETZ, Somme, France
Grave Reference/ IX. F. 4.
Panel Number:
Location:

Flatiron Copse Cemetery is on the right hand side of D929, Amiens-Albert-Bapaume, 10 kilometres east of Albert. From Albert take the right turn at Y junction (102nd Infantry Brigade Memorial) after the Routiers restaurant, on the D20. Follow on the D20 through Owillers/La Boisselle and Bazentin, then after 2 kilometres the Cemetery is signposted onto a 750 metre mud track. The Cemetery is accessible by car.

Historical Information: The ground was cleared by the 3rd and 7th Divisions on the 14th July, 1916, and an Advanced Dressing Station was established at the Copse. The cemetery was begun about the 20th July, and it remained in use until April, 1917. It was used again for two burials in August, 1918; and after the Armistice, 1,149 graves were brought in from smaller cemeteries and from the neighbouring battlefields. Almost all the concentrated graves are those of men who fell in the summer and autumn of 1916. There are now over 1,500, 1914-18 war casualties commemorated in this site. Of these just under 500 are unidentified and special memorials are erected to 36 soldiers from the United Kingdom known or believed to be buried among them. Other special memorials record the names of nine soldiers from the United Kingdom, buried in Mametz Wood Cemetery, whose graves were destroyed by shell fire. The cemetery covers an area of 5,197 square metres and is enclosed by a red brick wall. The following were among the burial grounds concentrated into Flatiron Copse Cemetery:-
CATERPILLAR CEMETERY, MONTAUBAN, in "Caterpillar Wood". It contained the graves of 21 soldiers from the United Kingdom who fell in July, 1916, and of whom 12 belonged to the 6th and 7th Gordons. CROSS ROADS CEMETERY, BAZENTIN, near the cross-roads at the North end of Bazentin-le-Grand. Here were buried 15 soldiers from the United Kingdom and four from New Zealand, who fell in 1916-1917. MAMETZ WOOD CEMETERY, outside the Western edge of Mametz Wood, in which 18 soldiers from the United Kingdom were buried in 1916. QUADRANGLE CEMETERY, BAZENTIN, between Bottom Wood and Mametz Wood, named from a small rectangular copse. Here were buried, in 1916, 32 soldiers from the United Kingdom and three from Australia, of whom 22 were artillerymen. VALLEY CEMETERY, MONTAUBAN, between the Briqueterie and Maltzhorn Farm, in which 72 soldiers from the United Kingdom were buried in August and September, 1916. VILLA WOOD CEMETERIES No. 1 and No. 2, CONTALMAISON, near a small copse North of Mametz Wood. They contained the graves of 62 soldiers from the United Kingdom who fell in 1916.