

In Memory Of

ARNOLD HOLT

Private 41221
11th Bn., Manchester Regiment
who died on Thursday, 26th April 1917

Born Hyde, Cheshire Enlisted Hyde, Cheshire Residence

Died How Killed in action Theatre of War France & Flanders

Additional Inf. FORMERLY 288737, SOUTH LANCS. REGIMENT
Wife – 6, Thornley Street, Hyde. Brother at 4, Thornley Street,
Mother – 12 Alexandra Avenue, Hyde.

Commemorative Information

Cemetery: MORCHIES MILITARY CEMETERY, Pas de Calais, France
**Grave Reference/
Panel Number:** B. 19.
Location: Morchies is a village 8 kilometres north-east of Bapaume and 2 kilometres north of the RN30 road from Bapaume to Cambrai. Leave the RN30 on the RD18 signposted Morchies, pass through the village and the cemetery can be seen clearly on the left. The signpost indicates an access path.

Historical Information: The Village was occupied by British troops on the 20th March, 1917; lost on the 21st March, 1918; and retaken in September, 1918. It was later "adopted" by the Urban District of Barking. Morchies Military Cemetery was begun in April, 1917, and used until January, 1918. Seventy-six British and 15 German burials in Rows B, C and D were made by the Germans in March, 1918; and certain burials in Rows in A, D and E were made by the British in 1918. There are now over 150, 1914-18 war casualties commemorated in this site. Of these, nearly half are unidentified and special memorials are erected to eight soldiers from the United Kingdom who are known to be buried among them. Other special memorials record the names of nine soldiers from the United Kingdom and one sailor of the Royal Naval Division, buried by the enemy at Morchies, whose graves were destroyed by shell fire. The Cemetery covers an area of 657 square metres and is enclosed by a brick wall.