

In Memory Of

**JOSEPH OLDHAM**

Private 17183  
20<sup>th</sup> Bn., Manchester Regiment  
who died on Sunday, 2<sup>nd</sup> July 1916



**Born** Hyde      **Enlisted** Manchester      **Residence** Hyde

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

**Additional Inf.** Brother of Mrs. Beaumont of Lumn Street, Hyde.

**Commemorative Information**

- Cemetery:** MORLANCOURT BRITISH CEMETERY NO. 1, Somme, France  
**Grave Reference/  
Panel Number:** A. 26.  
**Location:** Morlancourt is a village approximately 6.5 kilometres south of Albert. Morlancourt British Cemetery No.1 (called for some years Morlancourt Military Cemetery) is on the west side of the village, near the road to Ville-sur-Ancre.
- Historical Information:** The village of Morlancourt was a quiet place, used by Field Ambulances, in 1916; but it was captured by the enemy at the end of March, 1918. Local operations in May and June brought the British line nearer to it; but the village remained in German hands until the 9th August, when it was taken by the 1/1st Cambridgeshire Regiment and Tanks. It was later "adopted" by the Borough of Folkestone. Morlancourt British Cemetery No. 1 was made by Field Ambulances in June and July, 1916. There are now over 70, 1914-18 war casualties commemorated in this site. Of these, a small number are unidentified. Five German graves have been removed to another place of burial. The cemetery covers an area of 528 square metres and is enclosed by a low flint wall. One grave, of September, 1915, was brought to this cemetery in 1926 from MORLANCOURT COMMUNAL CEMETERY.