

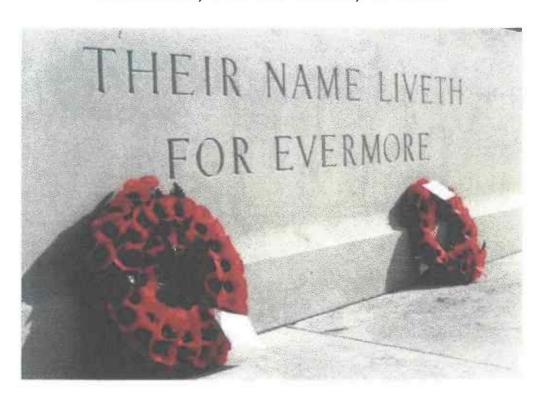
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Remembered with honour RUE-DU-BACQUEROT No.1 MILITARY CEMETERY, LAVENTIE, Pas de Calais, France.



In the perpetual care of the Commonwealth War Graves Commission

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Commemorative Information

Cemetery:

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Calais, France

Grave Reference/ Panel Number: II. G. 18.

Location:

Laventie is a village in the Department of the Pas-de-Calais, 6 kilometres south-west of Armentieres and 11 kilometres north of La Bassee. Leave Laventie on the D174 at the junction with the D169, which is 2 kilometres from the church. Turn right, cross the D173 and continue straight on for another 1.5 kilometres, then turn right into the farmyard. The cemetery is straight in front of you.

Historical Information:

The Rue-du-Bacquerot runs South-East of the village, from the Estaires-La Bassee road towards Fleurbaix; and the position of this road close behind the British front trenches, during the greater part of the War, made it the natural line of a number of small British cemeteries. One of these, begun by the Indian Corps in November, 1914, was the nearest to the Estaires-La Bassee road, and became known as No. 1. The cemetery was used until May, 1917, and for short periods in 1918, by the units holding the line; and after the Armistice the small Indian plots were enlarged by the concentration of graves from the battlefields and from smaller burials grounds. There are now over 600, 1914-18 war casualties commemorated in this site. Of these, over 60 are unidentified and special memorials are erected to twelve soldiers. The cemetery (excluding the short access path) covers an area of 3,528 square metres. It is divided by a road, and both parts are enclosed by stone rubble walls. Nineteen of the Indian graves were brought in from RUE-DES-CHAVATTES INDIAN CEMETERY, LACOUTURE.

Display Record of Commemoration

No. 2981, Pte. SIDNEY JOHN CARDY

Sidney John Cardy was born in Nayland, Suffolk in 1895, the third child of Albert C. Cardy and his wife Eliza. Albert was a Horseman on a farm and consequently moved from farm to farm in search of work. Eliza was born in Great Cornard and Albert along with the eldest son Charles, were born in Wissington, Suffolk (1901 Census). Sometime between 1901 and 1914, Albert and his family move to "River View", Spout Lane, Little Cornard.

Sidney enlisted in Sudbury and served initially in the 2/5th Battalion, the Suffolk Regiment, which was formed in Bury St. Edmunds in October 1914. At the time of his death, he was attached to the 2/5th Gloucestershire Regiment, which was part of the 184th Brigade, 61st (2nd South Midland) Division.

The 2/5th Glosters arrived in LE HARVE, on 25th May 1916, and were sent into line at the front, from billets at LE SART, on 31st May.

The following extract is from, "The Story of 2/5th Gloucestershire Regiment" by A.F. Barnes MC.

"On May 31st [1916] a move was made from LE SART, to RIEZ BAILLEUL. After meeting guides from the London Welsh, the troops moved up to the trenches. This part of the line was known as Duck's Bill Sector, on account of the huge crater of that name that lay on the left front and was connected to the line by a sap. The sector was officially known as the Moated Grange Sector. The weeks instruction passed quietly though the battalion sustained 8 casualties. A return to LE SART was made on June 8th."

Sidney was entitled to The British War, and Victory Medals.

Sidney was killed, during this relatively quite spell, during subsidiary spring actions, on The Somme, on 4th June 1916 and is buried in Rue-Du-Bacquerot No.1 Cemetery, Laventie, Pas de Calais.

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