





Thiepval Memorial to the Missing of the Somme

The imposing memorial carries the names of over 73,000 soldiers who have no known grave and who fell between October 1915 and March 1918.

Designed by Sir Edwin Lutyens, the memorial was built between 1928 and 1932 and is the largest Commonwealth Memorial to the Missing in the world. It was inaugurated by the [Prince of Wales](#) (later [King Edward VIII](#)) in the presence of [Albert Lebrun](#), [President of France](#), on 1 August 1932.^[1] The unveiling ceremony was attended by Lutyens.^[4]

The memorial dominates the rural scene and has 16 brick [piers](#), faced with [Portland stone](#). It was originally built using French bricks from [Lille](#), but was refaced in 1973 with [Accrington brick](#).^{[2][5]} The main

arch is aligned east to west.^[6] The memorial is 140 feet (43 m) high, above the level of its podium, which to the west is 20 feet (6.1 m) above the level of the adjoining cemetery.^{[6][7]} It has foundations 19 feet (5.8 m) thick, which were required because of extensive wartime tunnelling beneath the structure.^[6]



Ten Clapham Old Xarerians Remembered at the Thiepval Memorial

Albert Palmer Born 1896`- Died 15th Sep 1916. Age 20 Remembered Thiepval Mem.9D 9C 13C

Lived in Southwark

Parents Charles & Jane Palmer, 6, Washington House, Mardyke Street, Old Kent Road, London

Service number 3698 - Private in London Regiment 1st/20th Battalion

Fought and died in the Battle of Flers–Courselette on 15th Sept 1916. Aged 20

Harry George Brewer Born. 1889 – Died 15th Sept 1916. Remembered Thiepval Mem. 13A 13B

Lived in Reading

Born in Oxford. - Parents, Frank and Emma Brewer, 653 Oxford Road, Reading

Service No. C/6276 - Lance Sergeant in Kings Royal Rifle Corps

Fought and died at the battle of Flers–Courselette between 15th Sept 1916 Aged 27

Henry Edmund Bulbeck Born, 1894. Died 16th Nov 1916. Age 22. Remembered Thiepval 8C 9A 16A

Parents, Henry and Winifred Bulbeck, The Rookery, North Road, Clapham Park London

Wounded in Gallipoli while serving with 2nd Battalion Royal Fusiliers. Served on the Western Front as Lieutenant in London Regiment 20th Battalion.

Survived the Battle of Flers- Courselette and Battle of Morval. Died in the attack on Butte de Warlecourt on the Albert to Bapaume Road on 16th Nov 1916

Gerald Francis Brady Born 1889 – Died 26th Sept 1916. Remembered Thiepval Mem. 7B

Lived in Beckenham. Born in Middlesex

Service No. 14981 Private in the 5th Battalion Dorsetshire Regiment.

Died in the Battle of Thiepval Ridge 26th Sep 1916. Aged 27

Walter Sydney John Stevens. Born 1895 – Died 7th July 1916. Remembered Thiepval Mem. 11A

Born in London 1895. Lived in Notting Hill.

2nd Lieutenant in the Loyal North Lancashire Regiment

Died at The Battle of Albert 7th July 1916. Aged 21

John Rice Born 31st May 1894. Died 1st Mar 1917. Remembered Thiepval Mem. 6B & 6C

Born St Giles, Middlesex. Lived in New Malden, Surrey

Service Number 22416 Lance Corporal in the 8th Battalion East Surrey Regiment.

Died in skirmishes after the Battle of Miraumont 17th February 1917 Aged 23

George Edward Stevens. Died 20th August 1916 Remembered in Thiepval Mem. 7C

Born in Lambeth. Lived in Southwark

Service No. G/5493 Lance Corporal in 2nd Battalion Royal Sussex Regiment

Died in Battle of Albert 20th August 1916. Aged 27

Bernard Davey Born 3rd May 1897 Died 18th October 1916. Remembered Thiepval Mem.D10

Born Woodford, Essex. Lived Ilford. Parents Arthur & Elizabeth Dvey, 1 Northbrook Road, Ilford.

Service no. 43546. Private in 9th Battalion Essex Regiment

Died in the Battle of The Ancre Heights 18th October 1916. Aged 19

Ambrose Joseph Wilkinson. Died 26th September 1916 Remembered Thiepval Mem. 12D & 13B

Born 27 August 1892 in Peckham Lived in Honeywell Road, Battersea.

Lieutenant in 12th Battalion Middlesex Regiment

Died attacking the German held Chateaux at Thiepval in the Battle of Albert 26th Sep 1916. Aged 26

Leonard Gloyn Brett Born 5th August 1889 Remembered at Thiepval Mem. 13C

Born Stockwell. Lived Rodenhurst Road, Clapham

Service no. 4056 Rifleman in London Westminster Rifles

Died at the Battle of Albert 1st July 1916. Aged 27. Lost attacking Quadrilateral at Gommecourt

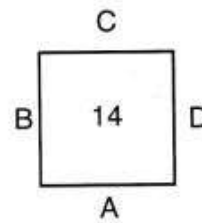
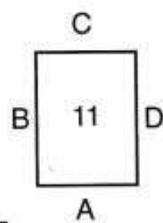
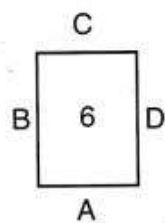
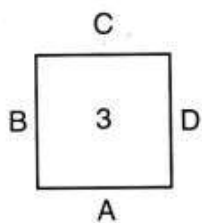
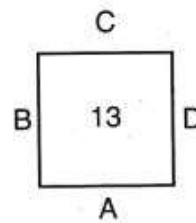
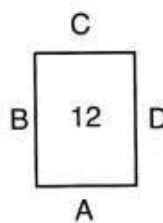
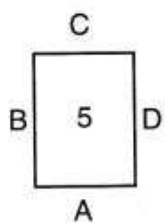
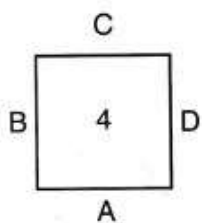
Names of the fallen inscribed on the 16 piers in alphabetical Regimental Order

300 French graves

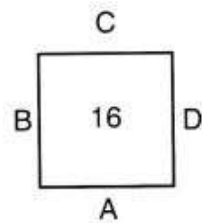
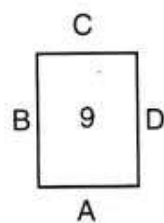
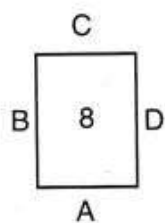
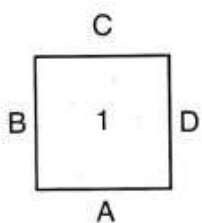
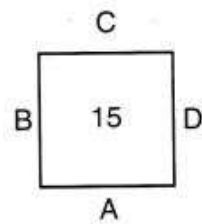
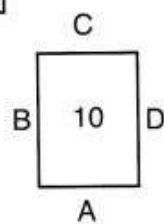
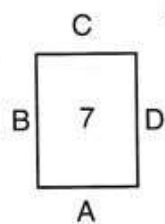
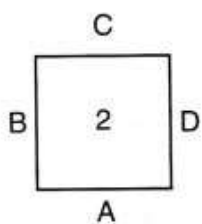
300 British graves



Cross of Sacrifice



Stone of Remembrance

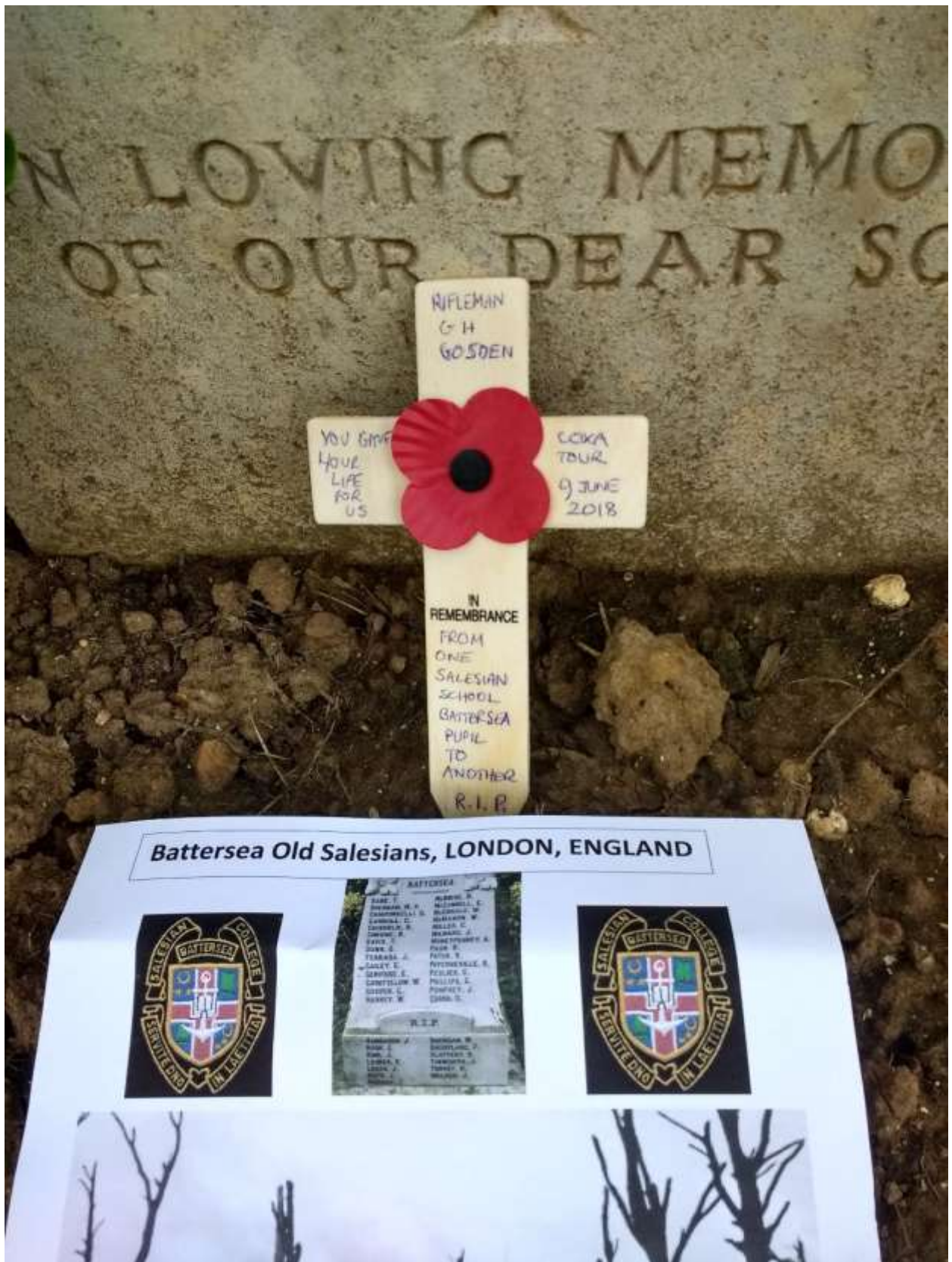


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G. H. GOSDEN
KING'S ROYAL RIFLE CORPS
1ST JULY 1916 AGE 21





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RIFLEMAN
G.H.
GOSDEN

YOU GIVE
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Battersea Old Salesians, LONDON, ENGLAND





