

# Codford War Graves



*Lest we Forget*

## World War I

40212 PRIVATE

**C. J. HARVEY**

N.Z. CANTERBURY REGT.

7TH MAY, 1918 Age 25



*Commonwealth War Graves Headstone for Private C. J. Harvey is located in Third Row (Left Hand Side) Grave Plot # 67 of Codford War Graves Cemetery (Using Map by Brian Marshall)*

*(CWGC Reference - Grave # 110)*

Charles John Harvey was born on 20<sup>th</sup> May, 1892 in New Zealand, the son of George & Eleanora Margaret Dora Harvey (nee Brunning). (His parents had both been born in New Zealand). He was a 24 year old, single, Labourer from Sandy Bay, Nelson, New Zealand when he enlisted on 19<sup>th</sup> October, 1916 with the New Zealand Expeditionary Force. His service number was 40212 & his religion was Church of England. His next of kin was listed as his father – George Harvey of Sandy Bay, Nelson, New Zealand. On his Attestation Papers, Charles Harvey left the name of his mother blank but he filled out that she had been born in New Zealand.

Pte Charles John Harvey was admitted to Hospital on 27<sup>th</sup> November, 1916 whilst at Trentham Camp, New Zealand suffering from Measles. He was discharged on 13<sup>th</sup> December, 1916.

Private Charles John Harvey embarked with 23<sup>rd</sup> Reinforcements, Canterbury Infantry Regiment, C Company from Wellington, New Zealand on HMNZT (80) *Corinthic* on 2<sup>nd</sup> April, 1917, destination England. He disembarked at Devonport, England on 10<sup>th</sup> June, 1917.

Private Charles John Harvey was marched in to Sling Army Camp, Wiltshire on 10<sup>th</sup> June, 1917. He left Sling Army Camp on 6<sup>th</sup> July, 1917 for France.

Pte Harvey was attached on Strength at Etaples, France on 9<sup>th</sup> July, 1917 & joined 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion Canterbury Regiment on 25<sup>th</sup> July, 1917.

On 27<sup>th</sup> August, 1917 Pte Harvey was admitted to Hospital with influenza.

Pte Harvey embarked for England on 6<sup>th</sup> October, 1917 & was admitted to No. 2 New Zealand General Hospital at Walton, Surrey. He was transferred to Manor War Hospital at Epsom, Surrey on 16<sup>th</sup> October, 1917.

Pte Harvey was again transferred on 10<sup>th</sup> December, 1917 to New Zealand Convalescent Hospital at Hornchurch & again to New Zealand Fever Hospital at Tottenham on 30<sup>th</sup> December, 1917.

Pte Harvey was returned to New Zealand Convalescent Hospital at Hornchurch on 9<sup>th</sup> January, 1918.

Pte Harvey forfeited 3 days gross pay for being absent without leave from 9.30 p.m. to 10.15 p.m. on 23<sup>rd</sup> February, 1918 & breaking in & out of Hospital.

Pte Harvey was attached on strength to New Zealand Command Depot at Codford, Wiltshire on 4<sup>th</sup> April, 1918.

Pte Harvey was admitted to No. 3 New Zealand General Hospital on 21<sup>st</sup> April, 1918 with influenza.

Private Charles John Harvey died on 7<sup>th</sup> May, 1918 at No. 3 New Zealand General Hospital at Codford, Wiltshire of Acute Nephritis.

A death for Charles J. Harvey, aged 26, was registered in the June quarter, 1918 in the district of Warminster, Wiltshire, England.

Private Charles John Harvey was buried at St. Mary's Cemetery, Codford on 10<sup>th</sup> May, 1918 at 2.30 p.m.

Private Charles John Harvey, 40212 was last attached to 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion, Canterbury Infantry Regiment.

Private Charles John Harvey was entitled to British War Medal & Victory Medal. A Memorial Scroll & Memorial Plaque were also sent to Pte Harvey's father – Mr G. Harvey of Sandy Bay, Nelson, New Zealand (June, 1921 & January, 1922)

(40 pages of Private Charles John Harvey's Service records are available for On Line viewing at Archives New Zealand website).

*Information obtained from the Archives New Zealand, Auckland War Memorial Museum, Commonwealth War Graves Commission & PapersPast, National Library of New Zealand.*

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*Pte Charles John Harvey*

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## Newspaper Reports

### SICK AND WOUNDED

#### CANTERBURY DISTRICT

Dangerously Ill

Harvey, C. J., 40212, Sandy Bay

*(Evening Post, Volume XCV, Issue 108, 7 May, 1918)*

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### ROLL OF HONOUR

#### NEW ZEALAND ARMY

#### TO-DAY'S CASUALTY LIST

#### CANTERBURY DISTRICT

DIED OF SICKNESS

Harvey, C. J., 40212, C.I.R. (G. Harvey, Sandy Bay, f), 7<sup>th</sup> May

*(Evening Post, Volume XCV, Issue 114, 14 May, 1918)*

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Private C. J. Harvey has a Commonwealth War Graves Headstone. None of the New Zealand CWGC headstones at Codford have a personal inscription.

Photo of Private C. J. Harvey's Headstone at Codford War Graves Cemetery (below)



*(Photo courtesy of Romy Wyeth)*