

Grace Margaret Marley 1893 - 12th October 1916

Probationer Nurse - Territorial Force Nursing Service, 2nd Southern General Hospital,
Daughter of Mr. Duncan & Mrs. Catherine S. Marley of, The Briars, 11, Sandridge Road, Melksham.



Funeral of Nurse Marley

The funeral of the late Miss Grace Margaret Marley, who passed away on Thursday last, after a very serious operation, took place at St. Michaels Church Cemetery, Melksham on Monday afternoon. The deceased, was attached to the nursing staff at the 2nd Southern General Hospital, Bristol, was very much loved by all those connected with the military and civil side of the Infirmary. Previous to the removal of the body by motor to Melksham, a memorial service was held at the Infirmary Chapel, which was attended by the Matron (Miss Baillie), sisters, nurses, and maids of the institution, and was conducted by the Chaplain (Rev. B.P. Bickoff), assisted by Canon Alford (Chaplain to the Forces).

Upon the arrival of the cortege at Melksham, it was met by the relatives and friends of the deceased, who followed to the parish church, where the service was conducted by the the Rev. Bartlett, senior curate, in the presence of a large congregation. The principal mourners were Mr & Mrs Marley (parents), Mr. N and Miss Marley (brother and sister), Mr and Mrs McEwen, Mr and Mrs G. Hurn, Mrs Hurn, Mr and Mrs Pickford, Mr and Mrs Watkin, Mrs Joliffe, Mrs Long, Mrs Alford, Mrs Roy, Mr Chivers, Mr Ogle (who presided at the organ), Colonel Prowse, 2nd Southern General Hospital, Sister Kennedy, Nurse N.M. Smith, Nurse Hardiman, Nurse Withershaw, Bristol Royal Infirmary.

The whole of the funeral arrangements were entrusted to Mr E. Edwards, 1 Alma Vale Road, Clifton.

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St. Michael's and All Angels Parish Church & Cemetery

MELKSHAM URBAN DISTRICT.
CHURCH
 MELKSHAM/CEMETERY belongs to St. Michael's Church, and is separated from the Churchyard by Church Walk.

GODWIN, Serjt. A. W. W., 18968. 6th (Wiltshire Yeomanry) Bn. Wiltshire Regt. 17th July, 1918. At North end of new part.

HAINES, Pte. W. H., 201551. 4th Bn. Wiltshire Regt. 3rd July, 1918. Age 20. Son of Henry and Mary Jane Haines, of 40, Forest Rd., Melksham. Born at Trowbridge. At South end of new part.

MARLEY, Prob. Grace Margaret. 2nd Southern Gen. Hosp. Territorial Nursing Service. 12th Oct., 1916. Age 23. Daughter of Mrs. Catherine S. Marley, of The Briars, 11, Sandridge Rd., Melksham.

OWEN, Pte. J. A., SS/23202. Royal Army Service Corps. Died of sickness 6th Nov., 1919. Age 48. Son of George and Elizabeth Owen, of St. Michael's, Bristol; husband of Rosa Emma Shelland (formerly Owen), of 211, Coronation Rd., Southville, Bristol. Near North side of old part.

PARK, Cpl. C., 7112. 5th Bn. Wiltshire Regt. 9th Sept., 1919. Age 34. Son of Mrs. Louisa Park, of 19, Woodrow Rd., The Forest, Melksham. At South end of new part.

SYDEE, Pte. W-P, 320417. Royal Wiltshire Yeomanry. 20th June, 1918. At South end of new part.

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According to the profile of Grace Marley on Forces War Records, it was likely from the information available, that she was would have been entitled to the Victory Medal, the 1914-15 Star and the British War Medal.



Information:

The Territorial Force Nursing Service (TFNS) was established in 1909 as a sister organisation to QAIMNS (Queen Alexandria's Imperial Military Nursing Service). It's purpose was to supplement the regular service in emergencies and all it's members worked as nurses in civilian life. It was renamed the Territorial Army Nursing Service (TANS) in 1920, when the Territorial Force was renamed the Territorial Army. It existed until 1949, when it became the Territorial Army Branch of QARANC.

