

Lieutenant

Gwatkin

Robert Torrington

6th Dragoon Guards (Carabiniers)



Date of Death 23 April 1917.
Place of Death Manor House, Potterne.
How Died Committed suicide by shooting.

Birth Registration Born 10 Sept 1885. Baptised 28 Oct 1885 at Potterne St. Mary.
Place of Birth Potterne.
Residence Manor House, Worton Road, Potterne (1891 census).
West Acre, Harrow on the Hill, Hendon, Middx (1901 census, Boarder)
Manor House, Worton Road, Potterne(1911 census)

Occupation Officer, 6th Dragoon Guards.
Father Major Joshua Reynolds Gascoigne Gwatkins.
Mother Arundel Augusta Penruddocke.
Siblings Arundel Theophila.
Marital Status Single.

Where Buried Potterne St. Mary Churchyard.
Plot Location Near east boundary wall (death registered at Devizes).
Memorials Brass Memorial inside Church.

Notes Brass Memorial inside Church and memorial in churchyard.

His name was not included on the War Memorial.
Memorial Committee Meeting minutes of 23 November 1920 recorded that "Mr. E. Hampton here tendered a petition from Mr & Mrs Gwatkins and was requested to read the heading which dealt with the placing of their sons name onto the memorial"; "The Chairman explained that as Chairman he could not receive this petition as it was not addressed to him"; "That the Committee confirm their former resolution, and greatly regret that they do not consider Lieut. R. Gwatkins name eligible for the Memorial and this was carried" (Source: WSHC).

Until he was accepted for commemoration as war dead on 22nd March 2011, he had not been regarded as a Casualty of the Great War. (Source: www.greatwarform.org - new CWGC Commemorations)

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