



## WWI Casualty

### Henry Blagden

Surname	Given Names	Rank	Number	Regiment	Attachment	Date of Death		Age at Death	
						Year	Date		
Blagden	Henry	Lance Corporal	PO/6388	Royal Marine Light Infantry	Portsmouth Battalion, Royal Naval Division	1915	27th August		
Date of Birth									
Date of Birth		Place of Birth	Father		Mother		Baptised		
Year	Date		Surname	Given Names	Maiden Name	Given Names	Year	Date	Place
1871	15th September	West Lavington	Blagden	James	Earley	Ann	1871	5th November	West Lavington
Census Information									
Year	Surname	Given Names	Status	Age	Occupation	Place of Birth	Relationship to Head		
Duck Street, West Lavington									
1881	Blagden	James	Married	64	Agricultural Labourer	West Lavington	Head		
	Blagden	Ann	Married	40	Labourers Wife	Erlestoke	Wife		

	Blagden	William	Unmarried	16	Blacksmith	West Lavington	Son	
	Blagden	Elizabeth		14	Domestic	West Lavington	Daughter	
	Blagden	Henry		9	Scholar	West Lavington	Daughter	
	Blagden	Virtue		7	Scholar	West Lavington	Daughter	
	Blagden	Jane		5	Scholar	West Lavington	Daughter	
	Blagden	Alfred		3	Scholar	West Lavington	Son	
	Blagden	Edward		1	Infant	West Lavington	Son	
<b>Church Street, West Lavington</b>								
1891	Bailey	Job	Married	37	Agricultural Labourer	Great Cheverell	Head	
	Bailey	Ann	Married	49		Erlestoke	Wife	
	Blagdon	Henry	Unmarried	19	Agricultural Labourer	West Lavington	Son	
	Blagdon	Alfred		13	Agricultural Labourer	West Lavington	Son	
	Blagdon	Walter		9	Scholar	West Lavington	Son	
	Blagdon	James		6	Scholar	West Lavington	Son	
Portsmouth Royal Sailors Home, Queen Street, Portsea								
1901	Blagden	Henry	Unmarried	30	Private, Royal Marine Light Infantry	Portsmouth, Hampshire	Boarder	
	<b>OPC Note:- This is the only Henry Blagden listed in the 1901 census that fits the search criteria. It should be noted that the birthplace is listed as Portsmouth, which could be an error. Naturally it may be that the having enlisted into the Royal Marine Light Infantry in 1892 the Henry Blagden we seek may have been serving abroad at the time of the 1901 Census.</b>							
Aboard H.M.S. Cochrane, Portsmouth Harbour, Portsmouth, Hampshire								
1911	Blagdon	Henry	Unmarried	40	Private, Royal Marine Light Infantry	West Lavington		
<b>Military Service Record</b>								
<b>Enlistment Details</b>								
Year	Date	Place	Age			Trade	Religion	
			Years	Months	Days			
1892	15th June	Aberdare, Glamorganshire				Collier		
1904	6th July	Re-engaged	Discharged length of service 14th June 1913					
1914	2nd August	Mobilised	Portsmouth Battalion at Ostend, Dunkirk & Antwerp in 1914					
1915	28th February	Served with	Marine Expeditionary Force until his death					

Physical Description										
Height		Complexion	Eye Colour	Hair Colour	Distinguishing Marks					
Feet	Inches									
Next of Kin										
Surname	Given Names	Status	Relationship	Abode						
Blagden	Thomas		Brother	Bratton, Wiltshire						
Details of Death										
Date of Death		Cause of Death	Theatre of War	Ships Name	War Gratuity Paid					
Year	Date				Year	Date	£	s.	d.	Recipient
1915	27th August	Killed in Action	Gallipoli							
Grave Location										
Cemetery								Plot Number		
No Known Grave										
War Memorials and Commemorations										
Memorial Name and Location								Panel Number		
Helles Memorial, Turkey								Panel 2 to 7		
Commemorated on the St. James, Bratton Roll of Honour										
Commemorated on the Bratton War Memorial										
Other Significant Information										
His father James Blagden died in November 1884 and was buried in St. Mary Churchyard, Market Lavington on 8th November 1884										
His mother remarried on 22nd April 1889 at All Saints, West Lavington (recorded as Sarah Ann Blagden, widow)										
Awarded the 1914 Star and Clasp, Victory & British War Medal; 1914 Star Medal without clasp issued to T. Blagden, Brother on 11th November 1919										
The only connection made to Bratton is that his named next of kin, brother Thomas, was resident in the village.										
From our research at this stage we cannot find a memorial to Henry in West Lavington										
No information has come to light regarding his occupation of Collier before enlistment at Aberdare. Aberdare, Glamorganshire would have been a mining area which had increased production from the mid 1870s. Many Wiltshire men who could no longer find readily available work on the land migrated to the coal fields of South Wales and it would appear that Henry was one of them.										



Bratton St. James Roll of Honour



Bratton War Memorial



Bratton War Memorial, Inscription Plinth

Helles Memorial, Turkey →

