



WWI Casualty

Lance Corporal, Charles Wyndham Barnes - North Bradley (Yarnbrook), West Lavington & Westbury (Heywood)

Surname	Given Names	Rank	Number	Regiment	Attachment	Date of Death		Age at Death	
						Year	Date		
Barnes	Charles Wyndham	Lance Corporal	11257	2nd Battalion, Wiltshire Regiment		1918	01-June	33	
Date of Birth									
Date of Birth		Place of Birth	Father		Mother		Baptised		
Year	Date		Surname	Given Names	Maiden Name	Given Names	Year	Date	Place
		Heywood, Westbury	Barnes	Frank Wyndham	Squires	Helena	1883	23-Dec	Holy Trinity, Heywood
Census Information									
Year	Surname	Given Names	Status	Age	Occupation	Place of Birth	Relationship to Head		
Ivy Cottage, Heywood, Westbury									

1891	Barnes	Frank W.	Married	33	Engine Fitter	Trowbridge	Head		
	Barnes	Helena	Married	32		Guilford, Surrey	Wife		
	Barnes	Charlie W.		7		Westbury	Son		
	Barnes	Nellie F. C.		2		Westbury	Daughter		
Dauntsey Agricultural School, High Street, West Lavington									
1901	Barnes	Charles W.	Single	17	Scholar	Westbury	Boarder		
Heywood, Westbury									
1911	Barnes	Frank Wyndham	Married	53	Engine Fitter	Trowbridge	Head		
	Barnes	Helena	Married	52		Guilford, Surrey	Wife		
	Barnes	Charles Wyndham	Single	27	Law Clerk	Westbury	Son		
	Barnes	Nellie Florence Christabelle	Single	22	Shop assistant	Heywood	Daughter		
	Barnes	Constance Winifred		10	School	Heywood	Daughter		
Military Service Record									
Enlistment Details									
Year	Date	Place	Age			Trade	Religion		
			Years	Months	Days				
1914	Before 24-Dec	Trowbridge				Law Clerk			
Physical Description									
Height		Complexion	Eye Colour	Hair Colour	Distinguishing Marks				
Feet	Inches								
Next of Kin									
Surname	Given Names	Status	Relationship	Abode					
Barnes	Violet Blanche	Widow	Wife	The Beeches, Yarnbrook					
Details of Death									
Date of Death		Cause of Death	Theatre of War	Ships Name	War Gratuity Paid				
Year	Date				Year	Date	£	s.	d.

1918	01-Jun	Killed in Action	France & Flanders, Western European Theatre		1918	18-Oct	9	10	4	His Widow
					1919	24-Dec	17	10	0	His Widow
Grave Location										
Cemetery						Plot Number				
No known grave.										
War Memorials and Commemorations										
Memorial Name and Location						Panel Number				
Soissons Memorial, Aisne, France										
Dauntsey School Roll of Honour, West Lavington										
Named in the Heywood Section of the Diocese of Salisbury Memorial Book, Salisbury Cathedral										
Other Significant Information										
Charles was education at Dauntseys Agricultural School, West Lavington										
Charles married Violet Blanche Eyers on 24th December 1914 at Holy Trinity, Heywood. He was 31 and his occupation was recorded as Private, in the Wiltshire Regiment										
On Saturday 1 June 1918 the Wiltshires were at Chambrecy, France and were expecting an attack. To their left was a French regiment and the Wiltshires had agreed with them to inform each other if they were going to retreat. The Germans heavily attacked the French during the morning and at 2pm the French informed the Wiltshires they were about to retire, the Wiltshires received no orders and stayed in position. At 4.30pm German machine gunners crept up on the left of the Wiltshires and opened fire but the Wiltshire[s] had to wait until 7.30pm until the order came to withdraw. It is likely that Charles was killed in action at this time										
At the time of Charles death his parents would resident at Hill Nest, Heywood, Westbury										
Charles was awarded the British War and Victory Medals										
Between 1915 and 1918 Charles sent 160 letters home to his mother. The collection of letters is held at the Wiltshire & Swindon History Centre, Cocklebury Road, Chippenham Ref: 4104/1. Included is a postcard written about the first week of the Battle of the Somme, giving an upbeat assessment of the battle.										



Soissons Memorial, Aisne, France