



Holy Trinity & Churchyard, Heywood, Westbury

## Young Soldier's Death

### After Short Illness

The tragic news of the death of Corporal Graham Philip Driscoll was received with deep regret by all who knew him in the Westbury District. He was the only son and the second child of Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Driscoll, of Heywood, who formerly lived at Bratton.

Graham, who was 20 years of age, had made many friends. Like most of his age, he was high-spirited, but he was also good-natured and chivalrous. He took an active interest in machinery and other modern inventions, and when he was called up under the Military Training Act, he joined the R. A. S. C., and began his training with enthusiasm. Unfortunately, shortly after Christmas he was taken seriously ill, and died on Thursday, January 18th. His untimely death removes one who could least be spared at this time, a good and loyal son, and a fine type of English youth.

The funeral took place at Heywood Parish Church on Tuesday afternoon. The principal mourners were: Mr. and Mrs. Driscoll (father and mother), Mrs. Holloway (sister), Mr. W. Prior (grandfather), Mr. R. Holloway (brother-in-law), Mrs. E. H. Smith, Miss D. Smith, and Mr. R. Smith (cousins), Mr. P. Driscoll (uncle), Mrs. Peters (aunt), Mr. and Mrs. P. Smith (godparents), and Mr. S. Preston (friend).

There was a large number of flowers.

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Mr. & Mrs. Driscoll and  
family wish to thank all who  
sent kind messages of sympathy  
in their ad bereavement, and  
beautiful floral tributes.

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#### OPC Notes:

R.A.S.C. is the Royal Army Service Corps. A photograph of the Graham's grave can be found in the Westbury - Heywood - Holy Trinity Churchyard found on the Westbury page of the website