

SITTINGBOURNE POST OFFICE  
MEMORIAL

IN HONOURED MEMORY  
OF THOSE MEMBERS OF THE  
SITTINGBOURNE POST OFFICE  
STAFF WHO FELL IN THE  
GREAT WAR 1914-18.

EDWARD BURLEY  
BARNARD CRAY  
FREDERICK CHARLES MEAD

*"FAITHFUL UNTO DEATH."*

ALSO OF  
ALFRED GORE  
IN THE  
WORLD WAR 1939-45

**EDWARD BURLEY**

**210809**  
**L/Cpl 15<sup>th</sup> Signal Co Royal**  
**Engineers**  
**Died of Wounds 30<sup>th</sup> July 1918**  
**Buried Senlis French National**  
**Cemetery**  
**Plot 2 Row A Grave 38**

**Barnard Gray**

**61637**  
**Private 9<sup>th</sup> Battalion Royal**  
**Fusiliers ex Buffs**  
**Killed in Action 27<sup>th</sup> March 1918**  
**Lived Key Street Post Office**  
**Barnards body was not identified**  
**after the war and his name is listed**  
**on the Pozieres Memorial.**

**PRIVATE B. GRAY, THE BUFFS.**

Mrs. B. Gray, who resides with her mother at Bobbing, has received the sad news of the death of her husband, Private Barnard Gray, of The Buffs (attached Royal Fusiliers), who has been killed in action. Pte. Gray, who was 33 years of age, was the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Gray, formerly of the Key Street Post Office, and now of Queenborough. He joined the Buffs about two years ago. Much sympathy is felt for the bereaved widow, who has been left with one child, aged eighteen months.

## FREDERICK CHARLES MEAD

L/8600

Private

1<sup>ST</sup> Battalion Buffs

Killed in action 20<sup>th</sup> December

1915 Ypres aged 26

Buried Dulhallow ADS Cemetery

Plot 6 Row A Grave 16



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A SOLDIER POSTMAN KILLED AT THE FRONT.—Mr. and Mrs. Mead, of Terrace-road, Sittingbourne, on Sunday received the sad news that their youngest son, Frederick Charles Mead, a private in the 1st Buffs, had been killed at the Front by a shell, death taking place on the previous Wednesday. Private Mead, who was 26 years of age, was an Army Reservist, and he took up duty as a postman, on the outdoor staff of the Sittingbourne Post Office, in the Lynsted and Newnham districts, three years ago. On mobilization he rejoined his regiment, the 1st Buffs, and had been in Flanders for over a year. He was home on leave two months ago, looking in the pink of health. Both in his regiment, and in the district he served on his postal deliveries, the young man will be remembered by the willing and conscientious way in which he carried out his duties. During the time he was at Sittingbourne Frederick Mead played centre-forward for the Sittingbourne Wednesday Football Club, and he was a prominent footballer in the matches between the Post Office and the Railwaymen. The two elder sons of Mr. and Mrs. Mead are in the Navy, so that all three sons, prior to the sad incident now reported, were serving their King and country. Out of the full staff of the Sittingbourne Post Office there are eighteen members on military and naval service, and Private Mead's death creates the first blank in this roll of honour. The young soldier was a general favourite with the postal staff, and in his postal district, and his death is genuinely mourned.

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