



**Private ALFRED HOLDEN**  
**93658, 17th Bn., Royal Welsh Fusiliers**



**H**E whom this scroll commemorates was numbered among those who, at the call of King and Country, left all that was dear to them, endured hardness, faced danger, and finally passed out of the sight of men by the path of duty and self-sacrifice, giving up their own lives that others might live in freedom. Let those who come after see to it that his name be not forgotten.

93658, PRIVATE, Alfred HOLDEN

17th Battalion.

Royal Welsh Fusiliers

Killed in action, France & Flanders, 29/10/18

Born: Blackburn, Lancs, Enlisted: Blackburn

FORMERLY 37294, SOUTH WALES BORDERERS.

**In Memory of  
Private ALFRED HOLDEN**

**93658, 17th Bn.,  
Royal Welsh Fusiliers**

**who died age 23 on 29 October 1918**

**Son of Alfred and Mary Ann Holden,  
of "Brooklands", Liverpool Rd., Hutton, Preston, Lancs.**

**Remembered with honour  
ENGLEFONTAINE BRITISH CEMETERY**



**Commemorated in perpetuity by  
the Commonwealth War Graves Commission**

**Name:** HOLDEN, ALFRED

**Initials:** A

**Nationality:** United Kingdom

**Rank:** Private

**Regiment/Service:** Royal Welsh Fusiliers

**Unit Text:** 17th Bn.

**Age:** 23

**Date of Death:** 29/10/1918

**Service No:** 93658

**Additional information:** Son of Alfred and Mary Ann Holden, of "Brooklands", Liverpool Rd., Hutton, Preston, Lancs.

**Casualty Type:** Commonwealth War Dead

**Grave/Memorial Reference:** C. 1.

**Cemetery:** [ENGLEFONTAINE BRITISH CEMETERY](#)

**Cemetery:** ENGLEFONTAINE BRITISH CEMETERY

**Country:** France

**Locality:** unspecified

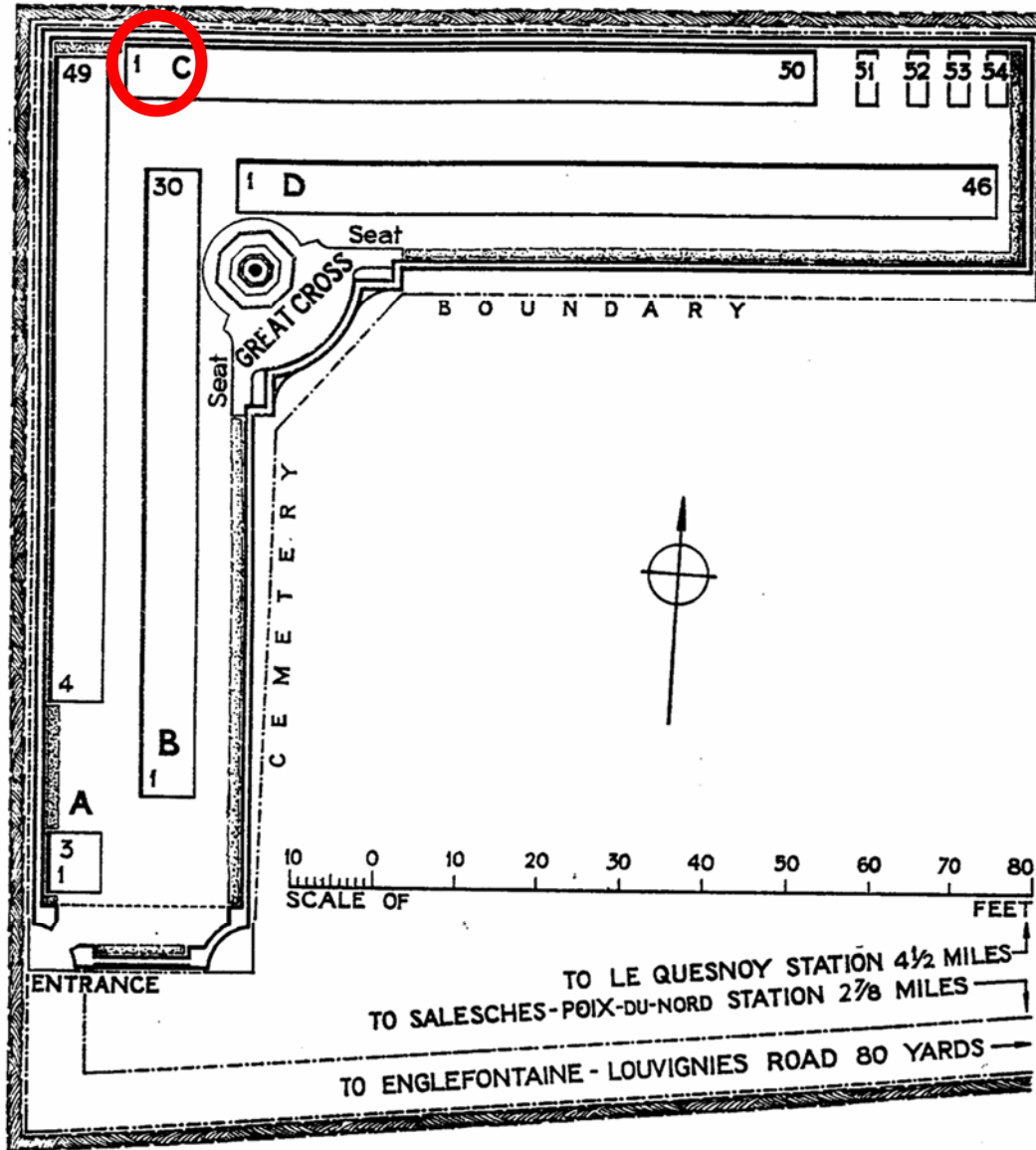
**Location Information:** Englefontaine is a town where the straight main road from Le Cateau (11 kilometres) to Bavay (16 kilometres) crosses the road from Le Quesnoy to Landrecies, on the western edge of the Forêt de Mormal. Englefontaine British Cemetery is north of the town, a short distance west of the road to Bavay (D932).

**Historical Information:** Englefontaine was captured by the 18th and 33rd Divisions on the 26th October, 1918. It was later "adopted" by the Borough of Cheltenham. Englefontaine British Cemetery was made by the Burial Officer of the 38th (Welsh) Division in November, 1918, and enlarged after the Armistice by the concentration of graves from Les Tuileries British Cemetery. There are now over 150, 1914-18 war casualties commemorated in this site. Of these, nearly 10 are unidentified. The cemetery covers an area of 586 square metres and is enclosed by a low rubble wall. LES TUILERIES BRITISH CEMETERY, ENGLEFONTAINE, was behind the garden of a house, on the North side of the road to Salesches, at a hamlet called Les Tuileries. It was made by the 33rd and 38th Divisions in November, 1918, and contained the graves of 55 soldiers from the United Kingdom.

**No. of Identified Casualties:** 170

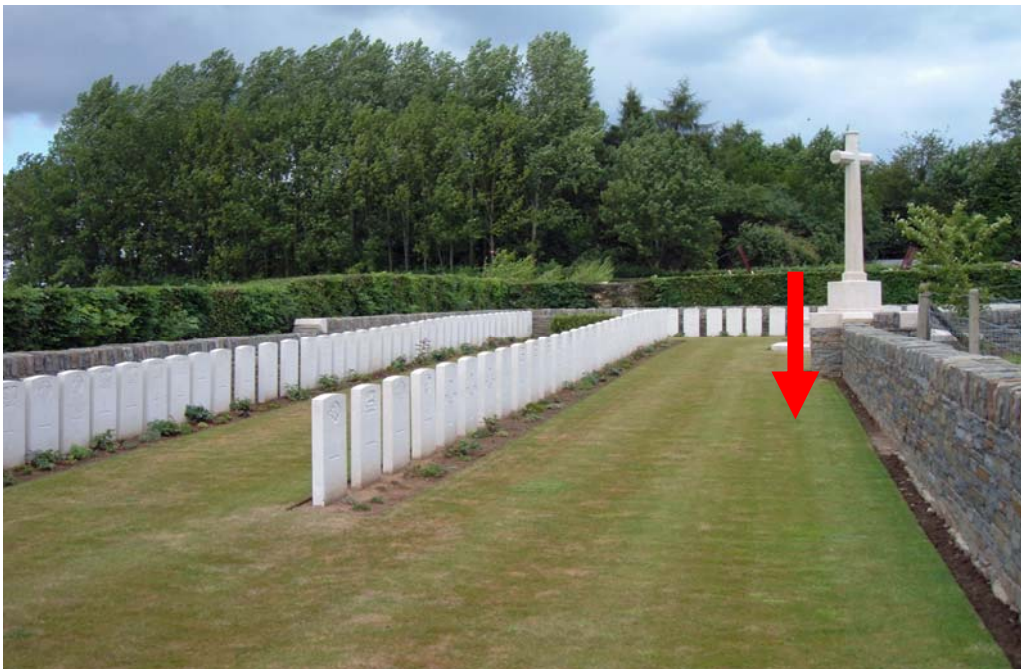
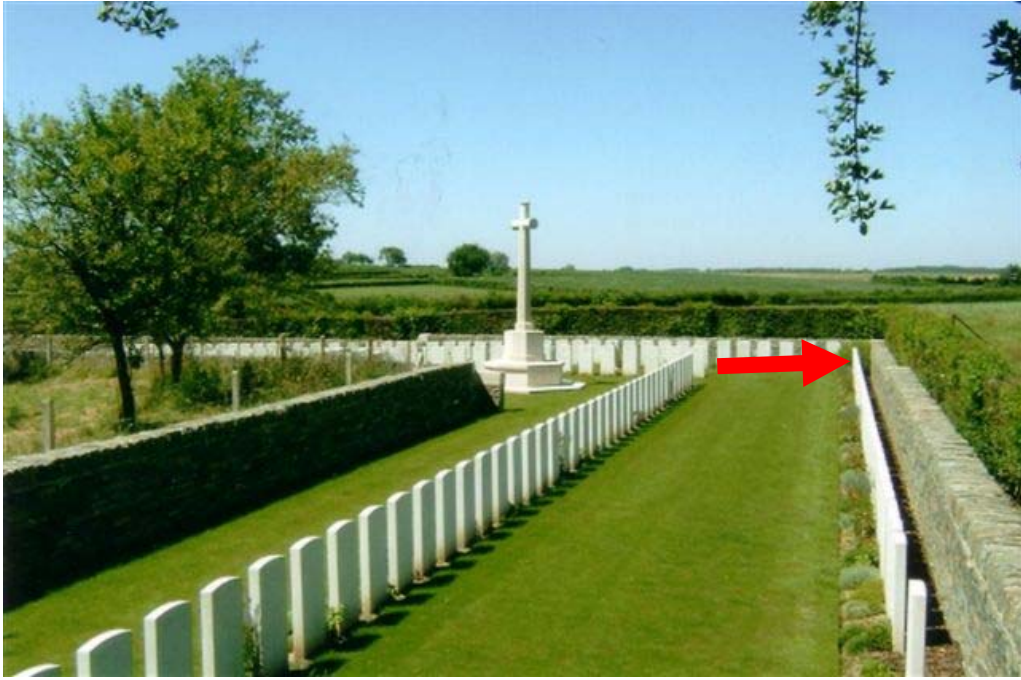
# Cemetery Plans

## ENGLEFONTAINE BRITISH CEMETERY



ENGLEFONTAINE BRITISH CEMETERY.

Private Alfred HOLDEN's grave at C. 1. Highlighted



**Views of Englefontaine British Cemetery  
indicating the location of Pte. Holden's grave at C.1**

## Private 93658 Alfred HOLDEN

**Private Alfred HOLDEN Jr.** second of five children, the others Dinah Mary 1897, Harry 1908 and HOLDEN Snr. and Mary Ann who themselves had been married Witton, Blackburn on 21 April, were born in Blackburn.



was born in 1895, the being Ethel 1894, Ruth 1909, to Alfred (BUTTERWORTH), at St. Mark's Church, 1894. All the children

The 1911 Census shows the family Terrace, Blackburn, and they must afterwards to Hutton near Preston, the running of a mixed goods shop corner with Liverpool Road, called "Brooklands".

in Brooklands have moved shortly eventually taking up in Skip Lane near the residing at a house

Alfred Snr. had at one time been an overlooker at a mill and young Alfred became a cotton cloth weaver in Blackburn following the completion of his education. It is believed that it was from Blackburn that **Alfred** was to join the military to go to war, signing up with the Royal Welsh Fusiliers 17<sup>th</sup> Battalion.

After training, the Regiment France and **Alfred** was killed just two weeks short of War. From the 8<sup>th</sup> August, became known as the 100 began with repeated attacks fronts and it was during these to lose his life. **Alfred** is C. 1 at the Englefontaine Cemetery some 25 kms east of Cambrai and is indicated at the end of the row.



moved over to subsequently the end of the 1918, what days offensive on all the Axis that Alfred was buried at grave village's British

In the week following **Alfred's** death, the Bulgarian, Turkish and Austro-Hungarian armies all sued for peace and Germany was in political turmoil. A change of political power quickly followed and Germany negotiated the now famous armistice in the railway carriage at Compiegne before strife threatened a revolution at home.

**Alfred's** father and mother are buried at St. Andrew's churchyard, Longton, and there is a memorial inscription to young **Alfred** on their headstone. They had moved for a time to live in Tolsey Drive, Hutton, but at the time of their deaths in 1951 and 1959 they were resident at the corner shop in Skip Lane.

**Alfred** was unmarried and had no children. A comprehensive family tree has been built up identifying the modern day descendants of the Holden family.

**Alfred** is remembered on the war memorial at St. Andrew's church, Longton.



**Barratt's Directory of Preston**

1922      Page 623

Alfred HOLDEN, overlooker, "Brooklands", Liverpool Road, Hutton

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## Lancashire Marriage indexes for the years: 1894

Surname	Forename(s)	Surname	Forename(s)	Church / Register Office	Registers At	Reference
HOLDEN	Alfred	BUTTERWORTH	Mary Ann	Witton, St Mark	Blackburn	<a href="#">CE32/3/268</a>

Total records matching : 1

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Blackburn Central  
in the County of  
-- Lancashire --

Marriage: 21 Apr 1894 St Mark the Evangelist, Witton, Lancashire,  
England

Alfred Holden - 22, Overlooker, Bachelor, Billinge Side

Mary Ann Butterworth - 21, Weaver, Spinster, 33 Bromley St.

Groom's Father: Joshua Holden, Overlooker

Bride's Father: Henry Butterworth, Weaver

Witness: William Henry Houldsworth; Elizabeth Alice Butterworth

Married by Banns by: Tracey W. Walker

Register: Marriages 1884 - 1897, Page 134, Entry 268

Source: LDS Film 1470814

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## Lancashire Birth indexes for the years: 1894

Surname	Forename(s)	Sub-District	Registers At	Mother's Maiden Name	Reference
HOLDEN	Ethel	Blackburn Northern	Blackburn	BUTTERWORTH	<a href="#">BN/34/54</a>

## Lancashire Birth indexes for the years: 1895

Surname	Forename(s)	Sub-District	Registers At	Mother's Maiden Name	Reference
HOLDEN	Alfred	Blackburn Northern	Blackburn	BUTTERWORTH	<a href="#">BN/39/39</a>

## Lancashire Birth indexes for the years: 1897

Surname	Forename(s)	Sub-District	Registers At	Mother's Maiden Name	Reference
HOLDEN	Dinah Mary	Blackburn Northern	Blackburn	BUTTERWORTH	<a href="#">BN/45/35</a>

## Lancashire Birth indexes for the years: 1907

Surname	Forename(s)	Sub-District	Registers At	Mother's Maiden Name	Reference
HOLDEN	Harry	Blackburn Northern	Blackburn	BUTTERWORTH	<a href="#">BN/78/58</a>

## Lancashire Birth indexes for the years: 1939

Surname	Forename(s)	Sub-District	Registers At	Mother's Maiden Name	Reference
HOLDEN	Ruth	Blackburn West	Blackburn	BUTTERWORTH	<a href="#">BW/4/59</a>

Total records matching : 5.

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**Joshua HOLDEN**

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**Alfred HOLDEN**

**b. 1872**

**m.**

**Dinah ???**

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**m.**

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**Henry BUTTERWORTH**

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**Mary Ann BUTTERWORTH**

21 April, 1894, St. Mark's, Witton, Blackburn,

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Ethel

!

b. 1894

Blackburn

!

m. James FLYNN

1925 St. Mary's,

Penwortham

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!

**Alfred**

!

**b. 1895**

**Blackburn**

!

**d. 29 Oct 1918**

**X**

!

Dinah Mary

!

b. 1897

Blackburn

!

m. Fred CUMPSTEY

St. Andrew's,

Longton, 1921

!

!

Harry

!

b.1908

Blackburn

!

d. 1971 (63)

!

**#1 m. Irene**

**POSTLETHWAITE**

!

Ruth

!

b. 1909

Blackburn

!



# LONGTON ST. ANDREWS



## THE GRAVE REGISTERS 1895 - 1987

<u>Name</u>	<u>Burial Date</u>	<u>Page No</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Other Details</u>	<u>Grave No</u>
HOLDEN, Alan	22.Sep.1980	137	49	Mill Brow Cottage, Liverpool Road, Hutton	NGC71
HOLDEN, Alfred War Memorial to Alfred HOLDEN	14.Aug.1959	142	87	Shop, Skip Lane, Hutton	ND142
HOLDEN, Irene	09.Mar.1933	484	22	Marsh Lane (Interred with James Postelthwaite)	14A
HOLDEN, Mary Ann	03.Jan.1951	142	78	The Shop, Skip Lane, Hutton, grave a little out of line and too near Liverpool Road	ND142
HOLDEN, Richard	23.Sep.1953	142	77	Hugh Barn Lane, New Longton	ND142

Registers 1895 – 1938

Registers 1938 - 1987



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## Lancashire Marriage indexes for the years: 1932

Surname	Forename(s)	Surname	Forename(s)	Church / Register Office	Registers At	Reference
HOLDEN	Harry	POSTLETHWAITE	Irene	Longton, St Andrew	Preston	<a href="#">220/1/470</a>

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## Lancashire Death indexes for the years: 1933

Surname	Forename(s)	Age	Sub-District	Registers At	Reference
HOLDEN	Irene	22	Preston East	Preston	<a href="#">PEAST/24A/90</a>

Total records matching : 1.

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## Lancashire Birth indexes for the years: 1933

Surname	Forename(s)	Sub-District	Registers At	Mother's Maiden Name	Reference
HOLDEN	Alan Alfred	Longton	Preston	POSTLETHWAITE	<a href="#">LONG/39/69</a>

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### Lancashire Marriage indexes for the years: 1957

Surname	Forename(s)	Surname	Forename(s)	Church / Register Office	Registers At	Reference
HOLDEN	Alan Alfred	LORD	Beth	Tunstead, Holy Trinity	Preston	<a href="#">CE25/7/35</a>
Total records matching : 1						

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## Lancashire Marriage indexes for the years: 1935

Surname	Forename(s)	Surname	Forename(s)	Church / Register Office	Registers At	Reference
HOLDEN	Harry	GRATRIX	Edna Annie Mary	Penwortham, St Mary	Preston	<a href="#">223/6/144</a>

Total records matching : 1

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### Lancashire Birth indexes for the years: 1938

Surname	Forename(s)	Sub-District	Registers At	Mother's Maiden Name	Reference
HOLDEN	Robert	Penwortham	Preston	GRATRIX	<a href="#">PENHAM/1/27</a>

### Lancashire Birth indexes for the years: 1939

Surname	Forename(s)	Sub-District	Registers At	Mother's Maiden Name	Reference
HOLDEN	David Garth	Penwortham	Preston	GRATRIX	<a href="#">PENHAM/1/75</a>

### Lancashire Birth indexes for the years: 1944

Surname	Forename(s)	Sub-District	Registers At	Mother's Maiden Name	Reference
HOLDEN	Anthony	Gratrix	Preston North East	Preston GRATRIX	<a href="#">PNE/19B/91</a>

### Lancashire Birth indexes for the years: 1949

Surname	Forename(s)	Sub-District	Registers At	Mother's Maiden Name	Reference
HOLDEN	Philip Michael	Preston	North East	Preston GRATRIX	<a href="#">PNE/31B/100</a>

Total records matching : 4.

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