

### Harry Walmsley

Private 1st/5th Bn. Duke of Wellington's  
(West Riding) Reg.  
d. 14/12/16



Pte Walmsley was the only local man who died during the war and was buried at home.

He died in London from a wound he received on the Somme.

His funeral was attended by large crowds, many of whom came because their loved ones would have no chance to be buried at home.

### W. Norman Slingsby

Corporal 33rd (WR Skipton) Bn. Home Guard  
d. 15/10/42



Cpl Slingsby, 2nd in command of his machine gun unit, was thrown from a lorry in Glusburn when it braked suddenly to avoid a dog.

Despite this rather "non-military" death, he has the only "War Graves" headstone. Harry Walmsley, the other soldier who qualified, died before the introduction of Max Gill's design which has been in use since 1917.

### Charles Henry Petty

Captain 6th Bn. Duke of Wellington's  
(West Riding) Reg.  
d. 2/6/21

Cpt Petty was wounded in the side by a bullet which ricocheted off a spade. In June 1915, he was returned home.



He was thought to be "safe and well again" and worked with his father as a yarn merchant in Bradford.

Sadly he died of his wounds six years later.



## James Scarborough Theodore Pollard

Private 2nd/4th Bn. Duke of Wellington's  
(West Riding) Regiment  
d. 7/10/19



Sent to France in 1916,  
Pte Pollard's service record in  
1918 listed him as a drummer.



Continuing to serve with the army after  
Armistice, he was finally demobilised in  
October 1919. He did not live very long  
to enjoy civilian life as he died of double  
pneumonia very shortly afterwards.

## John Allen Smith

Corporal 73rd Sqdn RAF d. 4/2/19



Cpl Smith first joined  
the Army but was  
transferred to the  
Royal Air Force. He  
served with the 73rd  
Squadron in France.



He was demobilised in  
January 1919  
but he died a week later  
"from the effects  
of active service".

## Commonwealth War Graves at St Andrew's, Kildwick

There are five War Graves  
in the Kildwick churchyard.

Only one, the recently restored memorial  
for Norman Slingsby which is in  
the new graveyard north of the canal,  
is marked by a memorial of the  
distinctive design and size  
of the Commonwealth War Graves  
Commission,  
but the Commission cares for them all  
– as they do for all war graves.

These graves are sited  
in different parts of the churchyard.  
Use the small maps on each page  
to find the graves.

**Happy Hunting!**