



Photo – Michael William Barrett

## WILFRED VARNISH BARRETT, Military Medal

2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant, 16<sup>th</sup> Battalion, Royal Warwickshire Regiment

Died of wounds in France on 28 September 1918, aged 32

Address: Windermere, 32 Shurdington Road

Wilfred Barrett was the eldest son of Charles William and Angharad Barrett of The Apiaries, Old Bath Road (at the top end of the east side). He was a market gardener, related to the family that ran the Victoria Nurseries in Charlton Lane.

He had previously served in the ranks as a sergeant, No 610969 in the 6<sup>th</sup>/19<sup>th</sup> Battalion of the London Regiment. After fighting in France from June 1915 his unit was sent to take part in the campaign in Salonica (now known as Thessalonika, in northern Greece), during which he was awarded the Military Medal. Back in France during the last weeks of the war, he was killed during the battle of Canal du Nord. He is buried in Grevilliers British Cemetery, Plot XII, Row C, Grave 11.

Wilfred Barrett left a widow, Agnes (née Wilkins), whom he had married at Leckhampton in February 1918 and who was living at the Shurdington Road address at the time of his death.

*Note: The above account revises what is written in Leaving All that was Dear and on some internet sites, using information supplied by the Barrett family historian.*

Grevilliers British Cemetery,  
near Calais, where Wilfred  
Barrett is buried

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