

WILLIAM GEORGE RUSSELL HAYES

He is recorded on the Combroom War Memorial as William George Russell Hayes but as George Hayes on the Combroom Church Roll of Honour.

He obviously did not attend Combroom School at any time as he is not on that Roll of Honour.

He was born in Gloucester in 1882 and married there in 1905.

At the time of the 1911 census he was resident at the Vicarage in Combroom where he worked as a gardener. His wife, Annie, also worked there as a domestic servant. According to the census return they had no children at that time.

George enlisted in Gloucester and served as a private in the 3rd Coldstream Guards. He arrived in France on 11th September 1914. He was killed in action on 15th September 1916, aged 30 years, at Ginchy in France and is commemorated on the Thiepval Memorial.

He was awarded the British War Medal, Victory Medal and the 1914 Star with clasp 2/2839, qualifying date 11/09/1914.

On the Commonwealth War Graves Commission web site his next of kin is given as Annie Maull of Walton Woodhouse, Wellesbourne. Annie remarried after George's death.

The website also says that he served in the South African Campaign.

In Memory of

Private

William George Russell Hayes

3651, 3rd Bn., Coldstream Guards who died on 15 September 1916 Age 33

Husband of Annie Maull (formerly Hayes), of Walton Woodhouse, Wellesbourne, Warwick. Also served in the South African Campaign.

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