

William Ernest Charles Woods

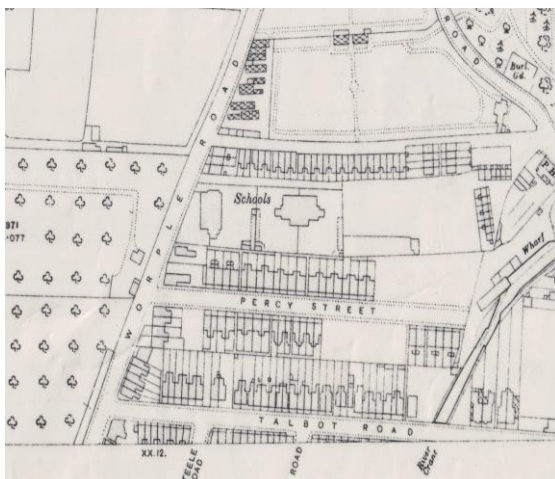
William Ernest was born on 24th November 1892 at 2 Charles Cottages, May Road in Twickenham. He was



the son of William Inkerman Woods, a house painter and Ella Kate Woods, nee Herring. William senior had been born in Croydon and Ella (christened Helena Kate) had been born in Richmond. They married in 1890. According to the 1911 census, William senior and Ella had 8 children of whom 5 survived. The surviving 5 were Lilian Alice born in 1891, William junior born in 1893, Clara Mabel Dorothy (sometimes called Mabel, sometimes called Dorothy!) born in 1895, Violet Beatrice born in 1900 and Percy John born in 1906.

The family lived in and around Twickenham for a while but by 1901, they had moved to 37 Napier Road in Isleworth, and in 1911 they were living at 8 Percy Road- *see below right for a photo taken in 2015*. Lilian was a domestic servant, as was Dorothy/Mabel who had left home by then, Violet and Percy were still at school. William junior had followed his father into the house painting trade and was labourer painter.

He joined up at the outbreak of war, enlisting at Hampton Hill on 25th August 1914. At that time the family had moved away from Isleworth and were living at 26 Victor Road, Teddington. He was posted to the 14th Battalion of the Middlesex Regiment. He died from his wounds in France on 5th May 1916 aged 23. He is buried in Bailleul Communal Cemetery Extension in Nord Pas-de-Calais. He was also remembered in the Memorial Chapel at All Saints Church, Isleworth.



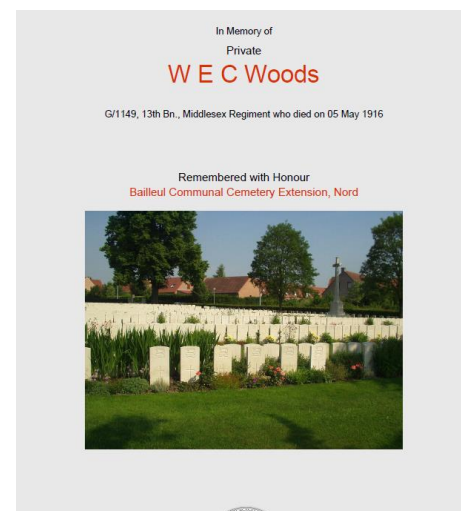
*Percy Street (Road) c1915
Ordnance Survey Map*



8 Percy Road, Isleworth in 2015



37 Napier Road, Isleworth in 2015



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