

EDGAR ALBERT IVOR FORTEY

**Private
10969**

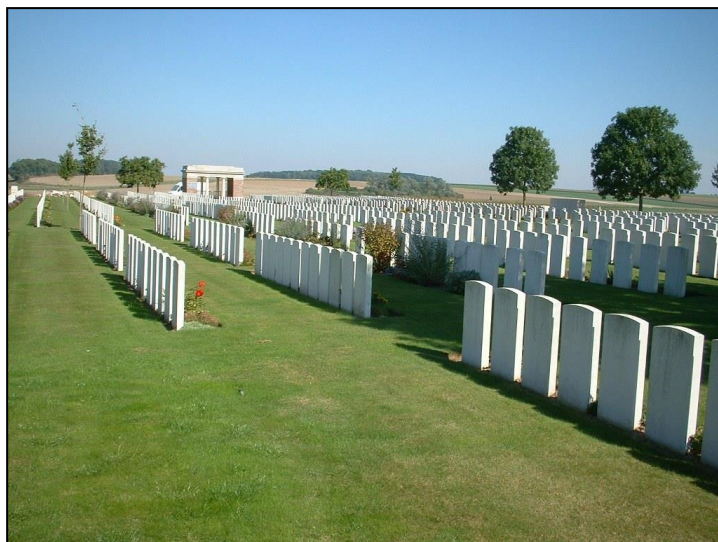
**1st Battalion, Royal Warwickshire Regiment
died on
Friday 16th February 1917
aged 21**

EDGAR ALBERT IVOR FORTEY
is buried in
FINS NEW BRITISH CEMETERY, SOREL-LE-GRAND
France

***Additional information in the
Commonwealth War Graves Commission Register***

Son of Daniel and Clara Fortey, of Hill Cottage, Much Marcle, Dymock, Glos.

Fins and Sorel were occupied at the beginning of April 1917, in the German Retreat to the Hindenburg Line. The first British burials at Fins were carried out in the Churchyard and the Churchyard Extension, It was used by fighting units (and Field Ambulances until March, 1918, when it comprised about 590 graves in Plots I to IV. It was then used by the Germans, who added 255 burials, including 26 British, in Plots IV, V, and VI. In September and October 1918, about 73 British soldiers were buried in Plots V and VI. Lastly, Plots VII and VIII were made by the concentration of 591 graves after Armistice from the surrounding battlefields and from other smaller cemeteries. There are now 1289, First World War casualties commemorated in this site. There are also 276 German burials here Bert Fortey is buried in Plot V11. Row B. Grave 10.



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MEMORIAL SERVICE AT MUCH MARCLE

A memorial service was held for two soldiers killed in action. Private Bert Fortey, Royal Warwickshire Regiment and Company Sergeant Major E G Morris Herefordshire Regiment, native of Much Marcle now residing in Ledbury

Campaign:—		1914-15		(A) Where decoration was earned.
				(B) Present situation.
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QUALIFYING DATE <i>11-9-15</i>				
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Edgar Albert Ivor Fortey was born in Pixley in 1895. He was one of the eight children of Daniel and Clara Fortey. Daniel Fortey was a domestic gardener in 1901 and in 1911 both Albert and his father were farm labourers. Albert enlisted in Atherstone Warwickshire and he joined the Warwickshire Regiment. He went with them to Gallipoli in September 1915 and then went with the 1st Battalion to France. Albert was killed in action in February 1917 and he is buried in Sorel-le-Grand.