

Hugh Holt Wharton

London Road, Holmes Chapel

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The home of the Wharton family



His Story

Hugh, son of Hugh Holt and Mary Wharton, was born on 4th March 1894 at Holmes Chapel and lived opposite St. Luke's Church, next to the passage leading to the present day Church Hall.

He spent his schooldays in the village and by 1911, aged 16, was working as an apprentice tailor. He may also have worked as a cowman at Brook Farm, Wheelock.

He married Sophia Dobson in August 1929 and is likely to have remained in the district until his death in May 1964 at the age of 70.

His War Record

Hugh was determined to do his duty and enlist but had been rejected once before when, in December 1916, he was accepted into the Royal Welsh Fusiliers. This was reported in the Parish Magazine and his name added to the Roll of Honour.

In January 1918 he was in hospital, though it is unclear whether he was ill or wounded. Between April and September 1919 he was with the regiment in India.