

## *William Francis Holland*

*Driver, Royal Horse Artillery*



William Holland (Shown as Hollands in most military records) was born on 20 May 1896 and lived in Ketford. Some records give his home town address as Dymock, possibly since this was the nearest postal address for Ketford and Pauntley. His parents were John Charles and Mary Ann Holland and his baptism records show that he was baptised in Pauntley church on 17<sup>th</sup> June 1894. The family address in 1911 was recorded as The Rock, Ketford. He had one older and two younger brothers, Harold, Horace and Frederick. His father had moved to Ebbw Vale in 1918 and was presumably a widower.

William served in England and died on 18 March 1915. He is buried in the Aldershot Military cemetery. William's military number was 77960.

He is not commemorated on any local War Memorial.

It is believed that William served only in the United Kingdom and therefore it is unlikely that he would be eligible for any campaign medals. However his family would have been eligible to receive the Commemorative Plaque and scroll from King George V which was sent to the families of all those who lost their lives whilst serving in the armed services during the war. It is not known if this was issued to William's family.

### Commemorative Plaque

