

## **WWII Casualty**

## Dennis George Gumm Private 5569491

Dennis (Denis) George Gumm was born in the March Quarter of 1911 and registered in the Westbury Registration District. He was born in Yarnbrook, North Bradley, the son of William Fred4erick and Lily Amy Gumm.

The 1911 census records the family at Yarnbrook and included the following members:-

William Frederick Gumm, Head, aged 34, Flour Millers Carter, born in Seend; Lily Amy, Wife, aged 29 born in Yarnbrook; Stanley Victor Trevor, Son, aged 5, born in North Bradley; Winifred Amy, Daughter, aged 3, born in Yarnbrook; Denis George, Infant Son, born in Yarnbrook.

Not much is known at present about Dennis between 1911 and the commencement of WWII.

We know that he married Gertrude Louise Masters in the December Quarter of 1934 and registered in the Westbury Registration District. There does not appear to be any children.

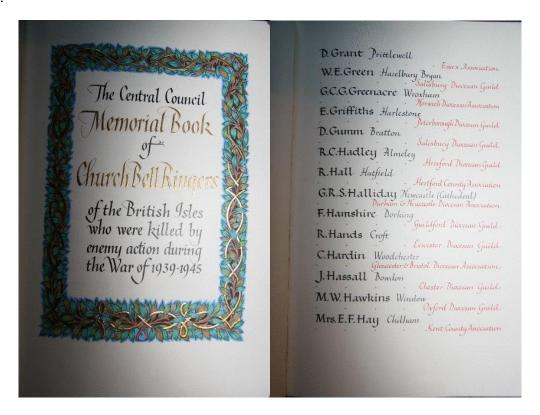
Dennis joined the 5th Battalion Wiltshire Regiment at some point during WWII. Serving in the North-West Europe Theatre of War.

Dennis was killed in action on the 7th August 1944 at the age of 33. Initially buried at Le Quesnel, Somme, France he was re-interred at Banneville-La-Campagne War Cemetery, Calvados, France - Grave/Memorial Reference:- XVI. E. 20 on the 24th June 1946.

The Headstone Inscription reads:- The Lord is My Shepherd, Therefore Can I Lack Nothing, Psalm XXIII

At the time of Dennis' reburial his widow, Gertrude Louise Gumm was resident at Chieveley, Berkshire.

Dennis is commemorated on page 10 of The Central Council Memorial Book of Church Bell-Ringers, St. Paul's Cathedral. London. He was a member of the Bratton Tower of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild.



Dennis is also named on the Westbury War Memorial, Edward Street, Westbury

