



## *Holt*

# *World War I Casualty Biographies*

### **SCRINE, Herbert**

Herbert Scrine was born Holt 1889, 4th son of Francis (1849, Holt), a stonemason and Jane (1849, Melksham). In 1891 the family was living on Great Common, Holt and there were 8 children, 4 boys and 4 girls. By 1901 they were living at The Gravel but all the girls had now left home.

Attestation papers from Devizes, dated 17th October 1906 indicate that Herbert joined the 3rd Wiltshire Regiment, aged 17 years 10 months, service number 8086. He was working as a labourer at Beaven's skin yard. He is described as 5'6" tall, weighed 105lbs, with a chest measurement of 33". His complexion was fresh, his eyes grey and his hair light brown and he was of good character.

Little is known of his service during the war but it is probable that Herbert was captured and taken to a Prisoner of War Camp in Germany. He died in captivity on 12th October 1915 aged 29 and was originally buried in Bleicherode Cemetery. His grave was marked with a cross. (His name was incorrectly transcribed as Scriven). His body was exhumed and re buried at Niedierzwehren Cemetery, nr. Kassel, Germany Grave Ref III.D.16

Herbert Scrine was awarded:

Victory medal C/1/102B/11 11280

British medal

14 Star medal C/1/4 82 with clasp

Herbert Scrine, Private, 7681, 2nd Battalion Wiltshire Regiment.

### **References**

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