In Memory of
Rifleman CECIL GEORGE WILLIS
451963, 9th Bn., London Regiment
(Queen Victoria's Rifles)
Who died, age 22, on 25 April 1918
Son of George S. and Emily E. Willis,
of Market Place, Faringdon, Berks.
Remembered with honour
Faringdon and Faringdon Baptist Church War Memorials
and

## **BOUCHOIR NEW BRITISH CEMETERY**



Commemorated in perpetuity by the Commonwealth War Graves Commission

Bouchoir is a village on the straight main road from Amiens to Roye, Somme, France. The village of Bouchoir passed into German hands on 27 March 1918 but was recovered by the 8th Canadian Infantry Brigade on 9 August 1918. The New British Cemetery was made after the Armistice when graves were brought there from several small Commonwealth cemeteries and from the battlefields round Bouchoir and south of the village. Almost all date from March, April or August 1918. The cemetery now contains 763 burials and commemorations of the First World War. 231 of the burials are unidentified but there are special memorials to five casualties known or believed to be buried among them. Another special memorial commemorates an airman buried in Laboissiere German Cemetery whose grave could not be found. The graves in Plots I and II are numbered consecutively from 1 to 144. Those in Plot III are numbered from 1 to 135, and the same system applies to Plot IV. Plots V and VI are numbered by rows in the usual way. The cemetery was designed by Sir Herbert Baker.

Son of George Stafford Willis, a confectioner born in Malta, and Eliza E Willis and brother to Gilbert who follows.