Surname	Overington
Forename(s)	William Henry
Initials	WH
Age	18
Honours/Awards	
Date died	24/01/1918
Rank	Lance Corporal
Regiment	Royal Fusiliers
Unit/Squadron	53 <sup>rd</sup> Bn.
Service Number	TR/63410
Cemetery/Memorial	Birkenhead (Flaybrick Hill) Cemetery
Grave Reference	8. C. of E. 397A
Further Information	Son of Mr and Mrs Thomas I. Overington, of 'Glenalbyn',
	Warren Drive, New Brighton



**News Report** 

## **Death of Lance-Corporal Overington**

## Military Funeral at Flaybrick Hill

We deeply regret to record the death of Lance-Corporal William Henry (Harry) Overington, Royal Fusiliers, the son of Mr and Mrs Thomas I. Overington. Of Glenalbyn, Warren Drive, New Brighton. He was taken ill with pneumonia, and passed away on January 24 at the York Military Hospital. The deceased youth, who was only 18 years of age, joined the colours on May 2, 1917. He was educated at Caldy Grange Grammar School, West Kirby, where he was a boarder for nearly seven years, and left in 1916, after passing the Oxford senior local examination. He took the keenest interest in everything connected with the school, both as a pupil, and during his short life as an old boy. He was a sergeant in the Cadet Corps, and will be remembered as one of the most useful members of exceptionally strong cricket and football elevens. He was a sturdy and reliable back in the football team, and in his last year earned tow presentation bats for

scores of more than 50 in the 1<sup>st</sup> XI cricket matches. He was a good all-round sport, and the news of his death was received with great sorrow in his old school.

Widespread sympathy has been extended to the parents in the irreparable loss they have sustained. Previous to coming to Wallasey Mr. Overington was a member of the Birkenhead Council for three years.

## References and Acknowledgments

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