



Thame Remembers



Lance Corporal Horace Quainton

Tiger, as he was known, was the youngest child of Sydney and Edith Eliza Quainton and was born on 26th March 1920. He spent his childhood years in Moreton and went to school in Thame. On leaving school he went to work at the local brickworks and in 1937, (the family now living in Thame), he joined the Oxford and Bucks Light Infantry. He was a motor cycle dispatch rider and promoted Lance Corporal in the 43rd Regt. HQ wing in August 1938. He went to France in November 1939 and later served in Ireland and England before returning to France shortly after the D Day landings of June 6th 1944. On 23rd July 1944 he was wounded while driving a jeep which became pinned down under mortar fire at a cross roads just outside Caen. He was brought back to St Martin's hospital in Bath where he died on 8th November 1944 from his wounds, which had he survived would have left him paralysed, as his back and internal organs were badly damaged. His funeral at St Mary's Parish Church was the first in Thame of our local casualties of the Second World War.

He was buried in St Mary's Churchyard Thame on 13th November 1944 and is remembered on Thame War Memorial, Moreton War Memorial and on St Mary's Church Memorial Board.



**The Thame Remembers
Cross was delivered
to his grave on
3rd August 2014
by his niece
Mrs Rosalie Gibson**

