LONG, George Henry – killed in action 8 August 1917 – aged 22

George Henry Long was born in Membury in 1895. His parents were William H Long a farm labourer (born in Honiton in 1866) and Eliza Long (born in Membury 1867).

In 1901 they were living in Shell Lane, Furley, Membury with children George H (aged 6), Page (aged 5), Mark (aged 2) and a boarder John T Matthews who was born in Membury (aged 40)

1911 George, aged 16, was working as a cowman and living with the farmers, George and Martha Gallop and their son George Reginald (aged 30) and a farm carter James Sparks at Treblehays Farm, Furley, who also served in the army.

George enlisted in the 8th Battalion Devonshire Regiment (army no: 23731). He was killed in action on 8 August 1917 and is buried at the H.A.C Cemetery, Ecoust-St. Mein.

His brothers Page and Mark also served in the war.