



Yarmouth and Thorley People of the First World War

Name

Oliver James Pitman

Ship, regiment or home front

**Private in Gloucestershire Regiment
241780. Invalided out after leg wound.**

d.o.b 1896 Ningwood m Edith nee Baker
Family: Parents Josiah and Sarah nee Buckett, who moved from Ningwood to Yarmouth 1908.
Brothers William, Hubert, sisters Daisy, Louie, Florence

Children : Tamar, who was pupil at Yarmouth School as was Oliver from 1908 - 1910

Address pre 1914 :Mill Terrace with parents

Address post 1914 : Mill Terrace, Yarmouth
Found on map:

Job pre 1914: errand boy

Job post 1914: gardener. Had to visit hospital in Southampton regularly because of pain in leg. Cycled to work in spite of having a wooden leg.



Oliver, left, not in uniform with older brother Bill in naval uniform, and unknown in army uniform.

*Photos :
Effie Pitman,
Oliver's niece*

In the photo Oliver is wearing a Silver War Badge in his lapel. This was issued by the government to wounded men to wear so that they were not attacked by people who thought they were avoiding fighting for King and Country.

More Info at.....[Town or Parish website, school website, www.wightatwar.org.uk](http://www.wightatwar.org.uk), <http://www.isle-of-wight-memorials.org.uk/towns/yarmouthwm.htm>
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