## **AN EXPLANATION FOR THE BURIALS TABLE**

These were transcribed from the original parish registers of St Michael's and All Angels, Marden. They start in 1561 and continue to modern times as we are constantly trying to update our records.

We also have copies of the memorial inscriptions and photos of them and these are in the churchyard or inside the church. However many have disappeared over time and not everyone who died in the parish could afford a headstone. These burial records can also be searched on the parish church website. We have links to this through our website,

Www.mardenhistory.org.uk. Point to About us then click Useful links and click Church of St Michael and All Angels. This will take you to the parish church website. There, click on "Would you like to know more about our heritage...", then on Memorials and lastly Memorial Inscriptions. Here you will find those buried at the Congregational and Wesleyan churches and ashes in the churchyard. There have been more chapels in the village but we have not found access to all the records of these.

Historically The Burial in Woollen Act was passed in 1678 to try to help the ailing English woollen industry. The Act stated that all corpses had to be buried in shrouds of pure wool only. It was repealed in 1814.

To view the Burials database point to TABLES and click BURIALS from the drop-down menu.

The database will appear as a series of records. An asterisk in each of the green column headings denote whether that field is searchable, and clicking on each one arranges contents ascending or descending - signified by an upward or downward pointing triangle respectively.

The Search Bar will accept any names, dates or terms and has options for entering multiple terms. The page selection buttons will move through pages of batched records - one page up or

down, or to the beginning and end of the whole database or selection. There are also options to export data to Word or Excel files.

A copy of the original entry from the Parish Register may be purchased from us. From the Home page point to Shop, click on Research, find Page from Parish Register in the list there and order which entry you want. Photographs of the headstones are available for £5 each. Use our web site address to do this.

To view an individual record, click the magnifying glass button on the extreme right hand side of each one.

The column names of a record's table are:

- > Column 1 Ref. No.(\*) our reference number
- Column 2 Year(\*) the date of the burial; where there are 2 dates this is when the new year didn't start until March. I can find no records where the date of DEATH is included.
- Column 3 Mon(\*) month.
- ➤ Column 4 Day(\*) day.
- Column 5 Forename/s (\*) -first name/s.
- ➤ Column 6 Surname (\*) -surname.
- Column 7 Age (\*) age at burial.
- ➤ Column 8 Notes (\*) often the relationship to another. Vid means widow. Later it states where they were at the time of death or where they came from. It may also mention status e.g. poor, stranger, infant.

- > Column 9 Parish Record Ref (\*) these numbers began in Aug 1892.
- > Column 10 Archive notes (\*) the officiating person. This is not shown in earlier records.
- ➤ Column 11 Record status (\*) this is mainly blank.
- ➤ Column 12 → clicking on this will show you the individual record.
- ➤ Column 13 arr for editors only.
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- Clicking on this symbol at the top of the page enables you to print the information as an Excel file.
- Clicking on this symbol at the top of the page enables you to print the information as a Word file.
- Clicking on this symbol at the top of the page enables you to print the information as an Excel CSV file (comma separated values).