

SIDNEY JOHN (JACK) PRITCHARD

**Private
4104575**

**6th Battalion
Queen's Own Royal West Kent Regiment**

**died on
Monday 26th June 1944
aged 27**

SIDNEY JOHN PRITCHARD
is buried in
ASSISI WAR CEMETERY
Italy

*Additional information in the
Commonwealth War Graves Commission Register*
Husband of Edith Pritchard, of Ledbury, Herefordshire.

On 3 September 1943 the Allies invaded the Italian mainland, the invasion coinciding with an armistice made with the Italians who then re-entered the war on the Allied side. Progress through southern Italy was rapid despite stiff resistance, but the advance was checked for some months at the German winter defensive position known as the Gustav Line. The line eventually fell in May 1944 and as the Germans withdrew, Rome was taken by the Allies on 3 June. Many of the burials in this cemetery date from June and July 1944, when the Germans were making their first attempts to stop the Allied advance north of Rome.

Jack Pritchard is buried in Plot IVG. Row B. Grave 5.

