

Gomme, Stephen Austin 1880 - 1918

Stephen Austin Gomme [commonly known as Austin Gomme] was born in Barnes, Surrey, England in 1880 and was the son of [Sir George Laurence Gomme](#) (1853-1916), a folklorist who worked for London County Council and was the person who persuaded the LCC adopt the blue plaque commemorative scheme in 1901.

In about 1896 Austin Gomme joined [C.R. Ashbee](#)'s Guild of Handicraft in London. A model for "Porthwidden", a house on the Cornish coast designed by Ashbee and made by Ashbee and Gomme was shown in the 7th exhibition of the Arts & Crafts Exhibition Society at the New Gallery in London in 1903.

In the 1900s he began practising as an architect, however, it is not known where or with whom he received his training.

During World War One Gomme served in the Royal Engineers in France and Flanders and died on 23 March 1918

Worked in

UK

Works

Two Tudor buildings repaired by Stephen Austin Gomme - The Old Court House and The Mound in Long Crendon, Buckinghamshire, are discussed in Small Country Houses. Their Repair and Enlargement by Lawrence Weaver (London: Country Life, 1914 pp. 1-11)

Links

- Buckinghamshire Remembers

http://www.buckinghamshireremembers.org.uk/php_scripts/bksidget.php?id=1060

- Commonwealth War Graves Commission <https://www.cwgc.org/find-records/find-war-dead/casualty-details/636608/stephen-austin-gomme/>

- World War One in Long Crendon <https://www.long-crendon.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/WORLD-WAR-ONE-final-compilation.pdf>