

Chest Tombs, All Saints' Churchyard

Photos: Nigel Stephens

The chest tombs in the churchyard are all Grade II listed and commemorate the lives of members of the Templeman, French and other well-to-do village families and are generally late 17c and early 18c, so they have been standing there for well over 200 years. The base of each tomb is buried. Features of particular interest are the side panels, the coving to the hipped tops and the fluted pilasters at each corner. Sadly, some of the tombs have fallen into serious disrepair and are never likely to be repaired.







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<http://www.buildingconservation.com/articles/chesttombs/chesttombs.htm>