

Main Surname HARRISON

Area Old yard

Christian Names John

Row XE

Year died 1776

Grave 007

Material Portland with marble plaques north and south sides
Condition very good - refurbished 1934
Photo? Yes
Notes (e.g. FS, mason, lettering)

Although re-cut, s is written as f

Sketch/Height

(See also picture in Barratt III complete with railings)



INSCRIPTIONS (refer to Millward, position on sketch, or FS) Millward 548/184

Edge of top slab East Side Renewed and the railings removed 1934

Edge of top slab North Side Reconstructed at the expense of the Worshipful Company of Clockmakers of the City of London 1879: William Parker Master

North Side In memory of Mr John Harrison, late of Red-Lion Square, London / INVENTOR of the TIME-KEEPER for ascertaining the LONGITUDE at Sea /

He was born at Foulby, in the County of York, and was the son of a Builder at / that Place / who brought him up to the same Profession. / Before he attained the Age of 21, he without any instruction employed himself / in cleaning and repairing Clocks and Watches and made a few of the former, chiefly of Wood. / At the Age of 25 he employed his Whole Time in Chronometrical Improvements.

He was the Inventor of the Gridiron Pendulum and the Method of preventing the Effect / of Heat and Cold upon the Time keepers by Two Bars of different Metals fixed together. / He introduced the Secondary Spring to keep them going while winding up and was / the Inventor of most (or all) of the Improvements in Clocks and Watches during his Time /

In the year 1735 his first Time keeper was sent to Lisbon and 1764 his then much Improved fourth Time keeper having been

Surveyed on 6.8.78

by C & D WADDE

PTO for further inscriptions and biographical notes
Also leave one inch margin on right, and 3 x 3 ins

