



Medieval and Tudor Brass Memorials



Look at the words listed below and choose the correct one to fill each space.

Memorial _____ are pictures drawn in _____. They were used to remember people who died a long time ago. They are found in _____, usually on the _____ but sometimes on the walls.

Many of the earliest brass _____ show knights in _____ mail armour. They carry _____, often with a picture of their family _____. Later the armour changed to _____ mail as it gave better protection against the _____ fired from _____. Swords, daggers and _____ were also used at this time. Knights usually had a lion at their feet as a symbol of their _____.

The ladies in brass memorials are shown wearing the _____ clothes of the _____ women of the period. Married ladies covered their hair with a _____ and often had a _____ at their feet, which is thought to be a symbol of their _____.

The figures usually have their hands in the _____ position. They are praying that they will go to _____ and the canopy above their heads represents the _____ to Paradise. The writing on the picture is called an _____ and it can be written in _____ or English and occasionally in _____. Priests often had brass memorials made and they were shown wearing _____ (church robes) very similar to those worn by priests today. A bishop wore a special hat called a _____.

Wool was a very important _____ from England in the fifteenth and sixteenth _____. The merchants who owned the sheep and sold the wool became very rich. On their brass pictures they are often shown with a sheep and a _____ at their feet. The woolsack would have the merchant's special _____ on it so that people (who might not be able to read) would know who owned the wool. A tailor would have a pair of _____ by his feet and a wine-merchant's feet might rest on a _____ of wine.

In _____ times groups of children are shown on their parents' memorials. They are known as _____. The Tudors often had large _____ and they liked to have a family picture made so that their _____ would remember them.

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| dog | export | wealthy | centuries |
| brasses | vestments | weepers | praying |
| bravery | fashionable | Tudor | mitre |
| Latin | faithfulness | barrel | longbows |
| chain | memorials | plate | inscription |
| scissors | coat-of-arms | gateway | floor |
| arrows | headdress | metal | shields |
| lances | descendants | woolsack | churches |

