



JOHN MILLARD LETT

Captain

A Company, 3rd Battalion Worcestershire Regiment

died on

Friday 22nd March 1918

aged 26

JOHN MILLARD LETT
is commemorated on the
ARRAS MEMORIAL
France

*. Additional information in the
Commonwealth War Graves Commission Register*

Son of Annie Elizabeth Lett, of West View, Chestnut Walk, Worcester, and the late Alfred Lett.

The Arras Memorial is in the Faubourg d'Amiens Cemetery in Arras. The Memorial commemorates 35,928 war casualties of the British, New Zealand, and South African Forces of the Third Army who died on the Arras front between Spring 1916 to August 7th 1918 and have no known grave. The design by Sir Edward Lutyens is built up on Doric columns and the names of the casualties are carved on stone panels on the cloister walls.

John Lett is commemorated on Bay 6.



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Local Intelligence

THE LATE CAPTAIN LETT

Additional pathos is associated with the death of Captain John Millard Lett, by the following official announcement which only this week appeared in the "Government Gazette" "Worcestershire Regiment Temporary 2nd Lieutenant J.M. Lett to be acting Captain February 20th". Captain Lett was the only son of the late Mr A. Lett of Colwall and of Mrs Lett of Chestnut Walk, Worcester and was killed while serving with the regiment on March 27th. He first joined the South Wales Borderers and rapidly rose to the rank of Quarter Master Sergeant. He then passed on as a cadet to the Officers' Training College at Crookham near Fleet. At the end of an equally successful course there he was gazetted as 2nd Lieutenant to the 3rd Battalion of the Worcestershire Regiment on March 22nd last year. He has seen much service in France and was the first of the former pupils of Colwall Boys Free School to attain the rank of captain.

Name	Corps	Regtl. No.
<i>LETT</i>	<i>S. Wales Border Worc R.</i>	<i>22064</i>
<i>John M.</i>	<i>2 Lt Capt. x</i>	
Medal	Roll	Page
<i>VICTORY</i>	<i>x 5/1/165 386</i>	<i>22-6223</i>
<i>BRITISH</i>	<i>15 STAR 5/1/2 A 49.</i>	<i>Dec 22-3-18</i>
<i>15 STAR 5/1/2 A 49. Re issued</i>		
<i>1915 563. d 18/11/20 27/2/4984</i>		
Theatre of War first served in	<i>1/ France.</i>	
Date of entry therein	<i>4-12-15</i>	
<i>Cancelled 27/2/4984 K 1380.</i>		

John Millard Lett was born in Coddington in March 1891, the son of Alfred and Annie Lett. He was one of five children. By the time of the 1901 census the family had moved to Malvern Cottage, Stowe Lane, Colwall and Alfred was a cattleman on a farm. John became a clerk with the Great Western Railway in 1907 and worked in Hirwain, Abergavenny and Pontypool. John enlisted in the South Wales Borderers and went to France with them in 1915. He was commissioned into the Worcestershire Regiment in 1917 and was serving with the 3rd Battalion when he was killed in action in March 1918. He is commemorated on the Arras Memorial to the Missing. Frederick Handy, Frederick James and Edgar Gittens of Colwall are also commemorated there.