1914 - 1918

WHERE ARE RECORDED

THE NAMES OF

35942 OFFICERS

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THE FORCES OF

WHO FELL IN THE

BATTLES OF ARRAS

OR IN AIR OPERATIONS

ABOVE THE

WESTERN FRONT

AND WHO HAVE

NO KNOWN GRAVE

Memorial Inscription



JOHN JAMES SPRINGETT

of Tisbury, Wiltshire

Arras Memorial, Pas de Calais, France

Date/Place of birth	18 February 1888 Tisbury (Seaman's Register)	2
Birth registered	March Q 1888 Tisbury Reg District 5a 221	5
Baptised	7 May 1888 St John the Baptist Church Tisbury	1
Father	Frederick Springett of Kingston Surrey. Married June Q 1877 Lambeth Reg District 1d 556	5
Mother	Jane nee Godwin of Tisbury	5
Siblings	Frederick, Alfred, Louisa, William, Sam, Annie, Emma, Mabel, Albert	2
1891 Census	Denmark Road, Twickenham. Age 3. Father's occupation Fly Driver Groom	2
1901 Census	66 Princes Row, Richmond. Age 13, at school. Father's occupation Cab Groom	2
1911 Census	5 Amyand Cotts, Twickenham. Age 23, married, Window Cleaner. Married Jun Q 1911 Richmond Reg District 2a 1027	5
Wife	Edith nee Baden of Swindon	5
Children	Gladys Mabel and Edith	2

Rank	Private	3
Regiment	7 th Battalion East Surrey Regiment	3
Enlisted	Kingston Surrey	6
Service Number	31371	3
Medals	British War / Victory	4
Date of Death/Age	1 May 1917 age 30	3
Cause	Death presumed (Soldier's Effects)	
Burial/Memorial	Arras Memorial, Pas de Calais, France. Bay 6	3





John James Springett had been invalided out of the Royal Navy after a short engagement in 1909.

He enlisted for the Great War, initially into the 4th Battalion East Surreys, on 1 January 1917. He then joined 7th Battalion East Surreys in the 37th Brigade of the 12th Division in France.

£3 War Gratuity
paid to
wife Edith

The battalion was deployed in the area of Arras when he joined and took part in the attacks that took place between 4 April and 16 May 1917 that became known as the Arras Offensive. The division as a whole suffered over 3500 casualties during these battles, many of whom have no known grave.

Private John James Springett was among those who lost his life. For official purposes, his date of death was accepted as 1 May 1917, just 4 months after he enlisted in Kingston Surrey.

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