

East Knoyle Roll of Honour
THE GREAT WAR 1914-1918




Percy Lyulph Wyndham


La-Ferte-Sous-Jouarre Memorial, France


PERCY LYULPH WYNDHAM

of Saighton, Cheshire

Date/place of birth	5 December 1887 Saighton	1
Birth registered	March Q 1888 Chester Reg District 8a 383	5
Baptised		
Father	Rt Hon George Wyndham	2
Mother	Lady Sibell Mary Lumley, Countess Grosvenor (widow of 1st Duke of Westminster)	5
Siblings	Step-sisters Constance and Lettice, step-brother Hugh	2
1901 Census		2
1911 Census	35 Park Lane, London W. Age 23. Occupation Lieutenant Coldstream Guards (since 1909)	2
Wife	Hon Diana Lister, Countess of Westmorland. Married 17th April 1913 St George Hanover Square London	5
Rank	Lieutenant	3
Regiment	3 rd Battalion Coldstream Guards	3
Enlisted	Pre 1914	
Medals	14-15 Star / British War / Victory	4
Date of Death/Age	14 September 1914 age 26	3
Cause of Death	Killed in action	3
Burial/Memorial	La-Ferte-Sous-Jouarre Memorial, France	3







Percy Lyulph Wyndham died at Soupir during the Battle of Aisne on 14 September 1914. He has no known grave.


The 3rd Bn Coldstream Guards were part of the original British Expeditionary Force, departing London on the night of the 11/12 August. A month later on 13 September they were at Chavonne in France, their aim to cross the River Aisne. They eventually crossed by way of a trestle bridge to the northern bank under intense German artillery fire which forced them to retire, 3 men killed and 22 wounded. The next day, 14 September, Lieutenant Percy Lyulph Wyndham was shot in the head at close range while leading his men in savage fighting for the heavily defended La Cour de Soupir Farm to the north Soupir village. The day ended with 66 men killed or wounded. These events were the start of the Battle of the Aisne

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Death of Mr Percy Wyndham of Clouds House East Knoyle. The inhabitants of this village were grief-stricken on Wednesday when the news arrived that Lt Percy Wyndham of the Coldstream Guards had died on the battlefield. It was only some two years ago that the deceased gentleman was married to a daughter of Lord Ribblesdale, and a niece of Mrs Asquith, wife of the Prime Minister. Like his father (Rt Hon George Wyndham), and his grandfather (Hon Percy Wyndham), the deceased officer had greatly endeared himself to the parishioners, with all of whom he was on intimate terms. The greatest sympathy is felt with Mrs Wyndham in her sad loss. *Western Gazette 18 September 1914*

A family memorial in St Mary's church East Knoyle reads "To the glory of God and in loving memory of the five grandsons of Madeline Wyndham who fell in action during the Great War 1914-1918 Hugo Charteris (Lord Elcho), Yvo Charteris, Percy Lyulph Wyndham, George Heremon Wyndham, Edward Wyndham Tennant"

Commemorated: War Memorial and St Mary's Church Plaque East Knoyle, War Memorial Saighton Cheshire, War Memorial Dover Kent



East Knoyle

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1 = Parish Registers
4 = Medal Index Card

2 = 1891/1901/1911 Census
5 = GRO Register

3 = Commonwealth War Graves Commission
6 = UK Soldiers Died in the Great War 1914-18