

Surname	Jones
Forename(s)	Andrew Oliver
Initials	A O
Age	37
Honours/Awards	
Date died	04/12/1917
Rank	Private
Regiment	Royal Warwickshire Regiment
Unit/Squadron	2 nd /6 th Bn.
Service Number	260169
Cemetery/Memorial	Cambrai Memorial, Louverval
Grave Reference	Panel 3.
Further Information	Son of John and Mary Jones, of 16, Prysee St., Wrexham; husband of Florence Jones, of 5, Parkside, Egremont, Wallasey, Cheshire.
<p>News Report</p> <p><u>Another Old Volunteer Killed</u></p> <p><u>Former Press Platoon Member</u></p> <p>Three weeks in succession it has been the melancholy duty to record the death of members of Wallasey Volunteers, originally attached to the Press Platoon (C Company), writes "Platoon Sergeant." The loss of Pte. Andy Jones has been reported this week. He was a corporal of A Co., 11th C.V.R., and for three years paraded with the Press section on Wednesdays up to joining the Shropshire L.I. The chaplain to the Warwicks to which regiment our late comrade was attached has written to his sorrowing widow how in fierce trench fighting early in December the brave fellow met his end, also the place of his last long sleep. Those who knew him on parade can readily understand the part he would play – the pity is that such a Man (capital M Mr. Printer) should be called along with so many others to the great Beyond. One can hardly believe that he, too, has gone under. When the occasion arose he could handle a squad in a manner which the O.C. must have appreciated in his non-coms. His pleasant ways, his willingness to forward the Volunteer movement in the circumstance that came his way, his sense of discipline, and his farewell of the platoon on joining up make it hard to think he will never again visit his first love. He displayed considerable skill as a marksman at the miniature shooting range, and at times put up remarkable groupings, getting well amongst the prizes – and if he could have shaken off his nervousness at some of the competitions, it is quite probable there were few, if any, better shots in the battalion. At the flower show in the Central Park in 1916, the event also utilised for Volunteer recruiting, there was a shooting booth. Crowds of soldiers and sailors home on leave were exhibiting their skill to curious spectators. Among the competitors there was one rifle that excelled the khaki and the blue at bringing down the floating balls. For some five minutes he aimed unerringly without a miss. It was the Volunteer in the time worn fawn – Corpl. Andy Jones. An old soldier was surprised at his skill, and a wag good-naturedly retorted that if a Tommy desired to know how to shoot he should join the Volunteers!</p>	

References and Acknowledgments

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