

Surname	Rhodes
Forename(s)	Charles Frederick Stanley
Initials	C F S
Age	23
Honours/Awards	
Date died	07/06/1917
Rank	Second Lieutenant
Regiment	Cheshire Regiment
Unit/Squadron	11 <sup>th</sup> Bn.
Service Number	
Cemetery/Memorial	Ypres (Menin Gate) Memorial
Grave Reference	Panel 19-22
Further Information	Son of Charles Stanley and Annie Elizabeth Rhodes, of 9, Earlston Rd., Wallasey. Educated at Wallasey Grammar School.



#### News Report

##### Well Known Liscard Officer Wounded

[Reported October 1916]

The following telegram from the War Office was received on Wednesday by Mrs. Rhodes, Earlston Road, Liscard:- "Regret to inform you that 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieut. C.F.S. Rhodes, Cheshire Regiment, is reported wounded in action on Oct. 21<sup>st</sup>. Will report any further news."

Much anxiety was felt by Mrs. Rhodes, who has a husband and two sons away, but on Thursday a further telegram arrived stating that Lieut. Rhodes was admitted to the Stationary Hospital, Bonlogne with gunshot wounds in the thigh. His condition at present being satisfactory.

Lieutenant Stanley Rhodes is the eldest son of a well-known Liverpool captain, Capt. C.S. Rhodes (Harrison Line), who is also on active service, being

commander of an Australian Government transport, and has been engaged in carrying Australian troops since early in 1915.

Lieutenant Rhodes was four years lieutenant of the New Brighton Cadets, for whom he did much good work. He is 22 years of age, and an old Wallasey Grammar School boy. At the outbreak of war he was taken over by the Government and for nine months he was carrying Indian troops. Immediately on reaching home Lieut. Rhodes applied for a commission, and was in New Orleans when he received word it had been granted him. He left for England at once, and went into training. He went to the front in July, 1916, and has been in many of the recent engagements. A few weeks ago he was home on "special" leave for meritorious services.

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#### Liscard Officer Killed [August 1917]

The death is reported of 2<sup>nd</sup>. Lieut. C.F.S. Rhodes, aged 23, who was killed in action in France on June 7<sup>th</sup>. The deceased officer is the eldest son of a well-known Liverpool skipper, Capt. C.S. Rhodes, of the Harrison Line, who is also on active service and who lives in Earlston Road, Liscard. Lieut. Rhodes was for four years lieutenant of the New Brighton Cadets, and was educated at Wallasey Grammar School. When the war broke out he was on his way to India, but at once returned home, and was granted a commission. He went to France in July, 1916, and in a few weeks obtained seven days leave for meritorious services. On October 21<sup>st</sup> he was badly wounded in the thigh. He rejoined his regiment in January of this year.

Mrs Rhodes has received a letter from the company stating that Lieut. Rhodes "showed great courage and determination, and although he was cut off on my flank he fought on with the few men he had left, and eventually gained his objective, where he was busy organising a defensive position when a shell fell right on top of him. Death was instantaneous. The force of the explosion killed him, and he hardly had a mark on his body. Later on the padre came up, and I asked to bury your son, which he did right beside the place he was killed. He was a great loss to me, for six months we had worked together in the company, and he has done some very fine work. We shall all miss him very much, with his energy and keen personality, and we all offer our deepest sympathy to you in your great loss. He could not have died a more gallant death or shown more devotion to duty."

#### References and Acknowledgments

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