

Surname	Stanley
Forename	John
Initials	J J
Age	24
Honours/Awards	
Date died	14/07/1916
Rank	Sergeant
Regiment	The King's (Liverpool Regiment)
Unit/Squadron	1 st /8 th Bn.
Service Number	2424
Cemetery/Memorial	Avesbes-Le-Comte Communal Cemetery Extension
Grave Reference	III.A.23
Further Information	Son of Thomas W. and Mary Stanley, of Liverpool. Married the daughter of Mr and Mrs Grindley, 10 Breck Road, Wallasey. Was a member of St. Luke's Church, Poulton.



News Report

Poulton Sergeant Killed

We regret to announce the death of Sergeant John J. Stanley, of the King's Liverpool Regiment, who died from wounds received on July 14th. He was a member of St. Luke's Church, Poulton, and just before the war broke out married the only surviving daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J.D. Grindley, 10, Breck Road, Wallasey. He was for some years assistant master of Prince Edwin Street Council Schools, Liverpool, where he was much respected by the scholars.

In a letter a colleague teacher says:-

"We have lost a comrade who commanded our love and respect, and it has left a gap in our ranks that will not easily be filled, and a memory that will not easily be forgotten."

In a letter to Mrs. Stanley, Captain E.M. Murphy, says that Sergeant Stanley was one of the best. He was always willing, and was liked by everyone. He could assure her that it was a shock to him when he received the information of his being wounded, and more so when he heard of his death.

Further information is to hand from one of the deceased's chums, as to how Sergeant Stanley received his fatal wounds. "The Battalion," says "Jim," "was being relieved from the trenches on the 13th when the enemy sent over a couple of shells, which unfortunately burst in the trench, wounding several men rather severely. John appeared to have been rather unfortunate, and received practically the full force of all of them, receiving severe wounds to the base of the spine and a minor one to the wrist. He was removed to the first-aid post immediately where everything possible was done for him. He was transferred by motor-ambulance to the C.C.S. Early next morning we were grieved to receive word that he was in a dangerous condition, and shocked to receive another note saying that he had died and had been buried. I can assure you of the sympathy in your bereavement of his officers, his comrade sergeants and all other ranks of the battalion. We have lost a comrade who commanded our love and respect and it has left a gap in our ranks that will not easily be filled and a memory that will not easily be forgotten."

References and Acknowledgments

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