CHARLES EDWIN BOOTON

**Private
2243**

**11th Battalion Warwickshire Regiment
died on
Tuesday 11th July 1916
aged 37**

CHARLES BOOTON
is buried in
PUCHEVILLERS BRITISH CEMETERY
France

In June 1916, just before the opening of the Battles of the Somme, the 3rd and 44th Casualty Clearing Stations came to Puchevillers. Plots I to V, and almost the whole of Plot VI were made by those hospitals before the end of March 1917. For the next two months the 2nd/1st South Midland Casualty Clearing Station used the cemetery.

Charles Booton is buried in Plot I Row E Grave 48

The name Charles Booton appears on the handwritten list on the vestry wall at St James'. There was only one Charles Booton who died in the First World War and his details are here. We have yet to make a connection between Charles Edwin Booton and Colwall.

Charles Edwin Booton was born in Kidderminster in 1879, the son of William and Hannah Booton. William Booton was a carpet weaver. In 1901 Charles was already married and living with his uncle in Quarry Bank, Staffordshire working as an enameller. Charles joined the Midland Railway in 1906 working in King's Norton as a Signal Lamp man and by the time of the 1911 census Charles and Lizzie were living in Balsall Heath with their four children. Charles was recorded then as working as a Railway Porter for the Midland Railway. He was living in Moseley when he enlisted in Birmingham into the Warwickshire Regiment. He died of wounds received in the Battle of the Somme and is buried in Puchevillers.