

SAMUEL WELLSTEAD PUGH

**Private
9385**

**2nd Battalion, Worcestershire Regiment
died on
Monday 21st August 1916
aged 41**

SAMUEL WELSTEAD PUGH
is commemorated on the
THIEPVAL MEMORIAL
France

*. Additional information in the
Commonwealth War Graves Commission Register*

Son of George Samuel Pugh and Elizabeth Pugh (formerly Wellsted) of Worcestershire.

The Thiepval Memorial which is the Memorial to the Missing of the Somme bears the names of more than 72,000 officers and men of the United Kingdom and South African forces who died in the Somme sector before 20 March 1918 and have no known grave. Over 90% of those commemorated, died between July and November 1916. Edward Holland is commemorated on Pier and Face 5A and 6C



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COLWALL NEWS

You will be sorry to hear that Private Sam Pugh was killed on Tuesday last. Private Pugh was a good Oddfellow and has served in the office of Grand Master of Malvern District. He was a favourite in the Army and rejoined at the outbreak of the war. He was a remarkably fluent speaker and was a fine example of how Oddfellows can train a man for public life. He was also a member of Colwall Parish Council. Private Pugh joined the Midland Railway Company in 1894 and later joined the Coldstream Guards and was attached to the 1st battalion and went to South Africa. After the end of the war he transferred to the Reserve of Guards. He worked at Schweppes and then with Mr Armstrong, builder.

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Samuel Wellstead Pugh was born in 1875. After a time working for the Midland Railway Company, starting as a lad porter and progressing to be a lamp lad, porter and car washer he saw service in South Africa with the Coldstream Guards receiving the King's South African Medal and Clasp. At the time of the 1911 census he was living in The Pink, Colwall and described himself as a builder and contractor. He enlisted in Malvern and joined the 2nd Battalion Worcestershire Regiment. He was killed in August 1916 during the Battle of the Somme. He is commemorated on the Thiepval Memorial to the Missing of the Somme. Edward Holland and Albert James of Colwall are also commemorated there.