

# Captain EDWIN SCOTT BAMFORD

Edwin was born in Bromborough in Cheshire, in 1886, the youngest son of Arthur and Annie Bamford. After his father died, his mother moved to Misterton Hall to live with his aunt. Edwin was educated at Uppingham School and in Switzerland. He married Louisa Mary Lottie Smith, "Lulu", on 1 January 1913.

He joined the 3<sup>rd</sup> Battalion of the Leicestershire Regiment, later transferring to the York and Lancaster Regiment and becoming a Lieutenant in 1909. He served in India from 1908 to 1914. He was promoted to Captain on 5 September 1914 and joined the British Expeditionary Force in France in January 1915.

On 23 April 1915, his birthday, he was mortally wounded at the second Battle of Ypres and died the following day. He is buried at Poperinghe Old Military Cemetery in Belgium.

His Battalion was resting when they saw French troops, overcome by asphyxiating gases. Despite having only two guns, they filled the gap. Of the original 1200 men, only 300 survived but had the charge not been made the Germans would have broken through. The Battalion war diaries note that Captain Bamford did magnificent work during the whole attack.



*At the going down of the sun and in the morning  
We will remember them.*