

# LAURENCE ARTHUR BROOKES

Rifleman  
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Royal Army Ordnance Corps  
died on  
Friday 13th June 1919  
aged 21

LAURENCE ARTHUR BROOKES  
is buried in  
ST BARTHOLOMEW'S CHURCHYARD, MUCH MARCLE

*Additional information in the  
Commonwealth War Graves Commission Register*  
Son of Alfred and S.A. Brookes of Keeper's Lodge, Much Marcle.



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DEATHS

**BROOKES** On June 13th at Queen's Hospital Birmingham  
Laurence Arthur (Laurie) late RAOC, youngest son of Mr and Mrs A  
Brookes of Keeper's Lodge, Much Marcle.

Laurence Arthur Brookes was born in 1898 in Cleobury Mortimer, Shropshire. Alfred and Sarah Brookes had seven children and Alfred was a gamekeeper. The family were living in the Village Street, Much Marcle in 1901 and Alfred describes himself as being a domestic gamekeeper. By the 1911 census the whole family was living in Keeper's Lodge, Much Marcle and Alfred and his eldest son Harry were both gamekeepers. Laurie at 13 is still at school. He enlisted into the Royal Army Ordnance Corps. Laurie died in hospital from the effects from disease contracted on active service in Birmingham in 1919. He is buried in a war grave in Much Marcle churchyard.