

# JAMES WILLIAM MEREDITH

**Private  
10431**

**1st Battalion, King's Shropshire Light Infantry  
died on  
Tuesday 25th February 1915  
aged 25**

JAMES WILLIAM MEREDITH  
is buried in  
LONGUENESSE (ST. OMER) SOUVENIR CEMETERY  
France

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

Son of Mr. W. and Mrs. S. Meredith, of Sunny Bank, Much Marcle, Dymock, Glos.

St. Omer was the General Headquarters of the British Expeditionary Force from October 1914 to March 1916. The town was a considerable hospital centre with General Hospitals, and Casualty Clearing Stations stationed there at some time during the war. St. Omer suffered air raids in November 1917 and May 1918, with serious loss of life. The cemetery takes its names from the triangular cemetery of the St. Omer garrison, called Cimetiere du Souvenir Francais) which is located next to the War Cemetery. The Commonwealth section of the cemetery contains 2,874 Commonwealth burials of the First World War.

James Meredith is buried in Plot I. Row A. Grave 44.



**Ledbury Reporter  
& Farmer's Gazette  
Saturday 27th February 1915**

**MUCH MARCLE MAN SERIUOUSLY ILL**

Private J W Meredith who is with the King's Shropshire Light Infantry is reported as seriously ill.

**Ledbury Reporter  
& Farmer's Gazette  
Saturday 20th March 1915**

**A MEMORIAL SERVICE IN MUCH MARCLE**

A memorial service was held in Much Marcle Parish Church on Friday evening last for three Much Marcle lads. Who have fallen at the front namely Pte Amos Edward KSLI who was killed in action last October, Pte Fred Manns KSLI who was reported killed by shrapnel shell in the trenches and Pte Jim Meredith KSLI who died in hospital in France from fever. The Rector of Ross preached a touching and elegant sermon.

Name	Corps.	Rank	Regt. No.
MEREDITH <i>Amos</i> J. W.	<i>1st Shropshire LI</i>	<i>Pte</i>	<i>10431</i>
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Medal	Roll	Page	Remark
VICTORY	<i>x 2/1/102 B 3.</i>	<i>819</i>	
BRITISH	<i>do</i>	<i>do</i>	
<i>14</i> STAR	<i>8/1/14</i>	<i>64</i>	<i>Dead</i>
Theatre of War first served in			
Date of entry therein <i>2-11-14</i>			

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James William Meredith was born in Ledbury in 1892 the son of William and Sarah Meredith. William was a carter and in 1901 the family were living in a cottage at Broomsgreen. James enlisted in Ledbury and joined the King's Shropshire Light Infantry. He went with the 1st Battalion to France landing there on 2nd November 1914. He died in hospital in St Omer, France in February 1915 and is buried in Longuenesse Souvenir Cemetery at St Omer.