

# EDWARD GEORGE MORRIS

**Company Sergeant Major  
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**1st/1st Battalion, Herefordshire Regiment**

**died on  
Monday 19th April 1917  
aged 38**

EDWARD MORRIS  
is commemorated on the  
JERUSALEM MEMORIAL  
Israel

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

Son of the late James John and Hannah Bella Morris, of Much Marcle, Dymock, Gloucester.

The Jerusalem Memorial, commemorating 3,300 Commonwealth servicemen who died during the First World War in operations in Egypt or Palestine and who have no known grave. The memorial stands in the Jerusalem War Cemetery.

Edward Morris is commemorated on Panel 54.



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**CO.-SERGT.-MAJOR MORRIS  
KILLED IN ACTION**

We regret to announce that Co-Sergt-Major E.G. Morris of B Company, 1st Herefordshire Regiment was killed in action on April 19th last. The news is official and reached C-S-M Morris's sister (Mrs Watkins, Tarrington) on Friday morning last.

Co-Sgt-Major Morris has had a long association with the regiment. A member of the old Volunteers, he carried on when the force became known as the Territorial Force, and was Colour-Sergeant of the old C (Ledbury) Company when the regiment was mobilised in August 1914. Under the double company system he became Co-Sergt-Major of B Company in which the old C Company was merged, and had been with the regiment at Suvla Bay and all through the recent campaign in Egypt with the exception of a short period of leave he spent in England at Christmas and the early part of this year.

As a boy he was apprenticed to Mr F W Jukes, house furnished and upholsterer, of Homend Street, Ledbury, and had been in Mr Jukes's employment ever since until the war broke out. The news of his death will be a great grief to a host of his friends, for Teddy, as he was popularly known, was popular everywhere he went.

The son of the late Mr and Mrs Morris of Much Marcle (Mrs Morris died last year) C.S.M. Morris was brought up at Much Marcle, and in his home village was a well-known figure, and both as youth and man he took part in the sports and social amenities of the place. When he returned to the regiment at the beginning of the year he was in high spirit, and was confident that he would return to his native place but has paid the great price and will be deeply and sincerely mourned by all who knew him.

Edward George Swithin Morris was born in Much Marcle in 1879. His father James was a Butler, and later a Gardener. His mother Hannah was a Midwife and Dressmaker and in 1881 the family was living in Marcle Street, Much Marcle. By 1901 his mother was widowed and Edward was recorded as being a Carpenter and Joiner. By 1911 he was a Carpenter and Cabinet Maker. Edward Morris joined the Volunteers which became C Company Herefordshire Regiment (Ledbury and District). He marched away from Ledbury the day after war broke out and served in the Gallipoli Campaign, landing at Suvla Bay on August 9th 1915. A letter he sent from Gallipoli was reproduced in the local paper giving a vivid description of what soldiering there was like. He was killed in action in Palestine in 1917.

Edward Morris is commemorated on the Jerusalem War Memorial which stands in the Jerusalem War Cemetery.

Thomas Shinn of Ledbury is buried in this cemetery.