

In Memory of

Corporal

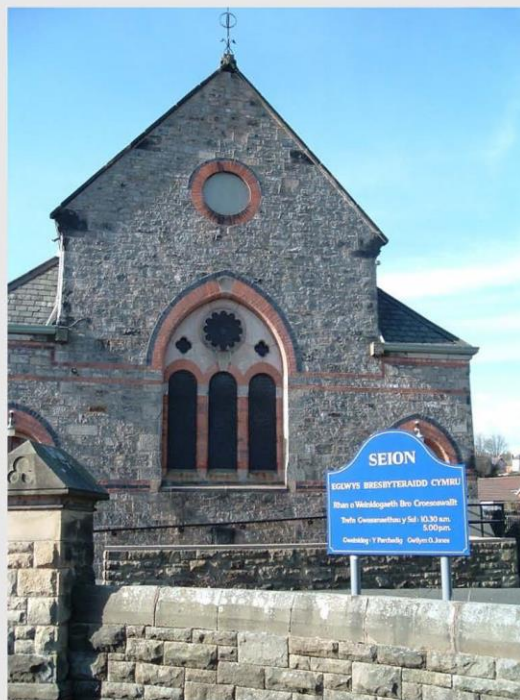
Rowland Evans

1590, 4th Bn., King's Shropshire Light Infantry who died on 02 March 1917 Age 23

Son of Rowland and Jane Evans, of 72A, Albert Rd., Oswestry.

Remembered with Honour

Oswestry (Seion) Calvinistic Methodist Chapelyard



Commemorated in perpetuity by
the Commonwealth War Graves Commission

Record Details for Rowland Evans - King's Shropshire Light Infantry

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First Name:	Rowland
Initials:	R
Surname:	Evans
DOB:	Circa 1894
Age:	23
Nationality:	British
Date of Death:	02/03/1917
Information:	SON OF ROWLAND AND JANE EVANS, OF 72A, ALBERT RD., OSWESTRY.
Rank:	Corporal
Service Number:	1590

Campaign Medals: [Victory Medal](#)

Given the information we have available it is likely that Rowland Evans was entitled to the 1914 Star or 1914-15 Star and, with certain exceptions, to those who are sometimes reverently referred to as Pip, Squeak and Wilfred.

Eligibility for this award consisted of having been mobilised, fighting, having served in any theatre of war between 5th August 1914 and 11th November 1918. Women who served in any of the various military or

[Buy Medals](#)[British War Medal](#)

From the information available to us, it is very possible that Rowland Evans was entitled to the British War Medal which was issued for services between 5th August 1914 and 11th November 1918.

The medal was automatically awarded in the event of death on active service before the 11th November 1918.

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Service: British Army

Regiment: [King's Shropshire Light Infantry](#)

King's Shropshire Light Infantry during World War 1



The regiment raised 12 Battalions and was

1st Battalion

04.08.1914 Stationed at Tipperary as part of the 1st Division
20.08.1914 Mobilised for war and landed at Boulogne

The actions on the Aisne heights.

1915

The action at Hooge

1916

The Battle of Flers-Courcelette, The Battle of

1917

The Battle of Hill 70, The Cambrai Offensive

1918

The Battle of St Quentin, The Battle of Bai

4 years' Service in the United Kingdom.

No. 1590 Name Roland Enas ATTESTATION OF Corps 4th B. C. & S. I.

Questions to be put to the Recruit before Enlistment

1. What is your Name?
2. In or near what Parish or Town were you born?
3. Are you a British Subject?
4. What is your Age?
5. What is your Trade or Calling?
6. In whose employ are you?
7. Where do you now reside?
8. Are you now an Apprentice? If so, please state particulars
9. Are you married?
10. Do you now belong to the Army, the Marines, the Militia, the Militia Reserve, the Territorial Force, the Royal Navy, the Army Reserve (Regular or Special), or any Naval Reserve Force? If so, to what Corps?
*11. Have you ever served in the Army, the Marines, the Militia, the Militia Reserve, the Imperial Yeomanry, the Territorial Force, the Royal Navy, the Volunteers, the Army Reserve (Regular or Special), or any Naval Reserve Force? If so, please state Corps and cause of discharge
12. Do you belong, or have you belonged, to any Cadet Corps or Battalion?
13. Have you ever been rejected as unfit for the Military or Naval Forces of the Crown? If so, on what grounds?
14. Did you receive a Notice, and do you understand its meaning?
15. Are you willing to be attested for the term of 4 years (provided His Majesty should so)
1. *Edward Howard*
2. In the Parish of *Western* in or near the Town of *Beaconsfield* in the County of *Bucks*
3. *Yes*
4. *18* Years *7* Months
5. *Labourer*
6. *Not in any employ*
7. *32, A Street, Rickmansworth*
8. *Yes*
9. *No*
10. *No*
11. *No*
12. *No*
13. *No*
14. *Yes*
15. *No*
- I, *John* of the County of *Bucks* do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of the original as the same appears in the books of the Registrar of the County of *Bucks* at *501 & 501A, 9/10 London County/235*.

Amendment for question 16.—Army Forms E. 501 and E. 501A (9/London County/323).

14. Do you understand--
- (a) That during the first year of your original enlistment you will be required to attend the number of drills and fulfill the other conditions prescribed for a recruit of the arm or branch of the service which you have elected to join?
- (b) That you will be required to complete such preliminary training by the 31st October next following your original enlistment, unless before that date you obtain permission from your Commanding Officer to complete it afterwards, but that in any case you must complete within 12 months of your original enlistment?
- (c) That in addition to such preliminary training you will be liable to attend the number of drills and fulfill the other conditions relating to the arm or branch of the service which you have elected to join, and be liable to be trained for not less than 8, or more than 18 days altogether, in every year, or, if belonging to a mounted branch, for not less than 5, or more than 18 days altogether, in every year, as may be prescribed, and may for that purpose be called out, once or oftener, in every year?
- (d) That if you, without leave or reasonable excuse, fail to attend the number of drills required to fulfill the conditions relating to preliminary or actual training prescribed for your arm or branch of the service, you render yourself liable to a fine not exceeding £5?
- (e) That when a proclamation has been issued, in case of imminent national danger or great emergency, calling out the first class Army Reserve will become liable to be embodied?
- (f) That, if your term of 6 years' service expires when a proclamation ordering the Army Reserve to be called out on permanent service is in force, you may be required to prolong your service for a shorter period not exceeding 17 months?
- (g) That you will be liable to serve in any place in the United Kingdom without further agreement, but not in any place outside the United Kingdom unless you voluntarily undertake to do so?
- (h) That you will be required to deliver up in good order, at such time and place as may be directed by the Commanding Officer, all arms, clothing and appointments issued to you, being public property (including the property of the County Association)?

¶ A further period of preliminary training may be prescribed during the first year of original enlistment by an Order in Council, the number of days being specified, and the period of annual training in any year may be extended by an Order in Council, due notice thereof having been given, and provided that neither House of Parliament has disallowed; but the whole period of annual training shall not exceed 30 days in any year.

Under the provisions of Section 90 of the Army Act, if a person knowingly makes a false answer to any question contained in the attestation paper, he renders himself liable to punishment.

I, Montana Evans do solemnly declare that the above answers made by me to the above questions are true, and that I am willing to fulfil the engagements made.

SIGNATURE OF RECRUIT

Signature of Witness

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY RECRUIT ON ATTESTATION.

I, Rowland Evans do make Oath, that
I will be faithful and bear true Allegiance to His Majesty King Edward the Seventh, His Heirs, and Successors, and
that I will, as in duty bound, honestly and faithfully defend His Majesty, His Heirs, and Successors, in Person, Crown,
and Dignity against all enemies, according to the conditions of my service.

CERTIFICATE OF MAGISTRATE OR ATTESTING OFFICER

I, Lt. M. J. H. Thompson, do hereby certify, that, in my presence, all the foregoing Questions were put to the Recruit, above named; that the Answers written opposite them are those which he gave to me, and that he has made and signed the Declaration, and taken the oath as follows: _____ on this 26 day of April 1912.
Signature of Justice of the Peace, Officer or other person authorized to attest Recruits.
-K.S.C.I.

If any alteration is required on this page of the Attestation, a Justice of the Peace should be requested to make it and initial the alteration under Section 80 (5) Army Act.

The recruit should, if he requires it, receive a copy of the Declaration on Army Form R. 501A.

Description of Rowland. Evans on Enlistment.

MEDICAL INSPECTION REPORT.

(Applicable to all ranks.)

Name Rowland. Evans
 Apparent age 18 years 7 months.
 Height 5 feet 7 inches.
 *Chest measurement { Girth when fully expanded 35½ inches.
 Range of expansion 2½ inches.
 Vision Good
 Physical development Good.

*Chest measurement will be obtained by adjusting the tape so that its posterior upper edge touches the inferior angles of the shoulder blades, and its anterior lower edge the upper part of the nipples, while the arms hang loosely by the side.

Certificate of Medical Examination.

I have examined the above-named recruit and find that he does not present any of the causes of rejection specified in the Regulations. He can see at the required distance with either eye; his heart and lungs are healthy; he has the free use of his joints and limbs; he does not suffer from hernia; and declares that he is not subject to fits of any description.

I consider him * _____ for the Territorial Force.

Date _____ 19 ____

Place _____ Medical Officer.

* Insert here "fit" or "unfit."

NOTE.—Should the Medical Officer consider the recruit unfit, he will fill in the foregoing certificate only in the case of those who have been attested and will briefly state below the cause of unfitness.

Certificate of Primary Military Examination.

I hereby certify that the above-named recruit was inspected by me, and I consider him * fit for service in the 4th King's Shropshire Light Infantry and that due care has been exercised in his enlistment.

Date April 26th 1912.

Place Devonport

* Insert here "fit" or "unfit."

W. Langhorne Thearar Lt
4th K. Shropshire L. Infantry Recruiting Officer.
 † Insert the "Battalion" or "Corp."

* Certificate of Approving Officer.

I certify that this Attestation of the above-named recruit is correct, and properly filled up, and that the required forms appear to have been complied with. I accordingly approve, and appoint him to the 4th A.S.L.I.

If enlisted by special authority, Army Form B. 203 (or other authority for the enlistment) will be attached to the original attestation.

Date 30 May 1912

Place Oswestry

W. Howard Johnson
Adj. Lt. M.L.I. Approving Officer.

* The signature of the Approving Officer is to be affixed in the presence of the Enlistment Officer.
 † Here insert the "Corp" in which the recruit has been enlisted.

The Entries on this page only require to be made from time to time as they occur.
 STATEMENT of the SERVICES of No. 1590 Name Samuel Brown
 Showing preliminary training, other special courses of training, Annual Training,† and when mobilized, etc.

Corps	Unit	Promotions, Reductions, Casualties, &c.	Rank	From	To	Signature of Officers certifying correctness of Entries
Service towards engagement reckons from						
		<u>26-4-12.</u>				
<u>Lt. K S L I</u>		<u>Shereford</u>	<u>Pte</u>	<u>26-4-12</u>		<u>Wetherham Capt</u>
		<u>of Greiftheau</u>	<u>2nd Lt</u>	<u>28-7-12</u>	<u>11-8-12</u>	<u>Wetherham Capt</u>
		<u>Embodied</u>	<u>Private</u>	<u>3-8-13</u>	<u>17-8-13</u>	<u>Wetherham Capt</u>
<u>H. O. L. I.</u>		<u>Appointed paid</u>	<u>1st Corp</u>	<u>5-8-1914</u>	<u>+</u>	<u>20. Wetherham Capt</u>
		<u>Promoted</u>	<u>1st Corp</u>	<u>5-8-1914</u>	<u>+</u>	<u>20. Wetherham Capt</u>
				<u>10-8-15</u>	<u>+</u>	<u>20. Wetherham Capt</u>

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Total service towards engagement in the Territorial Force to 30. 1. 17 (date of discharge) 4 years 280 days.

CHARACTER
Very Good

Discharged in consequence of his having been found no longer physically fit for War Service Para 392(XVI) KA

The discharge of the above-named man is hereby approved.



Signature W. J. Lister Major
In O/C F.F. Records

Station 12 JAN 1917 19
 Annual Training it will be sufficient to state if "Present," or "Absent," and the year.

Adm. to Pension 24 JAN. 1917
 Rank Corporal Regimental No. 1590
 Name Rowland Evans
 Regiment King's Shropshire Light Infantry 4th Bn.
 Date of Discharge 30-1-17 T.F.
 Age on commencement of Pension 22
 Trade Printer
 Address 44 Albert Rd, Bawcote, N. Wales.
 Character Very good Badges 4
 Medals —
 Place of Birth Wrexham.

Chelsea Number } 109275
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Pension District
 BOARD'S DECISION (Pension per week) 22/-
6 c 9 B.

Children's Allowance per week

Names of Children	Dates of Birth of Children
<u>Single</u>	

Separation Allowance paid to

Service	Former Corps	Class for Pension.						Total
		WL	I.	II.	III.	IV.	V.	
<u>44</u>	<u>Enl</u>							

Foreign Service

	V.	M.	P.	S.
India				
France				
Mediterranean Expeditionary Force				
Egypt				
South Africa				

G.W. Hong Kong.

Date of Enlistment 26-4-12
 Date of Mobilization 5-8-16

A.F. D400 and D455 issued.
23.1.1917

Cause of Discharge Medically unfit
 Report of Medical Board (dated 20-10-16) Tubercle of Lung

TOTAL
DISAB. MENT

Originated 1916 at Hong Kong. Caused by infection with T.B. predisposed to the danger of infection by constitutional weakness as there is apparently a history of consumption. State his father died of consumption. Signs of tubercular disease in both upper lobes, consolidation at both apices with cavitation also in left upper lobe. Has had some haemoptysis during the last two days. Numerous T.B. are present in sputum. Present weight 10st 3lb in hospital clothes said to have been 11st about a month ago. Not results of military service? not stated whether aggravated. Permanent. Total.

Man died 2. 3. 17. (for Dr's opinion P.S.O.)

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No. 1590 Name Samuel Francis Rowland Evans

MILITARY HISTORY SHEET.

1. Service.

Place	From	To	Years	Days
Home	26. 4. 12	28. 10. 14	2	186
India	29. 12. 14	15. 3. 15		138
Hongkong	18. 3. 15	4. 1. 17	1	275
Home	5. 1. 17	20. 1. 17	0	26
			4	280

Initials of Officer making the entry

2. Passed classes of Instruction†

† This includes any authorized class of instruction

3. Campaigns (including actions)

Singapore operations against Mutineers Feb-March 1915

4. Wounded

5. Effects of wounds

6. Special instances of gallant conduct and mentions in public dispatches

7. Medals, decorations and annuities

8. Injuries in or by the Service

9. Name and address of next of kin

Mother, Mrs. Evans
72 A. Albert Road
Dorset.

W. C. S.

CENSUS OF ENGLAND AND WALES, 1911.

Before writing on this Schedule please read the Instructions and the Examples given on the other side of the paper, as well as the headings of the Columns. The entries should be written in Ink.

The contents of the Schedule will be treated as confidential. Strict care will be taken that no information is disclosed with regard to individual persons. The returns are not to be used for proof of age, or in connection with Old Age Pensions, or for any other purpose than the preparation of Statistical Tables.

NAME AND SURNAME of every Person, whether Member of Family, Visitor, Boarder, or Servant, who	RELATIONSHIP to Head of Family	AGE (Date of Birth and Sex)		PARTICULARS AS TO MARRIAGE		PROFESSION OR OCCUPATION of Persons aged ten years and upwards		BIRTHPLACE of every person.	NATIONALITY of every Person born in a Foreign Country.	DEFERMENT.
		For Infants under one year state the age in months as under one month, "one month," etc.	Write "Single," "Married," "Widowed," or "Widow," opposite the names of all persons aged 15 years and upwards.	State, for each Married Woman entered on this Schedule, the number of— Children born alive to present Marriage. (If no children born alive write "None" in Column 7.) Total Children Living Born Alive.	Personal Occupation.	Industry or Service with which worker is connected.	Whether Employed, Worker, or Working on Own Account.			
1. James Evans	Head	41	Widow	5	4	1	Produce Dealer	Denbigh, Denbighshire	English	
2. Portland Evans	Son	17	Single	2	2	0	Knives, Birmingham	Birmingham, Warwickshire	English	
3. Agnes Eliza Evans	Son	14	Single	2	2	0	at School, 290	Worcester, Worcestershire	English	
4. John William Evans	Son	12	Single	2	2	0	at School, 290	Worcester, Worcestershire	English	
5. Rhoda Jean Evans	Son	7	Single	2	2	0	at School	Worcester, Worcestershire	English	
6. Yvonne Lewis	Boarder	19	Married	2	2	4	at School	London, Middlesex	English	
7. James Rogers	Visitor	68	Single	2	2	0	at School	London, Middlesex	English	
8.										
9.										
10.										
11.										
12.										
13.										
14.										
15.										

(To be filled up by the Enumerator.)

I certify that on this Schedule are entered in the proper columns:
 (1) every person in the household on the night of Sunday, April 2nd, 1911, in this dwelling and in the dwelling of every person who was alive at midnight, or arrived in this dwelling on the morning of Monday, April 3rd, not having been enumerated elsewhere.
 No one else must be included.
 (For order of entering names see Examples on back of Schedule.)

(To be filled up by the Enumerator.)

I declare that this Schedule is correctly filled up to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature: *J. Evans*

Post Office Address: *12, Albert Rd., Denbigh*