# In Memory of
## Private GEORGE HAROLD LOVELOCK
### 24205, 13th Bn., Royal Fusiliers
### Who died, age 23, on 29 May 1917
### Son of George and I. M. Lovelock,
### of Southampton St., Faringdon, Berks.
### Remembered with honour
### Faringdon War Memorial and
## WANCOURT BRITISH CEMETERY



**Commemorated in perpetuity by the Commonwealth War Graves Commission**

Wancourt is a village about 8 km south-east of Arras. Wancourt was captured on 12 April 1917 after very heavy fighting and the advance was continued on the following days.

The cemetery, called at first Cojeul Valley Cemetery, or River Road Cemetery, was opened about ten days later; it was used until October 1918, but was in German hands from March 1918 until 26 August, when the Canadian Corps recaptured Wancourt .

At the Armistice, the cemetery contained 410 graves, but was very greatly increased in the following years when graves were brought in from the following small cemeteries and isolated positions on the battlefields south-east of Arras. Here, on the further side of the ridge between Wancourt and Cherisy, "in a rather broken part of the British front line", 22 British soldiers were buried in April and May, 1917.

The cemetery now contains 1, 936 burials and commemorations of the First World War. 829 of the burials are unidentified but there are special memorials to 76 casualties known or believed to be buried among them, and to 20 who were buried in Signal Trench Cemetery whose graves were destroyed in later battles.

The cemetery was designed by Sir Edwin Lutyens.