CHARLES BENJAMIN WATERS

Private, 11th (Service) Battalion, Royal Warwickshire Regiment, 112th Brigade, 37th Division.

Charles Waters was born at Aston Cantlow in 1891. He signed his name on the Volunteers' Roll of Honour on the Church door in September 1914. He was living in the Square with the Clements family, whose son Leonard also signed up. He had only been in the village for about nine or ten years, having come with his parents and siblings from Aston Cantlow, and apparently stayed on after the rest of the family moved to Hatton before 1911. In the census that year Charles was employed as a domestic groom.

In 1915 he was married in Warwick to Jane Elizabeth Jones from Ledbury, Herefordshire. In the following year they had a daughter named Hilda.

Before joining the Royal Warwickshire Regiment, he had served in the Warwickshire Yeomanry.

He was killed in action on Sunday 29th April 1917 during the Battle of Arleux. He is commemorated on the war memorials at Alderminster, Hatton and St. Pauls Church, Warwick as well as the Ettington memorial.

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