

Charles Tuller Garland

Also at the outbreak of war, Robert Emmet's brother in law, **Charles Tuller Garland** was seeking to help the war effort. Prior to the war, he had founded the Moreton Morrell Tennis Court Club and an article written by Andrew Hamilton on the web site of the club provides information about his life and activities.ⁱ

Both Garland and Emmet had given up their American citizenship at the outbreak of the war. Charles T Garland like Emmet raised a troop of soldiers and they were given drilling in Moreton Morrell. Although the War office did not accept their offer of troops, both men encouraged their men to join up.



Garland who was a fine horseman joined the 2nd Life Guards, a division of the Household Cavalry. The Moreton Morrell Tennis Court Club article describes that he joined as a temporary 2nd Lieutenant on 15 January 1915. He was invalided out of the army due to a heart condition. Perhaps that was immediately fortuitous as the majority of the 2nd Lifeguards were slaughtered at the Battle of Ypres 1915.

No information has been found as to his remaining military career except that the Midland Daily Telegraph reported in September 1918 that he had been adopted as the parliamentary candidate for the discharged soldiers and sailors in Leamington district. It added he was



discharged from the Warwickshire Yeomanry which he had joined as a trooper. Similarly the Stratford Herald reported in his obituary that he had joined as a trooper. However War Office Records show that he was in 1916 a Second Lieutenant with the 2nd Life Guards

Margaret his wife died in 1917 at the early age of 35 and he died of his heart condition in 1921 only 46 years old.

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ⁱ <u>http://www.mmtcc.co.uk/garland.htm</u> (Article about CT Garland written by Andrew Hamilton)