

IAN MOREHOUSE METCALFE was the only son of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Metcalfe, of Kew, and was born at Lee on July 3, 1897.

He entered Crosby in May 1910 and left in 1914.

Soon after the war broke out he enlisted in the Royal Fusiliers (2nd City of London Regiment) and went to Malta in December 1914. From Malta he was brought back to enter Sandhurst, and from Sandhurst he was gazetted to the 3rd Worcestershire Regiment (August 1915), proceeding to France a year later. After serving fifteen months in France he was killed on November 1, 1917, when engaged in a patrol and endeavouring to enter the enemy's trenches.

He was reported through the German Red Cross as buried near Festubert.

His Company Commander wrote: "I shall never be able to replace him: his men absolutely adored him; there was nowhere they would not go with him, so fearless was he."

His rank at the time of his death was Lieutenant.



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