

**O**LIVER FRANCIS RANDES was the second son of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Rands, solicitor, of Northampton. He was born at Northampton on March 22, 1895, and was at school for a time at Stancliffe Hall, Matlock. Coming to Oundle in September 1909, he entered Laxton House.

Leaving in 1913, he went to the Royal School of Mines (Imperial College), London, and had completed two terms there when the war broke out. Joining the 21st (University and Public Schools) Battalion of the Royal Fusiliers in October 1914, he went to France with his battalion in 1916. Later he was transferred to the 8th Battalion of the Royal Fusiliers. He fought in the battle of Monchy-le-Preux on May 3, 1917, when he was reported missing. His death has since been presumed to have occurred on that date.



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