

ALEXANDER JEWELL STANNARD was the only son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Stannard of Southsea, where he was born on August 5, 1891.

He entered Sidney in September 1905 and was at school until December 1908. He belonged to the Cadet Corps and was a keen member of the XV.

Leaving Oundle he passed for Sandhurst but preferred to continue his studies with a view to entering the Indian Police. Prevented by illness from taking the examination, he decided to make the army his profession. After serving a year as 2nd Lieutenant in the R.G.A. Special Reserve of Officers, he obtained his commission and joined the regular army in June 1914. Stationed for a time at Dover, he proceeded to France in September 1915 with a siege battery, with which he remained to the end. In August 1916 he became Captain, and in the early part of 1917 he was gazetted Acting Major. When in command of the Battery Stannard was killed by a shell on August 19, 1917.

An officer wrote: "He was an excellent officer in every way: conscientious, painstaking and thorough, and he endeared himself to us all. His men, I am told, deeply feel his loss also. Your son did his duty to the end."



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