



***Rifleman John Andrew PRIESTLEY***

*6899 3rd Battalion Rifle Brigade*

*Killed in action 11 November 1914 aged 31*

*Buried Boulogne Eastern Cemetery, France Grave III. C. 20*

*Victoria Station War Memorial - Ref. 5C-068*

***Personal History***

*John Andrew PRIESTLEY was born at Blackburn, Lancashire in 1882 the son of George and Mary Ann PRIESTLEY nee THRELFALL who were married 1877 at St. John, Blackpool, Lancashire. His mother died in 1939.*

*In the 1911 census the family were living at 28, Trinity Street, Blackburn, Lancashire,. He was aged 29 with the occupation of Railway Goods Checker.*

*He was a married man. His wife's name was Rose PRIESTLEY (nee GREGORY) They married at Blackburn Register Office or Registrar Attended on 23 March 1905. They had children: Winifred b. 1910*

*Before enlisting he was employed by the Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Company, Chief Goods Managers Dept. at Blackburn as a Checker*

***Service History***

*He enlisted in the Rifle Brigade at Blackwater, Lancashire. and embarked for (Theatre of war not known) on 10 September 1914. His last known address was Blackburn, Lancashire, Anvil Street, 63, (CWGC).*

*He is recorded as Killed in action on 11 November 1914 aged 31*

*He was awarded the Victory Medal, British War Medal & 14 Star*

***Remarks***

*Served as James Barton Alias John Andrew Priestley. Grave Inscription "GONE BUT NOT FORGOTTEN"*

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