

	Name:	<b>2/Lt Leonard BIRTLES 2nd, Durham Light Infantry</b>	
Age			
	Parents:	<b>Henry BIRTLES</b> (born about 1864 in Manchester, LAN, ENG - died 4 Feb 1954 in BELGIUM) and <b>Josephine Sykes ADAM</b> (born about 1867 in Manchester, LAN, ENG - died in 1937 in Surrey)	
23	<b>Life Range</b>	<b>16 Jan 1893-</b>	<b>16 Sep 1916</b>
	Marriage Status:	<b>This person had no relationships and no children</b>	
~-29	<b>Abt 1864</b>	<b>Birth of Father:</b>	Henry BIRTLES (born about 1864 in Manchester, LAN, ENG - died 4 Feb 1954 in BELGIUM). In Manchester, LAN, ENG.
~-26	<b>Abt 1867</b>	<b>Birth of Mother:</b>	Josephine Sykes ADAM (born about 1867 in Manchester, LAN, ENG - died in 1937 in Surrey). In Manchester, LAN, ENG.
0	<b>16 Jan 1893</b>	<b>Birth:</b>	Wandsworth, LDN, ENG.
1	<b>9 Dec 1894</b>	<b>Christening:</b>	Wandsworth All Saints, London.
8	<b>1901</b>	<b>Census:</b>	Wandsworth, LDN, ENG. At 33 Schubert Road: Henry Birtles, 37, Staff Clerk Inland Revenue, born Manchester Josephine S., 34, born Manchester Lilian, 13, born Manchester <b>Leonard</b> , 8, born London Dora, 7, born London Jessie, 2, born London Phyllis, 2 months, born London Annie M. Adams, sister-in-law, 26, born Manchester [Class: RG13; Piece: 481; Folio: 152; Page: 38.]
18	<b>1911</b>	<b>Census:</b>	Wandsworth, LDN, ENG. At 8 Montolien Gardens: Henry Birtles, 47, Civil Servant Deputy Controller of Stamps Inland Revenue, born Manchester Josephine S., 44, (6 children, 5 living), born Manchester Lilian, 23, Actress, born Wandsworth Leonard, 18, School, born Putney Dora, 17, born Putney Jessie, 12, born Putney Phyllis, 10, born Putney (Plus one servant) [RG14PN2446 RG78PN81 RD26 SD8 ED15 SN278]
22	<b>18 Mar 1915</b>	<b>Overseas:</b>	France.
23	<b>16 Sep 1916</b>	<b>Death:</b>	France. Killed in Action
		<b>Burial:</b>	Buried about 800 yards South East of Ginchy Church. Commemorated Thiepval Memorial.
		<b>Next of Kin:</b>	Father. H. [Henry] Birtles 8 Montolien Gardens Putney, SW
		<b>Personal File:</b>	339/57205.
		<b>Prior Service:</b>	Pvte 2101, 1/15th London. <b>NOTE:</b> His attestation papers etc are filed in the WWI Pension Records (on Ancestry.com, surnames BIR, starting document 20376, 7 pages)
		<b>Siblings:</b>	Only Son; Four Sisters. Lilian (born 1889 Manchester?) an actress, married Sir Gerard Maxwell-Willshire in Victoria, AUS about 1912, they divorced 1923

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Dora (baptised privately 15 Feb 1894, Wandsworth All Saints), married George Leslie PARGETER DFC, late Lt Royal Air Force (Managing Director Pargeter & Harvey) at Putney St Margaret on 1 June 1920, her father was a witness.

Jessie (baptised 5 Oct 1898, Clapham Park St Stephen) married Captain Eric Jeffervat (Jeffcoat?), Smith MC, a Stockbroker, on 15 May 1920 at Putney St Margaret, her father was a witness; their son Leonard Gordon Jeffcoat Smith, Sergeant (Pilot) Royal Air Force was killed 29 February 1940, age 18.

Phylis (baptised 9 June 1901, Clapham Park St Stephen), married Captain John Espden Falconer Paton, Royal Corps of Signals on 5 March 1927, St John's Putney; her husband became a Lieut-Colonel and was awarded an OBE.

[A brother Henry Noel Birtles was born 1892 but died in infancy]

**School:**

Hurst Lodge School, East Putney  
Merchant Taylors (sic) School; from 1906  
Wrens and Journey (?) [see service record]

**Father's Occupation:** Civil Service.

**Other Serving Relatives:** Cousins.  
Major B.F. Sykes, Inspector RFA, served in South Africa;  
Stanley Sykes, RN, (Paymaster?) HMS Albatross  
[See Birtle's Service Record]

**CWGC Register:** Son of Henry and Josephine Sykes Birtles, of 8, Montolieu Gardens, Putney, London.

**Probate:** Father. £2079.

General Notes:  
RMC Cadet  
Sat for Indian Police Exam June 1913  
Left a £16 officer's mess account that his father settled