

In Memory of  
Lance Corporal

# Ivan John Morello

5351, 13th Bn., Royal Fusiliers who died on 15 April 1918

Son of John and Amy Morello, of "Bollin Brae", Park Rd., Hale, Cheshire.

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**Pozieres Memorial**



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## **Lance Corporal Ivan John Morello**

### **13<sup>th</sup> Battalion, Royal Fusiliers, City of London Regiment**

Died: 15 April 1918      Age: 21

How Died: Killed in Action

Country of burial: France

Cemetery or Memorial: Pozieres Memorial, Ovillers-la-Boiselle, Somme

Town Memorial: Hale

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#### **Extra Information:**

Born during the June quarter 1896 in the Chorlton R.D. - ref: 8c/876, the son of John & Amy Morello (nee Davies).

1901 Census - 6 April Street, Chorlton on Medlock, Manchester.    Son (listed as John Morello) - aged: 4 - born: Manchester.    Head of household - John Morello - Married - aged: 33 - occ: Foreign Correspondent - born: Gibraltar.    Also - Amy Morello - Wife - aged: 26 - born: Macclesfield, Cheshire.    Plus 2 sisters.

1911 Census - 53 Scarsdale Road, Victoria Park, Manchester.    Son (listed as Ivan Morello) - aged: 15 - Scholar - born: Manchester.    Head of household - Amy Morello - Wife - aged: 36 - born: Cheshire.    Plus 4 siblings and Amy's mother who was visiting.    Ivan's father was not at home that night.

Employed by J.F. & H. Roberts Ltd, Portland St, Manchester.

MIC - states that he served with the 20th Bn Royal Fusiliers.    Posted to France on the 15th November 1915.

Enlisted in the Public Schools Bn Royal Fusiliers in November 1914 and was drafted to the front in November 1915.    The Bn played a prominent part in the attack on High Wood on the Somme in July 1916.    He was one of only a few that were left from the Bn to answer the roll call.

He was wounded by shrapnel soon after and following his recovery, he was transferred to another Bn.    He was later killed by a shell burst.

His death was reported in the 30/04/1918 edition of the Altrincham Guardian.

Commemorated on the private family gravestone in Hale Cemetery, which also states that he was in the 20th Bn.

The 20th Bn Royal Fusiliers was known as the Public Schools Battalion. The only reference to Ivan serving with the 13th Bn is from the CWGC. Listed as being in the 20th Bn on the Hale United Reform Church Memorial.

Post War his parents resided at "Bollin Brae", Park Road, Hale.

His father, John died 25/01/1933 aged 65 years and his mother, Amy died 13/11/1949 aged 75 years.

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**Memorials found on:**

Altrincham United Reformed Church, Hale

Altrincham & District Roll of Honour